

Building Foundations That Last

First Grade Narrative Modeled Writing Plan

Date: April

Quarterly Benchmark: Quarter 4

Standards & Curriculum Connection:

1.W.3 – Narrative Writing

Reach – Unit 7 – Then and Now

Vocabulary – past, easier, music, now, then

Grammar – Past tense verbs

Phonics – /ar/, /ear/

High Frequency Words – Green Card Words

Benchmark Focus

Process:

- Uses words and phrases in plan
- Adds on or takes away from piece

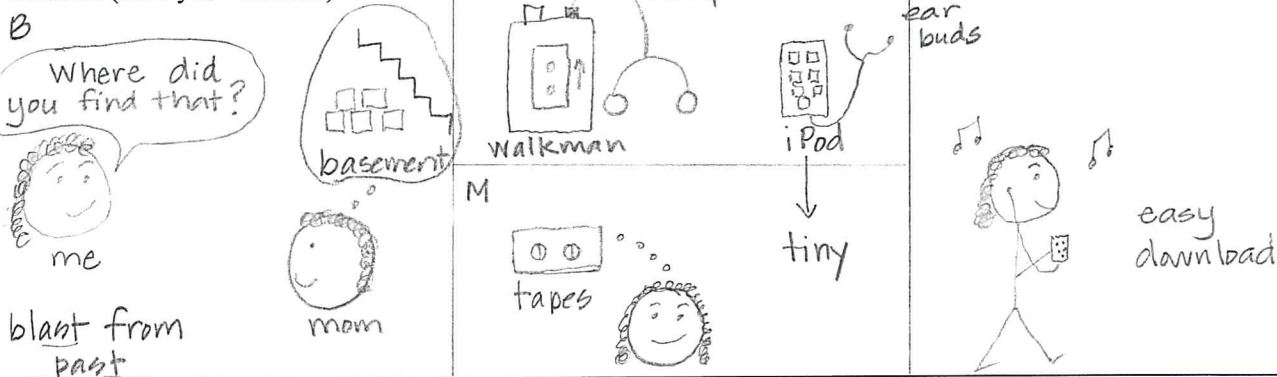
Surface Features:

- 6 – 8 sentences
- Contains correctly spelled “Green Card words and environmental print
- Capitalizes beginning of sentences, pronoun “I” and proper nouns

Content

- Writes with increasing details in the middle
- Writing is organized
- Use descriptive words
- Uses dialogue in piece

Sketch (what you will draw)



The Story

Background Story: Review big question – *What’s the difference between then and now?* I was with my mom this weekend at the house where I grew up. She helped me remember a difference between when I was growing up (then) and now. (Have Walkman, headphones and tape ready to show students during the middle of the story for reference.)

(B) – Focus on character, setting, dialogue and descriptive language

- “Where did you find that?”
- Blast from past

(M) – Focus on event

- Mom cleaning out basement
- Found Walkman (show students)

(M) – Focus on details and elaboration

- Compared size - Walkman and tiny iPod
- Remembered homemade tapes
- Improved technology

(E) – Focus on emotion

- Easier now – download songs
- Couldn’t imagine (amazed) – difference between then and now

The Sentences (key sentences you will write)

“Where did you find that?” I exclaimed.

What a blast from the past!

While cleaning out the basement, mom had ~~found~~ my old Walkman.
(discovered)

I compared the size of the old music player and headphones to my tiny iPod and ear buds.

I ~~remembered~~ listening to the homemade tapes we used to make.
(reminisced about)

What a difference a few years of technology can make.

It sure is easier to download a song now, I thought!

I never would have imagined the change between then and now.