



The Writer's Notebook



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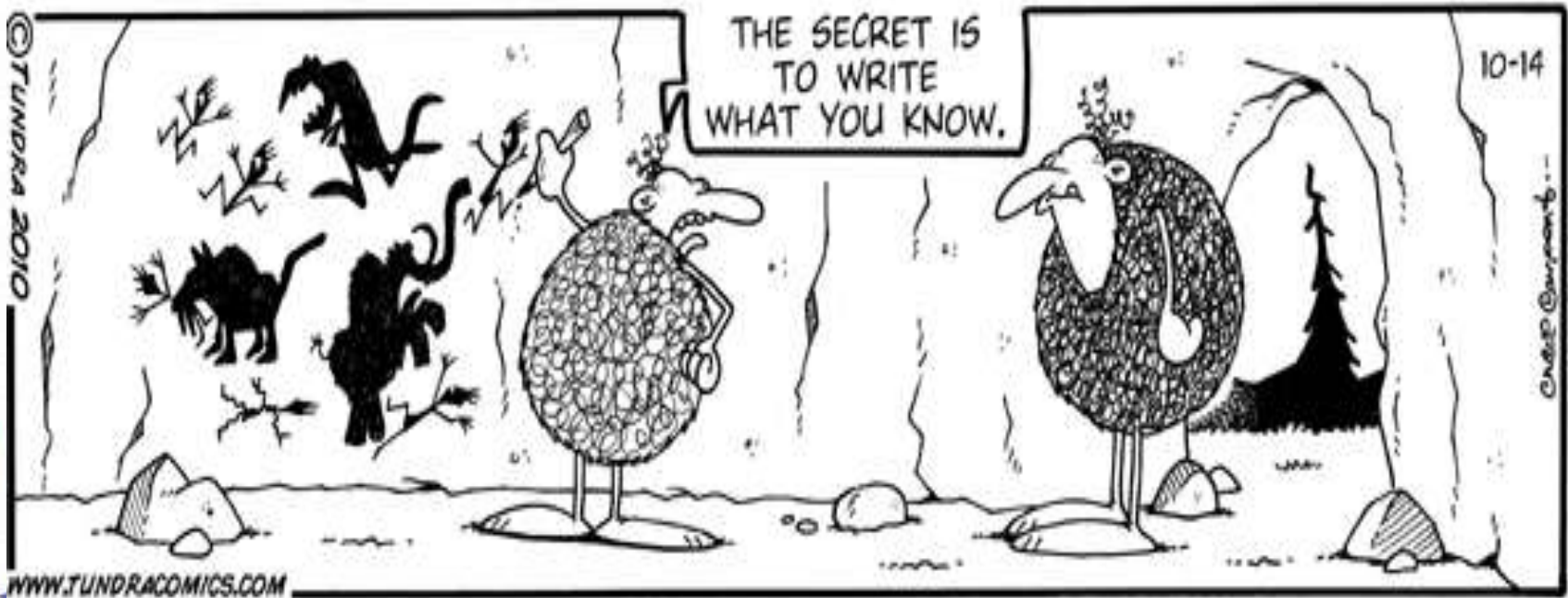


Quick Write

WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT WRITING?

WHAT DO YOU NOT LIKE ABOUT WRITING?

The secret.....





♦ *"A writer's notebook....gives you a place to write down what makes you angry, sad or amazed, to write down what you noticed and don't want to forget, to record exactly what your grandmother whispered in your ear before she said goodbye for the last time."*

♦ -Ralph Fletcher, *A Writer's Notebook* (1996,3)

Writer's Notebook 101

- ❖ *"A place to save their words –in the form of a memory, reflection, a list, rambling of thoughts, a sketch or even a scrap of paper taped on the page."*

(Buckner, 2005,4)



Your Writer's Notebook

- ◆ Composition books: rugged, sturdy, great size.
- ◆ First week homework: send home a paper bag to gather photos, ticket stubs, magazine snips, copies of photos, etc.

What's In? What's Out?

In the Notebook

- ◆ Daily entries
- ◆ Pre-writing
- ◆ Photos, clippings, ticket stubs, poetry, quotes, etc.
- ◆ Mini-lesson notes
- ◆ Revision Strategies
- ◆ Editing, Grammar Notes

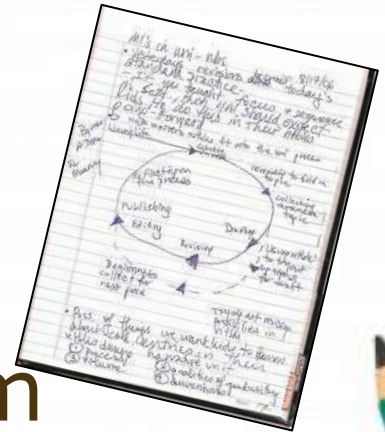
Out of the Notebook

- ◆ Drafts: yellow legal pad, looseleaf, notebook, etc.
- ◆ Revisions
- ◆ Editing
- ◆ Final Copy: published format

Front to Back, Back to Front

❖ Front to Back: daily entries, self-selected topics, suggested entries from lessons.

❖ Back to Front: keep notes from lessons, such as revisions, editing strategies, glued-in charts, lists and grammar notes.





Taking a Peek into a Teacher's Notebook

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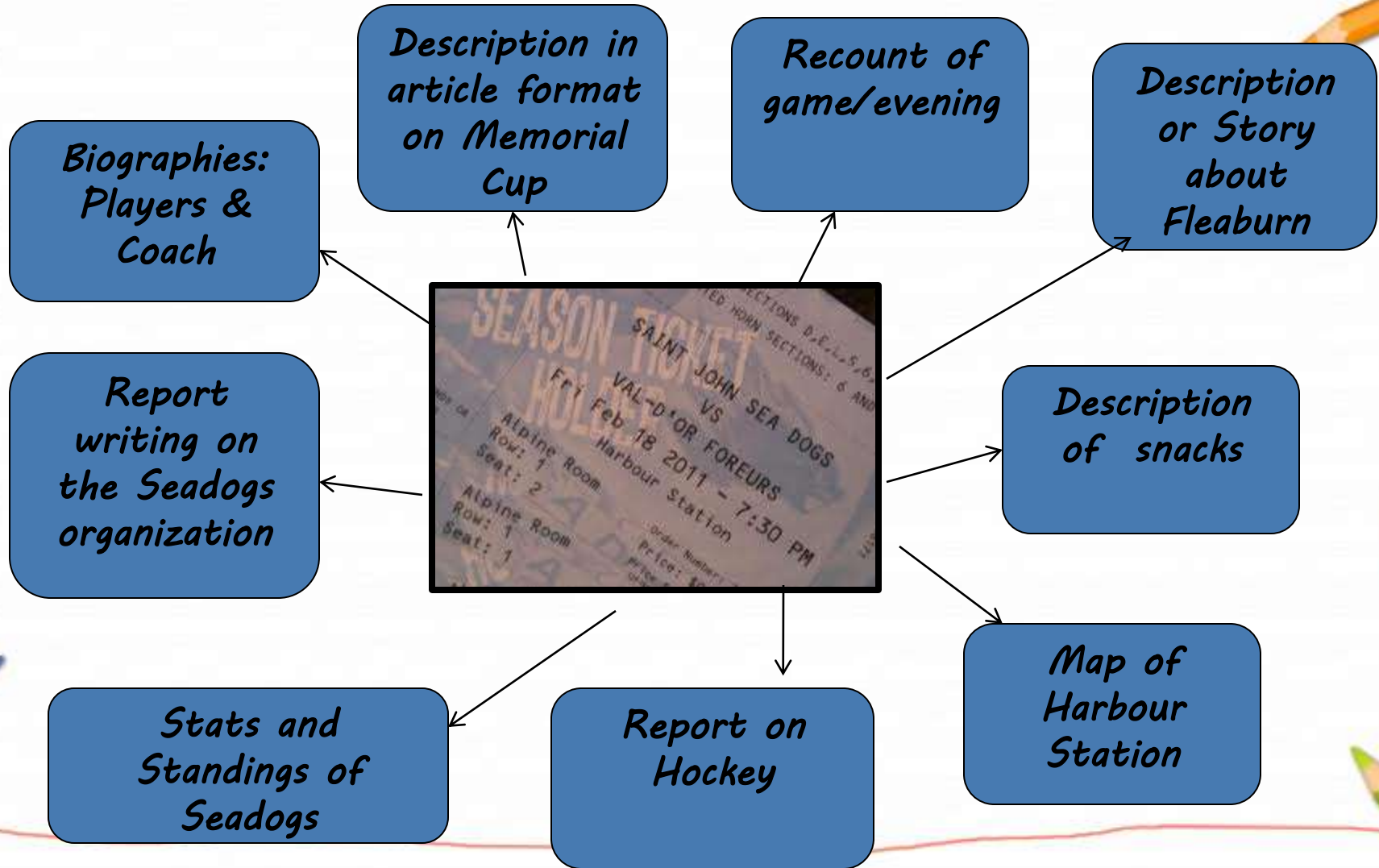


Beginning Your Own Notebook

The Table/Chair Hop



One Idea = Many Ideas!





Jeremiah's Writers Notebook

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"The best way to become a writer is to write a lot."



(Buckner, 2005,125)



Ticket Out the Door



**Thoughts, Comments,
Questions?**