



THE FLIPSIDE



ASSIGNMENT: Write a well-constructed paragraph about your room. Concentrate on an interesting first sentence.

A place of mysterious solitude and peace—that is my room. Whenever I am in it, I feel peaceful and calm. Nobody bothers me much when I am there. Even though it isn't that large, I have everything I need. I am always reading or playing games in my room.

ZACK ABRAMS
Fifth Grade

My room is very chaotic with clutter. There is clutter on the floor everywhere. My toys are off the shelves. The bed sheets are on the floor. There's paper here and there. I have a McDonald's French fry pillow. It's on my desk. I always have to tiptoe in my room to not step on something sharp. It takes a while to get to my bed. Somebody help me! I think I'm going to go crazy! **TOO MUCH CLUTTER!**

JULIAN BALKCOM
Fifth Grade

ASSIGNMENT: Write a poem.

Blue skies
Slowly fading away
To the dreary color
Of gray.

No sunshine
Shining on us today
No time for kids
To go out and play.

Colorful leaves
Blanket the ground,
And there's not a flower
To be found.

If you look out your window,
You will see
Snow falling from the sky,
And the piles on the ground
Are very, very high.

They're good for making snowballs,
Good for having fun
Until they melt
By the scorching sun.

DOMINIQUE LAZZARO
Fourth Grade

ASSIGNMENT: Write a goodbye letter to our student teacher Ms. B.

Dear Ms. B.,

I loved when you gave me prizes for *All or Nothing*, but I will still have fun with Mrs. Ameri, and she will give me prizes! I bet Mrs. Ameri will have great projects too! You helped me in math. The

class loved everything! I am kind of upset that you will not be here for my birthday, but you will hear my name on the loud speaker. Good luck in 4th grade.

TYLER BONNER
Second Grade

Dear Ms. B.,

I will miss you very much. You helped me learn about communities, even the spelling. I loved when we surveyed fall! Good luck. You will make a great spelling teacher because you know how to spell tough words. Were you in *Lights, Camera, Action?* You were a great camera woman. Hope to see you soon.

ALEXANDER BRAM
Second Grade

Dear Ms. B.,

I will really miss your lessons. You helped me improve a lot. I loved that you came with us to experience fall. I'm going to wish you luck. I also think you are going to be a great teacher because you have been teaching us like a teacher. I will really miss you. I want you to write back if you can. Will you be like a pen pal? I hope so. That's the best you can do. I will miss you. A lot of things in teaching are hard, but you can succeed if you try.

AYLA LERNER
Second Grade

Dear Ms. B.,

I loved having you as a student teacher. I needed help with math, and you helped me. I hope you have good luck. I hope you have a wonderful time with your students. You helped me crack my egg at lunch. And you read us Where the Sidewalk Ends! Out of all student teachers in the world, you are the best! I was joyful to see you in the morning. You were always there for me. When I am down and see you, I am not down anymore! I like it when you teach lessons, like when you taught us about the subject and predicate. I am going to be a professional soccer player. I hope when you are a teacher, you will be in this school.

GRACE DEROSSETT
Second Grade

Dear Ms. B.,

Thank you for helping me do my work. My favorite thing was the nature walk because we found wild berries and branches. The best part was that I found a mini peach (I call it a mini peach because they look like mini peaches). I don't know their names, but I think they are really berries. Good luck being a real teacher and a great one. You were the best teacher because you have a lot of fun ideas. The best was *Lights, Camera, Action* because Mrs. Ameri danced to funny music.

MATTHEW TALLO
Second Grade