



Dress Up
Your Writing

BAKE SHOP WRITING DAY

Sweet & Silly Writing
Activities Kids Will Love



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**Bake Shop Menu
and Bakery Ad Activity**

Bake Up Some Writing Fun!

Welcome to Bake Shop Writing Day!

Bake Shop Writing Day is designed to make writing feel like play... with just the right amount of structure baked in! Inside this packet, you'll find sweet and silly writing activities that build skills while sparking creativity. Want to take it up a notch? Check out our blog post for links to aprons, chef hats, décor ideas, read-alouds, and baking-themed board games to extend the fun. Don't forget to share your creations and tag us [@dressupyourwriting](https://www.instagram.com/dressupyourwriting)!

Synonym Buns – Verb Edition

A cinnamon bun matching game that builds strong vocabulary and encourages vivid verbs.
Skill Focus: Synonyms, word choice

Recipe Remix – Chocolate Chip Cookie Edition

A mixed-up procedural writing prompt with numbered steps and transition word practice.
Skill Focus: Sequencing, clarity, transition words

What's in the Bowl? – Image Prompt

Students use a storybook-style illustration as a jumping-off point for narrative writing.
Skill Focus: Story structure, creative thinking

Cupcake Creations – Journaling Edition

A flexible journaling activity with two levels (descriptive adjectives or “show, don't tell” writing.)
Skill Focus: Adjective use, sensory detail, participial phrases

Bonus Station: Open Your Own Bake Shop

Design a menu or write a bakery advertisement to showcase your sweet ideas.
Skill Focus: Persuasive writing, formatting, audience awareness

A NOTE ABOUT CURSIVE

You may notice the use of cursive script in the headers of some printables. This was intentional! While all main instructions and activity text are printed for accessibility, we believe it's valuable for students to be regularly exposed to cursive. It builds visual familiarity and supports reading development — even if they're not writing in cursive yet!





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Synonym Buns

How to Play:

✂ Cut out the Synonym Buns cards on the dotted lines.

Younger version: Match each boring verb (plain bun) with its two synonyms (one has whipped cream and one has a topping).

Older version: Play "Memory Match"! Shuffle all cards, place them face down in a grid, and take turns flipping over 3 at a time to find matching sets.

Keep going until all sets of 3 are matched!

Bake Up Some Sweet Synonyms



Synonym Buns

✂ Cut out the Synonym Buns cards on the dotted lines. Match each boring verb (plain bun) with its two synonyms (one has whipped cream and one has a topping). Keep going until all sets are matched!

Said



Ran



Shouted



Dashed



Whispered



Bolted



Synonym Buns

✂ Cut out the Synonym Buns cards on the dotted lines. Match each boring verb (plain bun) with its two synonyms (one has whipped cream and one has a topping). Keep going until all sets are matched!

Made



Looked



Baked



Glanced



Created



Stared



Synonym Buns

✂ Cut out the Synonym Buns cards on the dotted lines. Match each boring verb (plain bun) with its two synonyms (one has whipped cream and one has a topping). Keep going until all sets are matched!

Went



Ate



Ventured



Devoured



Traveled



Nibbled



Synonym Buns

✂ Cut out the Synonym Buns cards on the dotted lines. Match each boring verb (plain bun) with its two synonyms (one has whipped cream and one has a topping). Keep going until all sets are matched!

Laughed



Helped



Giggled



Assisted



Chuckled



Aided



Synonym Buns

✂ Cut out the Synonym Buns cards on the dotted lines. Match each boring verb (plain bun) with its two synonyms (one has whipped cream and one has a topping). Keep going until all sets are matched!

Wrote



Jumped



Scribbled



Leapt



Jotted



Hopped



Name _____

Date _____

Recipe Remix: Chocolate Chip Cookies

Oh no! The steps for baking cookies are all mixed up! Number them in the correct order, then use the word bank to rewrite the recipe in the right sequence.

- ___ Scoop the dough onto a baking sheet, leaving space between each cookie.
- ___ Enjoy your warm, freshly baked cookies!
- ___ Mix in the chocolate chips.
- ___ Beat together the butter, sugar, and brown sugar until creamy.
- ___ Bake for 8-10 minutes, until the edges are golden brown.
- ___ Preheat the oven to 350°F.
- ___ Crack in the eggs and add vanilla extract, then mix well.
- ___ In a separate bowl, whisk together the flour, baking soda, and salt.
- ___ Add the dry ingredients to the wet mixture until combined.

first

next

then

finally



What's in the Bowl?

A Picture Prompt to Spark Your Imagination

These two animal chefs look very surprised. What did they see in the bowl? Who are they? What happens next?

Look closely at the picture.

Ask questions:

- What's in the bowl?
- Did something go wrong... or very right?
- What kind of bake shop is this?

Write a story inspired by the scene. You can make it funny, heartwarming, mysterious, or anything in between.

Make sure your story has a beginning, a middle, and an end.

Don't forget to give it a title!



Cupcake Creations

Journaling Edition

Option A – Describe & Doodle:

Think up a wild and wonderful cupcake. Write five adjectives that describe it, then draw it in your journal. Don't forget to name it!

- What does it look like?
- What color is the frosting?
- What flavors or toppings does it have?

Bonus: Give your creation a fun name, like "Sunset Swirl" or "Chocolate Avalanche."



Option B – Show, Don't Tell:

Describe your cupcake without ever saying the word "delicious."

Examples:

"Cracking with caramel glaze, the cupcake burst with warm cinnamon flavor the moment I took a bite."

"The sparkling sugar shimmered like glass and melted into the moist, fluffy cake below. Each bite left a streak of chocolate on the fork and a smile on my face."

Tip: Try using sensory details and participles (participles are verbs that act like adjectives – they add action and description at the same time).

✦ Skill Focus: Adjective use, sensory language, show-don't-tell, journaling

✦ Did you know? Kids who journal regularly are 7 times more likely to write outside of school... just for fun! This station builds on the same joyful approach we use in our Daily Journaling series.

BAKE SHOP

Menu

TODAY'S SPECIALS









CRUMB & CO.

— BAKERY —

Where every bite is a celebration!

real
buttercream



MINT CLOUD CUPCAKE

A dreamy swirl of mint,
vanilla, and pastel
whipped topping

the best
chocolate



sprinkles



COOKIE VOLCANO MUFFIN
Explosively chocolatey
with a molten cookie center

SPRINKLE SURPRISE DONUT
Covered in sprinkles... but what's inside?
You'll have to taste to find out!

Open daily - Follow the scent!