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| "Writers write every day and talk about their writing."  Students will write for a short period of time and have an opportunity to talk about it.                  | "Writer's choose to write about many things."  Show video of well-known author's talking about how they get ideas: www.nbclearn.com/portal/site/learn/writers-speak-to-kids       | "Writers come to the carpet with their writing materials prepared to listen and participate in a mini lesson."  T-chart: Going to the Rug "Looks Like/ Sounds Like" | "Writers share ideas and "buzz" to rehearse/ plan their writing."  Students practice buzzing effectively—using low volume voices to communicate which makes a buzzing or humming sound. Anchor Chart: How to Buzz | "Writer's use a special notebook for gathering ideas."  Prior to the start of school, students were asked to choose a special notebook. They will use this time to personalize their notebooks |
| "How do authors use their notebooks?"  Students practice using their writer's notebooks to record observations about the world around them while on a nature walk. | "Writers read their writing like gold."  Show Calkins video clip at Youtube.com/watch?v=W O29k1-RvsA Students re-read observations/writer's notebook with appreciation for voice. | "Writers have a job to do while in a conference."  Share a piece of mentor writing (underline what you are working on).  Share and explain conference sheet.        | "Writers have responsibilities in the workshop."  Anchor Chart: Teacher/ Student Responsibilities:  • Write every day  • Confer w/ peers  • Gather ideas Listen and share   | "Writers gather seeds in their writer's notebooks."  Students begin to develop "seeds" to grow into stories in their writer's notebooks.  *create an anchor chart listing ideas                |

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| "Writers plan their writing."  Anchor chart: planning a narrative—our first day of school.  | "Writers draft their writing on drafting paper."  Anchor chart list: -one side of the paper -skip every other line -not focused on spelling | "Writers organize their writing work."  Students learn to organize their folders into "ongoing" and "completed" pieces. | "Writers revise their writing."  Anchor chart: "Revising—the BIG stuff"  | "Writers revise their writing."  Students practice revising and share with a partner   |
| "Writers edit their writing."  Anchor chart continued: "Editing—the small stuff"  | "Writers edit their writing."  Writers practice editing and share with a partner.   | 10 "Writers reflect."  Students understand that writers recognize their strengths and set goals for future practice.    | "Writers publish their work."  Students learn that writers publish their work at regular intervals, but they do not publish everything they write. | "Writers share in a community of thought."  Students learn to articulate strengths of a piece to an audience   |
| "Writers re-read their writer's notebooks to expand or develop new pieces."  Students learn that finishing one piece means starting a new one.                                      | "Writers stand on the shoulders of authors to refine their craft."  -Mentor texts -Author websites -Author studies                          | Understanding a small moment story  Read Donald Cruz's Big Momma's  | Understanding a small moment story  Read Donald Cruz's The Short Cut   | Understanding a small moment story  Venn Diagram to show the similarities and differences in the mentor texts (The Shortcut is about a small moment during a summer at Big Momma's house). |
| Understanding a small moment story Children share what they noticed about the two stories as we create an anchor chart showing hoe Cruz stretched the small moment of The Short Cut | Review generating ideas   | 24<br>Review planning   | Planning a small moment  Anchor chart a list of student generated possible topics.   | These three days are left open to review necessary strategies  |