

## Conducting a Poetry Writing Workshop

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**Question:** How many new writing strategies will the fellows of the Summer Writing Institute engage in on Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>? (must be measureable)

(Scientist conducts research before hypothesis)

**Hypothesis:** I think that the fellows of the summer institute will engage in many new adventuresome writing strategies and then will be able to implement them in their classrooms. (answers the question and is measureable)

**Materials:** composition books, Pen/pencil, Atwell's *In the Middle*, and an open mind

- Procedure:**
1. Have all materials
  2. Thank Eunice and Ann for breakfast
  3. Listen to Mary read the log
  4. Listen to Dr. Parson read *Abandoned Farmhouse* by Ted Kooser
  5. Write own poem and remember to tell and give evidence
  6. Do popcorn share
  7. Listen to Kevin's demo *Mayan Glyphs*
  8. Create own mythical tale and share with group
  9. Take break
  10. Complete Dr. Rathubun's Quick Write on Challenges & Opportunities for using Reading & Writing Workshop in Classroom
  11. Conduct a table share
  12. Research, revise, or post (Free Writing Workshop)
  13. Lunch
  14. Listen to Dr. Parson read aloud *I Love You the Purplest*
  15. Observe author's craft in use of cumulative phrases
  16. Write own color poem and incorporate cumulative phrases

17. Carry on with table share and volunteer sharing
18. Make note of Margaret's presentation –*Introducing students to Various Genres to Help with Reading Motivation*
19. Complete, post, revise, or seek coaching
20. Take notice of Eunis', Ruth's, Rose's, Olga's, and Dorothy's experiences on author's chair
21. Do not forget to read Atwell's Chapter #6

**Results:** Writers were engaged in many new writing strategies that they will be able to implement in their classrooms. Refer to graph.



**Conclusion:** My hypothesis was I think that the fellows of the summer institute will engage in many new adventuresome writing strategies and then will be able to implement them in their classrooms. My results support my hypothesis. Yesterday was a day saturated with fun-filled engaging activities. For future studies, I do not foresee a need to change the Summer Writing Institute.