

Creative Writing

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WHY CREATIVE WRITING?

Creative writing encourages children to express their thoughts, feelings, and ideas in a safe and supportive environment. By engaging in creative writing, children develop important skills such as:

- **Confidence** in their ability to express themselves
- **Communication** skills, both written and verbal
- **Critical thinking** and problem-solving skills
- **Creativity** and imagination

KEY LEARNING OUTCOMES

Through structured and enjoyable creative writing activities, children aged 3 to 6 can become confident writers. Here are the specific learning outcomes we aim to achieve:

- **Self-expression:** Enable children to convey their thoughts and emotions through writing.
- **Language development:** Enhance vocabulary and understanding of grammar.
- **Narrative skills:** Help children understand story structure, including beginnings, middles, and endings.
- **Fine motor skills:** Improve handwriting and coordination through regular writing practice.

ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS (for Casa)

1. Story Starters

Using real life experiences, children will get a chance to write about their favourite holiday, family date, celebration, or trip.

2. Picture Prompts

Show children a picture and ask them to write a story about what they see. Choose images that are vibrant and full of potential narrative paths like a bustling market or a serene garden.

How it helps: Visual stimuli can help children generate ideas and expand their descriptive vocabulary.

3. Create Your Own Book

Provide children with blank booklets where they can write and illustrate their own stories. Encourage them to share their books with peers or family members.

How it helps: This activity combines writing with art, reinforcing the connection between words and images.

4. Group Storytelling

Have children sit in a circle and take turns adding a sentence to a collaborative story. Write down the story as they go along, and read it back to them at the end.

How it helps: This activity fosters teamwork and shows children the power of collective imagination.

5. Character Profiles

Ask children to create profiles for characters they want to write about. They can include details such as the character's name, age, favorite activities, and a fun fact.

How it helps: Developing characters helps children understand the importance of detail and backstory in storytelling.

6. Publishing a Book as a Class

Casa children will get to combine their stories to create a big book and share with the whole school and their families at our book fair. The whole class will decide how they want to use their profits from their book.

CONCLUSION

Encouraging children aged 3 to 6 to engage in creative writing activities can lay the groundwork for strong communication skills and a lifelong love of storytelling. By integrating these fun and educational activities into their routine, we can help them become confident writers and imaginative thinkers.