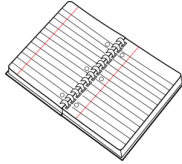




# Family Writing Connections

## Grade 3 Unit 2: The Art of Information Writing



### Overview:

This unit builds upon the skills students have learned as writers of information in 2nd grade. Students will learn to write introductions, organize information, and include text features that help their readers. Students will also learn many different ways to elaborate on their topics through the use of facts, definitions, and other important details, as well as the use of descriptions and anecdotes. There is an extensive amount of time spent teaching students various strategies for planning, revising, and editing.

### In this unit, Students will:

- **Become** experts on an informational topic
- **Organize** information to assist in the writing process
- **Use** transitions to make connections within and across chapters
- **Research** topics to fact check
- **Elaborate** on familiar topics by completing additional research
- **Clarify** writing by revising and editing
- **Organize** writing into paragraphs
- **Transfer** knowledge from longer research projects and apply it to

shorter ones

- **Publish** an informational piece of writing that can teach others about a topic

### Ways to help at home:

- Have your child write directions for how to do something.
- Research a topic and collect facts.
- Organize facts into groups.
- Create a word wall at home by collecting new and interesting words.
- Create a brochure about a place you have visited.
- Write a speech on a topic of interest.

### See attached Writing Rubric and Exemplars for this Unit:

- Third Grade Information Writing Checklist
- Exemplar: *Bulldogs*

### New Jersey Student Learning

**Standards (NJSL):** Please refer to Morris School District Rubicon Atlas Website to view standards specific to this unit.

