The Writing Process

Prewriting

Brainstorm and Organize Ideas

- Think about what you want to say. Then, create a plan to organize your ideas.
- Select key ideas and questions to get you started.

Drafting

Use Ideas to Write a Rough Draft

- Write your ideas in order, and choose one or more to start your writing.
- Use your choices to develop a main idea, supporting details, and the body of your writing.

Revising

Make Changes to Improve Writing

- Rearrange words and sentences to clarify meaning. Be sure to add descriptive words and details.
- Include feedback from peers and/or teachers.

Editing

Proofread and Correct Mistakes

- Check for complete sentences proper spelling, and correct grammar.
- Reread, or have someone else read, your writing to be sure it is interesting and makes sense.

Publishing

Write and Present Final Copy Prepare a final, edited draft of the writing.

Choose a form in which to present your writing, and share it with others.