Common Core Early Writing Standards

	Introduction			Body			Conclusion		
	Opinion	Informational	Narrative	Opinion	Informational	Narrative	Opinion	Informational	Narrative
K	tell topic or name book, state opinion or preference	name what they are writing about	NA	use drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion piece	use drawing, dictating and writing to compose informative texts, supply some information about the topic	use drawing, dictating and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tell about the events in the order in which they occurred, provide a reaction to what happened	NA	NA	NA
1	introduce topic or name book, state opinion	name the topic	NA	supply a reason for the opinion	supply some facts about the topic	recount two or more appropriately sequenced events, include some details about what happened, use temporal words to signal event order	provide some sense of closure	provide some sense of closure	provide some sense of closure
2	introduce topic or book, state opinion	name the topic	NA	supply reasons that support the opinion, use linking words to connect opinion and reasons	use facts and definitions to develop points	recount a well elaborated event or short sequence of events, include details to describe actions, thoughts, and feelings, use temporal word to signal event order	provide a concluding statement or section	provide a concluding statement or section	provide a sense of closure
3	introduce the topic or text they are writing about, state an opinion	introduce a topic	establish a situation and introduce a narrator and/or characters	provide reasons that support the opinion, use linking words and phrases	group related information together, include illustrations when useful to aiding comprehension, develop the topic with facts, definitions, and details, use linking words and phrases	organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally, use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and event or show the response of characters to situations, use temporal words and phrases to signal event order	provide a concluding statement or section	provide a concluding statement or section	provide a sense of closure