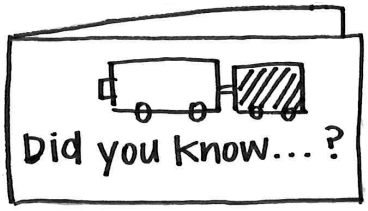
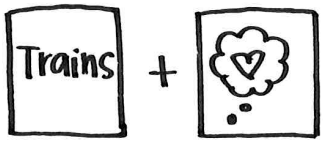
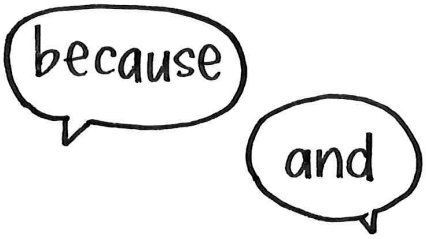
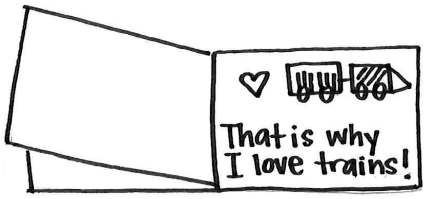
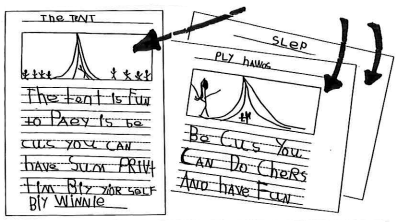
Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Opinion Writing Checklist

Grade 1

STRUCTURE					
Overall	I wrote my opinion or my likes and dislikes and said why.				
	Did I do it like a first grader?		NOT YET	STARTING TO	YES!
Lead		I wrote a beginning in which I got readers' attention.	☐	☐	☐
		I named the topic or text I was writing about and gave my opinion.	☐	☐	☐
Transitions		I said more about my opinion and used words such as *and* and *because*.	☐	☐	☐
Ending		I wrote an ending for my piece.	☐	☐	☐
Organization		I wrote a part where I got readers' attention and a part where I said more.	☐	☐	☐

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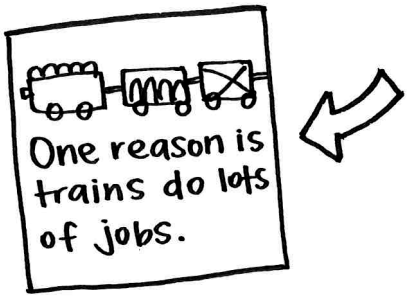
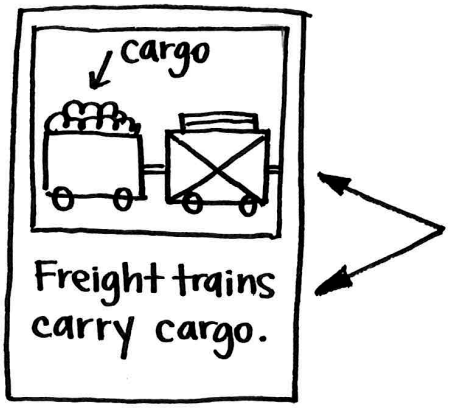
Grade 1					
DEVELOPMENT					
	Did I do it like a first grader?		NOT YET	STARTING TO	YES!
Elaboration		I wrote at least one reason for my opinion.	☐	☐	☐
Craft		I used labels and words to give details.	☐	☐	☐

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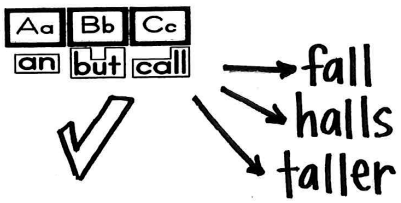
Grade 1					
LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS					
	Did I do it like a first grader?		NOT YET	STARTING TO	YES!
Spelling		I used all I knew about words and chunks of words to help me spell.	☐	☐	☐
		I spelled all the word wall words right and used the word wall to help me spell other words.	☐	☐	☐
Punctuation		I ended sentences with punctuation.	☐	☐	☐
		I used a capital letter for names.	☐	☐	☐
		I used commas in dates and lists.	☐	☐	☐

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