



Interactive Writing

What is it?

Interactive writing is a shared writing experience between teacher and a small group of emergent to beginning early writers. Interactive writing assists the children in developing reading and writing strategies for operating on print.

Why should I use it?

Interactive writing creates a shared writing experience where the teacher is given the opportunity to see how different children are processing print and the teacher is able to guide an individual child toward an appropriate response. The purposes of interactive writing are to:

- Demonstrate concepts of print, emergent strategies and how words work.
- Provide opportunities to hear sounds in words in connection with letters.
- Help children understand “building up” and “breaking down” processes in reading and writing.
- Provide opportunities to plan and construct texts.
- Learn some high frequency words.
- Provide texts that children can read independently.
- Provide written language resources in the classroom.