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Each week, the *Kid Scoop Weekly Writing Corner* invites students to submit stories for their own special column. The list of upcoming topics at right will help you to plan how your class will participate.

## WEEKLY WRITING CORNER



### Sports Story

Write a short sports story about something that happened in a game you played or watched. Be sure to include *who, what, when, where, why and how*.  
**Deadline:** September 1  
**Published:** Week of Sept. 29

### Half Time

During half time, the most amazing thing happened!  
*Finish this story.*  
**Deadline:** September 8  
**Published:** Week of Oct. 6

### Misunderstood Monster

Write a news story about a misunderstood monster.  
**Deadline:** September 15  
**Published:** Week of Oct. 13

### Woman I Admire

Write about a woman you admire. Include three facts about this woman's life and explain why you admire her.  
**Deadline:** September 22  
**Published:** Week of Oct. 20

### Halloween Humor

Send us your favorite Halloween jokes and riddles.  
**Deadline:** September 29  
**Published:** Week of Oct. 27

## WEEKLY WRITING CORNER GUIDELINES

Here are some guidelines to give students a better chance of being published.

- 1. Keep length between 50 and 100 words.
  - 2. Follow directions for the topic. Creativity is great, but is the entry on topic?
  - 3. Make sure entries are legible.
  - 4. Students' name, school and grade should be on each entry.
  - 5. Screen for appropriateness. We try to avoid potentially embarrassing entries, but sometimes it is not obvious.
- NOTE:** Teachers should include a note if an entry is exceptional for a particular student but might not otherwise stand out.

### WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1

## THE A-MAZE-ING GOAL SETTING MAZE

Making a goal and working to achieve it is a lot like completing a maze. This week *Kid Scoop* offers a Monster-Sized maze that will also teach kids about setting and achieving goals. This is part of our ongoing financial education series.

### WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15

## TALK ABOUT TEASING

This week's *Kid Scoop* page is designed to get discussions about teasing started. The page presents comic-strip style situations to launch discussions as well as tips to help children deal with teasing.

### WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 29

## OUTDOOR FITNESS

Experts say that kids need to play out doors! This week *Kid Scoop* looks at ways to keep kids moving while enjoying fresh air, big body movements and learning about nature.

### WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8

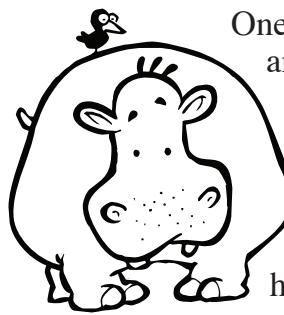
## HISTORY OF SCHOOL LUNCHES

School lunches have changed a lot over time. This week *Kid Scoop* looks at how school lunches have changed while offering nutrition education along the way.



### WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 22

## MEET THE HIPPO!



One of the world's largest animals is a fascinating subject. This week kids use puzzles and games, practice key academic skills while learning about hippos! Hip-hip-hooray!

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