

INSPIRED YOUTH WRITING: LEARNING INTERESTING THINGS

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Christian, 3rd gr.

I go to Engineering. Engineering is interesting because I get to learn a lot of science. And I get to do things that I'd never tried. Also we do a lot of projects. Me and my teammates did the beam bridge. And me and my teammates are going to clean water. Also we watched all of the scariest bridges to walk on.

Kallio, 9th gr.

Three of my subjects are science, gym, and math. I really like and enjoy these subjects because I like how they can change the ways I think and how I can do something. In science you can also change the outcome of an experiment. In gym you can do different things to stay in shape. In math I can always find out how much I would need, or I can find out what percent would give me the amount I need. That's why I love my three subjects. Even though I like and enjoy these three subjects, I would love to increase my reading for the better.

Phyllis, 2nd gr.

Math. I learned subtraction in school. I learned how to make fractions in school. The games in math are fun. I want to learn division.

Reading. Reading is my favorite activity. I learned how to read Junie B. Jones. I want to learn how to read the Bible.

Gym. I exercise in gym class I want to play bridge tag.

Jaritzi, 6th gr.

My first favorite subject is math because it shows you how to do it. Of course, I'm kind of good, but I really need help in ratios. We learned about multiplication, division, and ratios. They are really hard to do, especially mostly ratios.

My second subject is science. It shows you and tells you about bones, planets, and more. My assignment was easy because we only had to find information in our iPads. The planets assignment was hard because you have to put a lot of information in our presentation.

My third subject is social studies. They teach me about hominids and wars. It was kind of hard because it didn't show a lot of information in the book. Social studies is kind of boring because you have to read a lot of books to find information.

Jaely, 6th gr.

In math we are learning percent. Also we are learning about whole and part of a whole. Math is interesting because the teacher gives us treats and that is why math is better.

In social studies we are learning about Egyptian people. Social studies is interesting because we can learn about early people.

In gym we are learning about basketball and running. Gym is interesting because it has my favorite sport to play.

I will like to learn more about early people.

Judit, 7th gr.

My three favorite subjects in school are reading writing, and math. The reason why I like reading is because I like reading books. However, I also like writing because we write poems which rhyme. I also like math because I like how we learn different things every day. The thing that I want to learn this year is math because I'm trying to learn and get good grades.

Ana, 6th gr.

Science—Mr. Rodriguez is funny. I learned about birds' beaks.

History—We do projects of Sumer and the Mesopotamia, about the irrigation system. We got to use our own ideas.

Learning labs—We get to go to a reading class and in the end of the day we play games.

Tania, 2nd gr.

Science: We are learning about air and weather.

Math: We are learning about counting to 100, counting by twos, and adding.

Writing: We are learning how to write difficult words like elephant, seal, and tigers.

I want to learn about cats, tigers, experiments, and times.

Valerie, 6th gr.

My favorite subjects are reading, social studies and science. I like all of these subjects because it's so fun and not boring. I like learning reading because you get to read all the books you want. I would like to learn reading hard words. In social studies, I like to learn about the past. I would like to see in the past. I like my teacher. In science I am learning about pedigree. I like science because we do experiments. I would like to learn about volcanoes.

Frankie, 4th gr.

I like math, reading, and writing. In math I learned how to divide and multiply with bigger numbers. In reading I learned how to answer questions and how to restate each question. What makes the subjects interesting is that I can learn so many things, and you will be smart, and over the year I would like to learn long division.

Fidel, 3rd gr.

In my school there is math, science, and reading. Times tables is what I learn in math. In science I learn experiments and water experiments. In reading I read stories and I have fun. They're interesting because we need to learn. 7

Itzel, 2nd gr.

My favorite subjects at school are math, reading, and writing. In math I learn subtraction, addition, and counting. In reading I learn words and reading. In writing I learn to write words. I like these subjects because they are hard. This year I want to learn more math.

Katie, 2nd gr.

My favorite subject is writing. It is fun to write about my day, and things that happen or are going to happen. That is my story about school.

I would like to learn about lots of music.

Lucia, 3rd gr.

In math I am learning about times, and how to do arrays. They are interesting because we do projects about them. We also learn: how to round. It is interesting because sometimes we play games on the computer. I want to learn how to multiply and divide.

In science we are learning about the water cycle, about evaporation and condensation, how water gets to be a cloud, and we are learning about how water travels around the world. It makes it interesting because you play with water, and I drink it all the time. I want to learn if whales and squids fight.

Jennifer R., 5th gr.

My subjects at school are math, science, and history. The reason that I like these subjects is because they make me feel fore interested in them.

Math I can understand it easy. And when I am out for my therapy it is easy to catch up.

Science I like science because we do experiments. My teacher makes it fun for the kids, even though some of the kids don't like science.

History I like history because we do acting about what we learn, and we learn what happened before we were born.

I would like to learn how Chicago was born, and then learn more science experiments, more math, and more reading.

Dioselyn, 4th gr.

Science is my favorite subject. We make chemicals. I like making chemicals when it bubbles. We learn about social studies. It's about continents and oceans. I like to learn more in social studies. I would like to learn about computers because I like typing ion them.

Melissa, 6th gr.

The three subjects I like from school are math, history, and science. The two things I like about math are that that the teacher is helpful, and I like doing homework. The two things I like about history are that we learn about different countries. Also the teacher gives us easy tests. The two things I like about science are that we do science projects. I also like it because we dissect little animals.

During the year I would like to learn more about division.

Jose, 6th

One of the three subjects is history. What I learn in history is about the past. What makes it interesting is that we study about people that didn't have computers and cell phones. Another subject is gym because we play games. Another is history. A few more things that we're learning is about logos in the past. Another thing that I learned is math. We work together and do ratios challenge.

Roberto, 6th gr.

For social studies we're learning about four empires, the Acadian, Babylonian, Assyrian, and Neo-Babylonian. It's interesting because there was war between them. And we also learned about neolithic and Paleolithic. We want to learn about Sparta.

For art we're learning to sketch objects without tracing. We're learning to draw our names in 3-dimensional shapes. When our names are in 3D they look cool. I'm excited about everything we're going to do.

For science we're learning about our bodies, and we're also doing a project on physical science. It makes it interesting because you learn more stuff about your body. I would like to learn about animals.

Keyde, 4th gr.

Subject Number 1, Computer; sundog.com I am learning about Sundog.com. It is about math. We play math games. They are really fun. In computer I want to learn multiplication and division.

Subject Number 2, Science Project. I am learning about science projects. We make rivers from water.

Subject Number 3, Drama: Acting. Drama is acting. Drama is fun! Monday is drama day. Drama is cool.

Christopher, 6th gr.

Some of the things I'm interested about this year are science because this year we are going to have our first science fair. My project is testing how leaves or turnips grow under the effect of gravity, so maybe when they start sprouting I will turn them.

We are learning about the empire and the Persians. Social studies is interesting for me because you get to learn about your past and your ancestors. One thing I want to learn about this year is the continents and how Asia started.

In reading we are reading Percy Jackson, and we are learning the context clues, prefixes and *Storytown*. What makes it interesting is that when you're reading it always leaves at cliffhangers, and you can't wait for the next chapter to find out what happens next.

Armando, 7th gr.

Reading: How to read more to be a good reader. To get teachers to know me more.

Math: Add more numbers and working hard to get A's. To get a lot of work done.

Gym: Playing more and not being bad in school and be good at everything. To be on sports teams.

Work more to get homework done to play games with my brothers.

Litzi, 4th gr.

Gym: Something interesting that I'm learning in gym is how to relax doing exercises. Something else is how to play games while doing exercise. What makes them interesting is that you can relax. Also, I never knew you can play games while doing exercise. What I would like to learn during the year is how to do different types of exercises.

Math: Something interesting that I am learning in math is how to divide and multiply. What makes them interesting is that I actually realized that division is actually easy. So is multiplying. What I would still like to learn is how to divide and multiply bigger numbers.

Reading: What I am learning is about biography. And we had to do a project about biography. Another thing I am learning about is fairy tales, and we read a cool book about fairy tales. What makes them interesting is that some of them make us have feelings. What I would like to learn during the year is more about the authors.

Kimora, 2nd gr.

Math is hard. Computers are fun because I get to play games. I like gym because I get to race my classmates. I am the fastest in my class. Engineering is fun because my class built stuff.

Jeffrey, 1st gr.

In math I learned adding. In writing I wrote sentences.

In math we are learning multiplication and division. I like Ms. Nynen. I want to learn how to divide with big numbers.

In science we are learning about earth and water. It is interesting because we are learning about corees. I would like to learn about weather.

We are learning how to draw a squirrel in art. I like it because we use different colors. I want to draw a bird.

Josephine, 7th gr.

My favorite subjects in school are reading, writing, and math.

In math I am learning about integers. In reading we are reading a book called *Seedfolks*. It's a cool story. In writing class we do current events about what happens in Chicago, or something that's important.

For reading, I want to learn how Chicago was before. For writing I want to write something based on the book. Last, for math I want to learn how to do model drawing.

Guadalupe E., 4th gr.

My favorite subjects are science, social studies, and drama. In science I am learning about magnets and how they attract and repel. In social studies we are learning the states and capitals of the United States, and we are also learning landforms as we go. In drama we are doing poetry and word color.

Magnets are interesting because it is just like magic. Learning the landforms and capitals is fun because there is a "Guadalupe Peak" and a "Guadalupe River," and capitals because we can learn them all with a song called, "Tour the States." Poetry and word color is fun because in poetry I have a script called "Grasshoppers," and I can add movement and word color. Word color is interesting because we can add expression to the word, like "mad," you could stomp and make your voice into a mad voice.

In science I would like to learn more awesome tricks with magnets. In social studies I would like to learn all my states and capitals and memorize the states and capitals. In drama I would like to become a better actor and memorize my script.

Jovanny, 6th gr.

One thing that I ma learning is ratios in math. It is interesting because we have seen ratios and we have never noticed it before. I want to learn about Geometry.

In history I'm learning about Egypt, Pharaohs, and mummies. They preserve the mummies by taking everything out of their body but they don't take out the heart. This year I want to learn about King Tut.

In science I'm learning about fossils and the Galapagos Islands. In science I want to learn about space and asteroids.

Princess, 1st gr.

One subject we do in my class is Go Math. It teaches you a lot of math! Another is *Storytown Practice Book* and a *Foundations Writing Journal*.