SPACE
A Planning Strategy for Writing


The SPACE strategy is the second step of a basic three-step writing strategy:

1. Think - Who will read this? Why am I writing this?
2. Plan what to say.
3. Write and say more.

It is designed to help students make a writing plan and think about the details that should be included in stories. Models, demonstrations, and guided practice should be included when teaching students this strategy. The SPACE strategy includes five prompts:

NOTE:

Setting
• Introduction of the main character, locale, and time of the story
• Plot of the story

Purpose
• What the main character strives to achieve

Action
• What is done to achieve the goal

Conclusion
• The results of the action

Emotions
• The main character's reactions and feelings about various events in the story