Modes of Writing

Descriptive

- Using My 5 Senses
- Painting Word Pictures
- Using Similes
- Using Metaphors
- Using Examples
- Using Anecdotes

Narrative

Story Narrative

- Title
- Character
- Setting
- Problem
- Solution
- Beginning
- Middle
- End

Personal Narrative

- Tells about self
- Based on real life experiences
- Structured in terms of beginning, middle, end
- Uses I, me, my
- Shows feeling
- Can use humor
- Like Story Narrative can have setting, problem, and solution

Expository

Research Report

- Written about a topic of interest to writer
- Answers research questions about the topic
- Organized into paragraphs
- Each paragraph has a
- main idea related to research questions

How To

- Tells how to do or make something
- Gives list of materials needed
- Gives directions in order
- Uses time order words, such as first, next, etc.

Persuasive

Letter or Essay

- Gives writer's opinions on a topic
- Gives at least 3 reasons for opinion
- Explains why reasons are good ones
- Asks reader to agree with writer