

# Creative Writing Prompts # 1

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1. Your character thinks he/she is good at something, but he/she isn't. Something happens that makes your character realize this. What? What does your character do about it? Write the story.
2. If only he hadn't dropped that lottery ticket...
3. Parents come home from a trip and discover that their teenager has redecorated the house while they were gone. The teenager tries to convince the parents that this was a good idea. One of the parents is partially convinced; the other one isn't. Write the conversation.
4. On your birthday, a strange-looking lady came to your door and handed you a wrapped present. You rattled it. It made a noise. Write a story about this present.

5. Write this story.



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1. Choose List 1, 2, or 3. Write a story that uses all of the words.

**List 1:** *brick, alley, broom, kittens, nervous, window, slam*

**List 2:** *red, swing, squeak, envelope, gust, photo, exhilarating*

**List 3:** *forest, jeep, gate, key, blue, rickety, wild*

2. Imagine that you are an astronaut who has been doing research on the moon for three years. You are due to go back to earth in a week when nuclear war breaks out on earth. You watch the earth explode. Then what?
3. Choose a traditional fairy tale that you know well. Decide how you will fracture, or mix it up. Write the story.
4. Use the lyrics of a favorite song as the basis for your story.

5. Write this story:



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1. The choice is yours!