

# **GETTING CREATIVE WITH YOUR WRITING**

Grade Levels: 7-12



## **Overview**

Students in groups of three will choose a newspaper photo and write a creative short story in a blog on Weebly about what happened before, during, and after the photo was taken. Students will exercise their creativity and learn how to think imaginatively while using the Weebly site.

## **Objective**

To develop creative writing skills through use of newspaper photos

## **Standards**

This writing process includes prewriting, drafting, editing, and revising. Students progress through these stages to write clear, coherent, and focused paragraphs and essays.

## **Materials**

Computers with functioning internet, a Weebly account.

## **Procedure**

- 1) Choose a group of no more than three people
- 2) Pick a newspaper photo from the internet that you believe you can write creatively about
- 3) Decide among your group members what direction your short story will take
- 4) Decide whose perspective the story will be from
- 5) Type a short story on Weebly in a blog
- 6) Revise and edit your story
- 7) Add clipart pictures to your essay to make it appealing

## **Evaluation**

Students will be evaluated on the creativity of the story they have typed on the Weebly site.

Lesson plan adapted from:

[http://www.eduref.org/cgi-bin/printlessons.cgi/Virtual/Lessons/Language\\_Arts/Writing/WCP0011.html](http://www.eduref.org/cgi-bin/printlessons.cgi/Virtual/Lessons/Language_Arts/Writing/WCP0011.html)

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