

VIRTUAL CAREER DAY:

Author

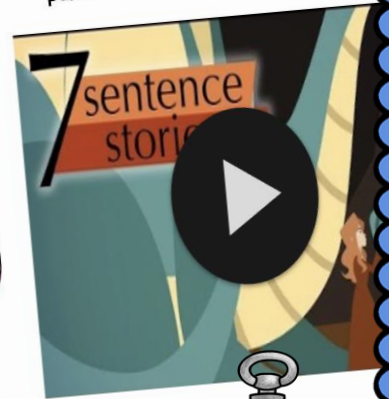


7-SENTENCE STORIES

Watch the video to follow along with published author's 7-sentence story

Anyone can be an author - no matter how old or young they are! Some people as young as 4 have published books, and some people as old as 93 have too! Publishing a book, however, is not necessary to become an author.

Many authors write both long and short stories. It's amazing how a big story can fit into just a few sentences (or even words).



Middle Grades



Interdisciplinary

TALKING POINTS!

As you conclude the talking points, collect checkmarks to check off each item on the list. Use cut (Ctrl+X) and paste (Ctrl+V) to place each one in the correct box.

1. ☐ What Is an Author?
2. ☐ Author Inspiration
3. ☐ Writing Styles and Genres
4. ☐ The Writing Process
5. ☐ Author Awards
6. ☐ 7-sentence Story



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Integrates Reading

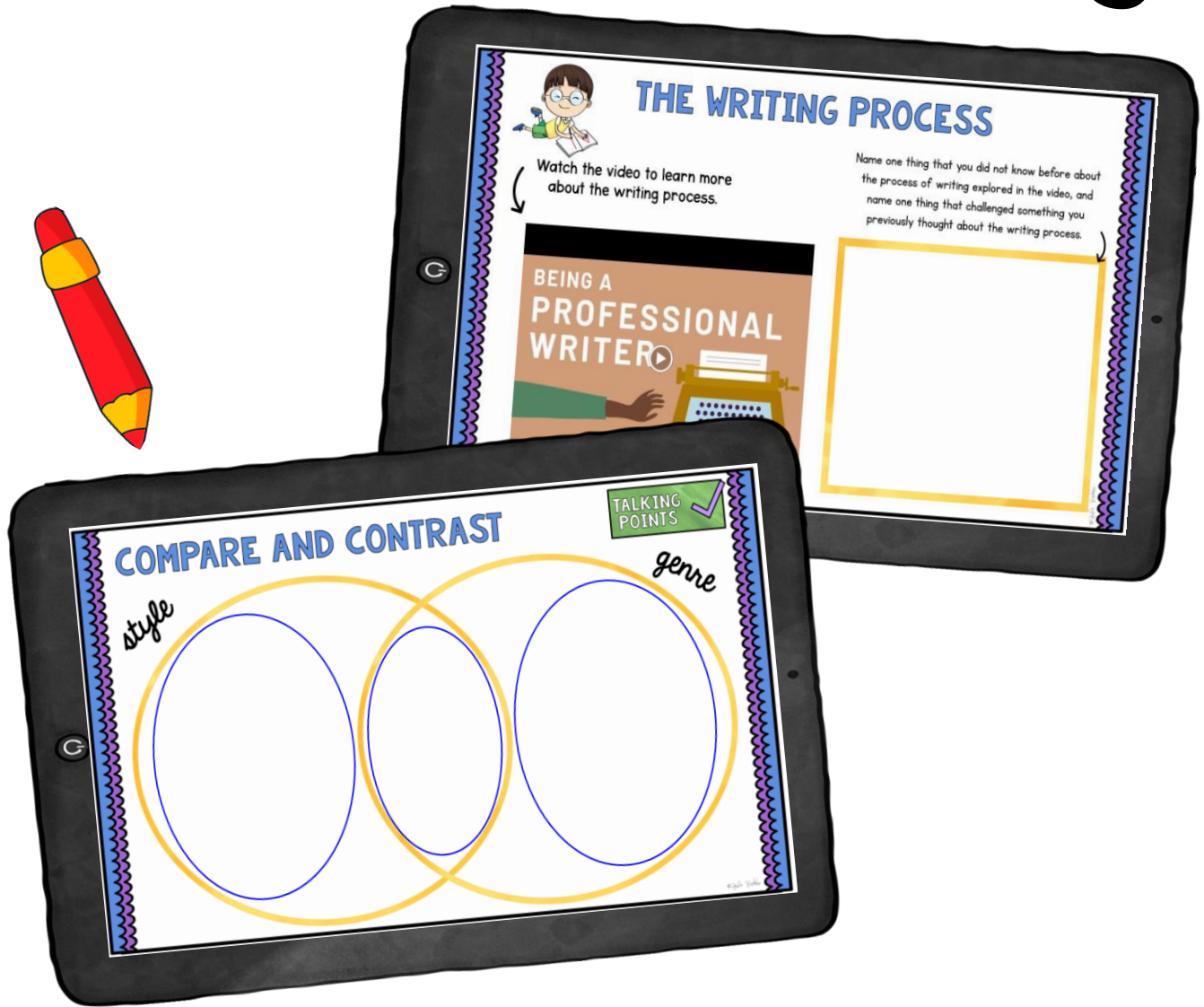
WHAT IS AN AUTHOR?

An author is someone who creates pieces of writing. These works may entertain, inform, or persuade readers. There are many types of authors. Some authors are novelists. They write books to share stories with readers. Other authors are journalists or nonfiction writers. They write about important events and topics. Authors can also be playwrights or screenwriters. They compose scripts for actors to perform. Poets and songwriters are authors who use language in interesting ways. They create unique and sometimes emotional reading and listening experiences. Copywriters are authors who often work in business or advertising. They organize words in ways that convince consumers to buy products and services.

A person may decide to be any of these types of authors. All authors wishing to be published and get paid for their work, however, must write well. Their grammar, spelling, and punctuation should follow the language rules. Occasionally, authors break these rules for creative reasons, but they are careful to do so only when necessary. Communication is at the heart of everything authors compose. They spend time making sure their words are clear and their meanings are understandable.



Critical Thinking



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Writing

YOUR 7-SENTENCE STORY

TALK
POINT

Use the space to write your own 7-sentence story. If you need inspiration, try one of the inspiration tips from the book.
Share your 7-sentence story with your peers and remember that it can be a work in progress. Have fun!

A large rectangular area with horizontal lines for writing a 7-sentence story. The area is framed by a purple border. On the left side of the writing area, there is a decorative vertical border with a wavy, scalloped pattern in blue and purple. The writing area itself is filled with light blue horizontal lines on a white background.