

Literacy - Writing

Ideas and hints for parents who want to help their children improve their literacy skills.
This focuses on the development of writing



What is Literacy?



WRITE

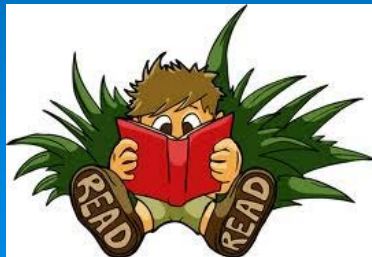
LISTEN



LITERACY

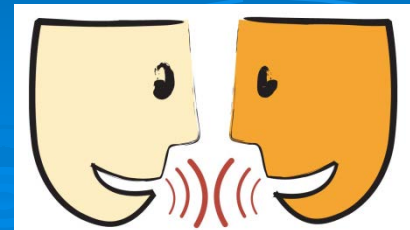
ALL subjects
read, interpret
& write

Group work =
Listen & Talk



READ

TALK



Examples of Literacy that are not English!



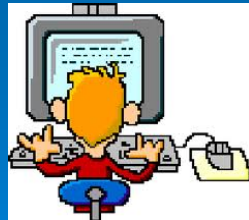
Topical Science Project in S2.



History of Maths in S1.



Comparing Parliaments S1 Modern Studies.

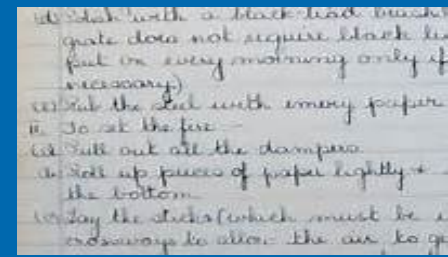
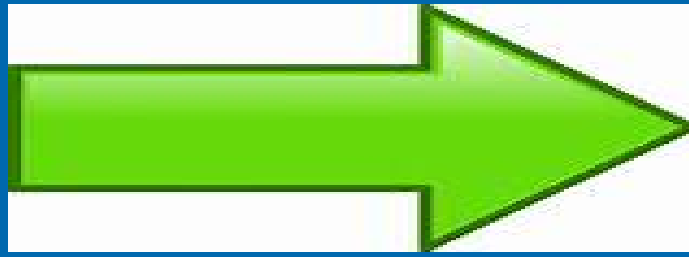


Client Pitch in S3 Graphic Communication.

➤ There are a number of others.

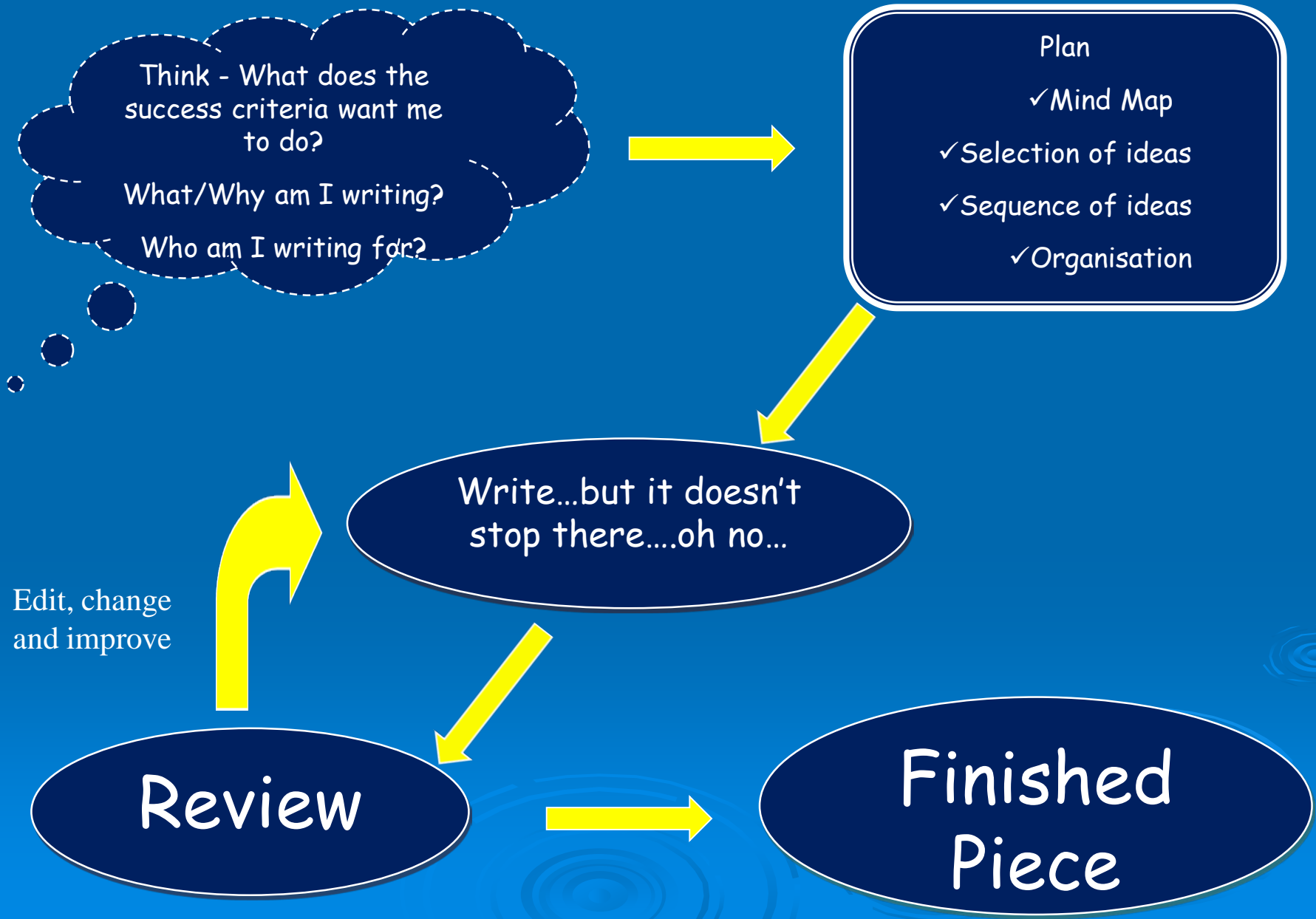
Writing ...where to begin.....?

So just how do you get an idea from your head to a page?



➤ Think, plan, write, review,
improve, present...

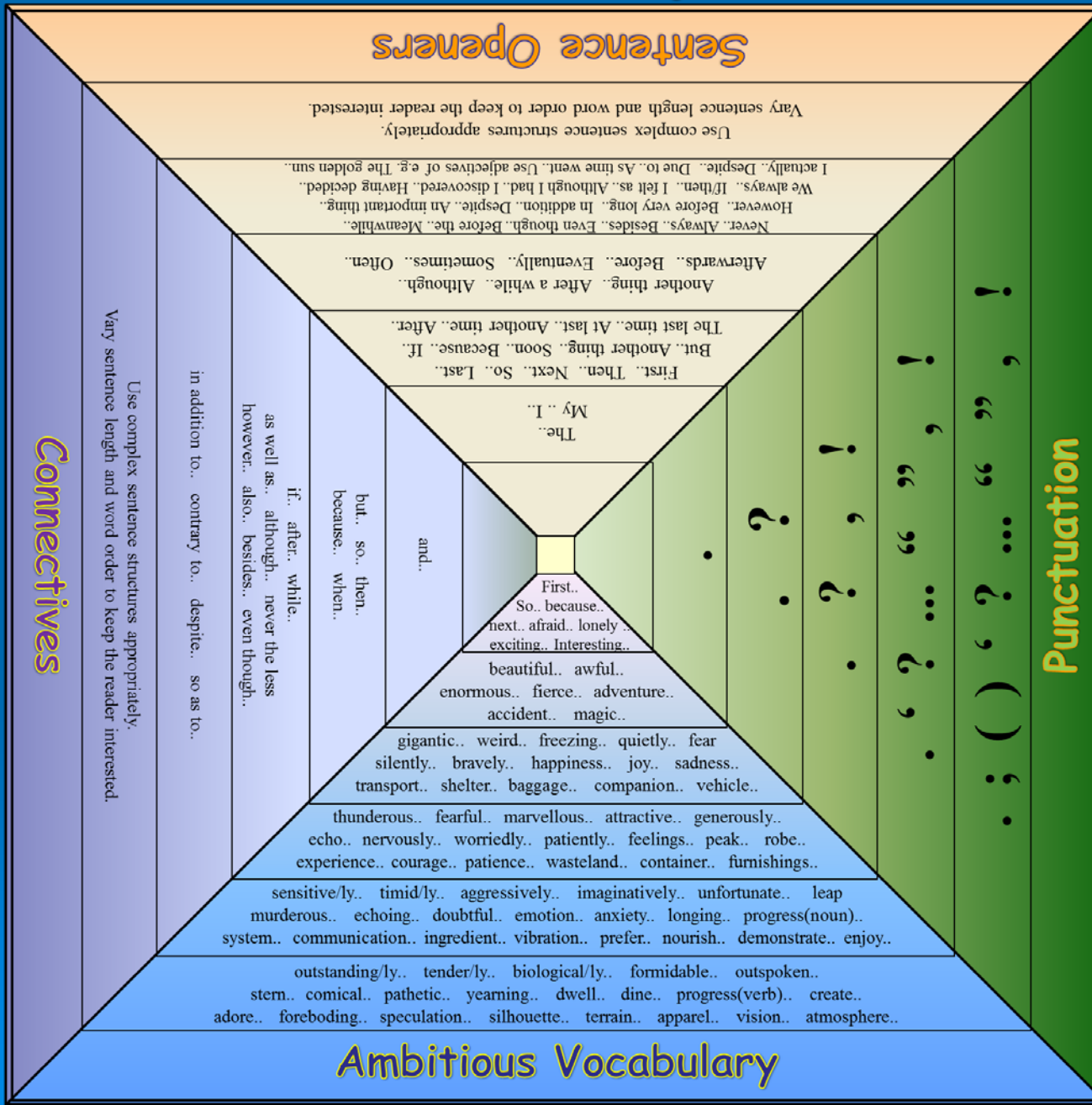
Writing Process/Plan



The VCOP Pyramid

- This is a tool that your child should be familiar with from Primary
- It helps scaffold Ambitious Vocabulary
- It provides some common connecting words (Conjunctions) to help parents help pupils link ideas and sentences
- It lists some openers – to begin sentences and help ideas flow
- It provides the basic punctuation that your child should be able to identify and use.

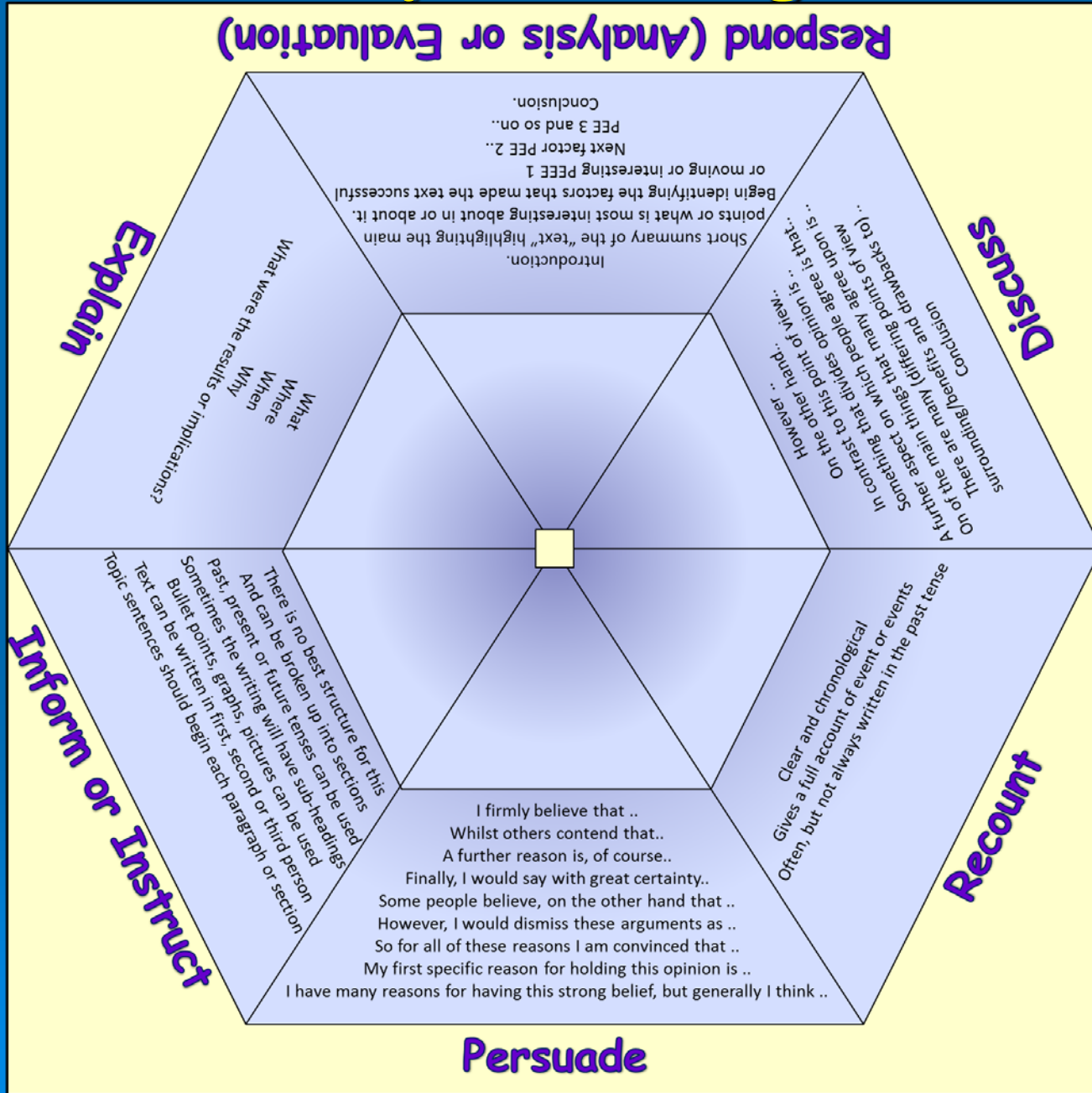
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Different ways of writing

- We have made a list of the most common types of writing that your child will be asked to do outside the English classroom.
- Writing to explain, recount, discuss, persuade, inform and respond....
- And each kind of writing has certain phrases (or markers) that can be used...
- Here are some ideas to begin with.

Ways of Writing



My child's work is covered in strange symbols?

- That will be the correction code and this will help you and your child identify areas that need to be worked on.

Correction Code you might see on your child's work

- 👍 Sp = Spelling
- 👍 P = Punctuation
- 👍 //NP = New Paragraph
- 👍 /NL = New Line
- 👍 VT = Tense
- 👍 Exp = Expression
- 👍 SS = Sentence Structure
- 👍 ? = Meaning not clear
- 👍 Rep = Repeated point
- 👍 ^ = Word missing
- 👍 → = Indent paragraph

What Now?



- Literacy is everyone's responsibility
- Good literacy is the key to the wider curriculum
- Let's work together to make your child a more successful writer.