

Prompts for the Elements of Writing



Ideas

What have you decided to write about?
Can you explain your ideas to a friend?
Why did you decide to write this?
Did you say everything that was important?

Organization

Did you make a plan and follow it?
Do you have a beginning and an end?
Do your ideas go together?
Are your ideas in the right order?



Voice

How do you want people to feel
when they read this?
Does this writing sound like it's
you talking?
Will someone be interested in
reading this?



Sentence Fluency

Have you used different kinds of
sentences?
Do your sentences begin in different
ways?
When you read your sentences aloud,
do they sound easy and natural?



Word Choice

Have you used interesting words?
Have you used any words too many times?
Can the reader 'picture' what you wrote?
Have you chosen the best words?

Conventions

Did you write in complete sentences?
Did you read what you wrote?
Have you checked your spelling and
punctuation?