

GRADE 8 WRITING

PROMPT No. 8706

You have been given the task to choose a guest speaker for your class. Write about whom you would choose and why.

CHECKLIST FOR WRITERS

- _____ I planned my paper before writing it.

- _____ I revised my paper to be sure that
 - _____ the introduction captures the reader's attention;
 - _____ the central idea is supported with specific information and examples that will be interesting to the reader;
 - _____ the content relates to my central idea;
 - _____ ideas are organized in a logical manner;
 - _____ my sentences are varied in length;
 - _____ my sentences are varied in the way that they begin; and
 - _____ the conclusion brings my ideas together.

- _____ I edited my paper to be sure that
 - _____ correct grammar is used;
 - _____ words are capitalized when appropriate;
 - _____ sentences are punctuated correctly;
 - _____ words are spelled correctly; and
 - _____ paragraphs are clearly indicated.

- _____ I checked my paper.