



## Writing Prompts Narrative

1. You're at a museum, browsing ancient artifacts, when someone taps you on the shoulder. Startled, you spin around and accidentally break a rare vase. What happens next?
2. Try to remember a stranger who was unexpectedly kind to you. What happened? How did you benefit from the stranger's kindness? Did you have an opportunity to thank the person? Describe what happened.
3. Write a new ending to your favorite fairy tale.
4. Write a story in which the main character is a pencil.
5. Use this phrase to start your story: "I was so surprised when..."
6. Imagine you have invented a fantastic new soap...but it has a strange side effect. What is it? What happens when people use your soap?
7. Pretend that you're forced to dye your hair. Why are you being forced? What color would you choose? How do you think your friends would react?
8. What if there was a TV screen on your forehead broadcasting your inner thoughts? What would viewers see?
9. A young teenager finds a talking animal in the woods. What happens next? Write the story.
10. Imagine three strangers are stuck in an elevator. The three people are very different from each other. What do they talk about? How do they pass the time until the elevator is fixed? Tell the story of what happens.
11. How did you get that scar? Tell the story of the events leading to your scar, and what happened afterwards.
12. Write a short story using these items: a baseball, a lawn mower, and butterfly.
13. What have you been daydreaming about? Write a short story as if it really happened.
14. Remember the last time you laughed out loud. What happened that was so funny? Try to write the story so your reader can laugh, too.
15. Your favorite teacher walks into the classroom and has a big wad of gum stuck to her shoe. Do you tell her? Write the story as it might happen.
16. Think about your favorite pair of shoes. Where have you worn them? What events have you attended in those shoes? Tell the story of your travels from the shoes' point of view.