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ESTABLISH THE PURPOSE FOR LEARNING

This strategy can help:

- clarify expectations
- strengthen academic self-awareness
- connect to the process of skill development

Sometimes spontaneity is exactly what is called for in a situation. However, when trying to develop academic skills, having a clear purpose increases the effectiveness of the efforts. The academic goal can be established by you, as a collaborative agreement between you and your learner, or by the learner. This approach is beneficial for all learners, regardless of age or ability.

Guidance:

Collaborative or Student Created

You will be able to spend about 20 minutes writing today. What would you like to accomplish during this time?

Examples of Writing Goals

- I will write a story from my brainstorming list, "Scary Things" and will make sure it has at least three examples of dialogue.
- I will freewrite for ten minutes, then revise the rough draft to be sure I have powerful verbs.
- Today, I will make a chart to compare and contrast two of my favorite sea creatures, narwhales and nurse sharks. Tomorrow I will write a paper explaining the ways the two creatures are similar and different.

How are you going to use your reading time today?

Examples of Reading Goals

- After reading a chapter, I will share three important events that happened.
- I will read until I find four unfamiliar or interesting vocabulary words from my story. Then, I will define and use them in sentences I create about the story I am

reading.

- I will read for 20 minutes and create either two questions or two predictions I have about my novel.

Parent Created

After reading, I would like you to pick a character and tell me if you agree or disagree with her/his/its actions. I also want you to explain your reason(s) using evidence from the text to support your opinion.

Based on your research, write a paper explaining three strategies that support the presence of no kill animal shelters in our community. Be sure to use your revising and editing checklists.