

STORY STARTERS × × ×

Topic	Students involved	Traditional Section	Chronological Section	Number of People Covered	Format			
"I'm most likely to..." survey	anyone	opening	any time	1-50	survey quotes	did you know q&a		
"To my younger self..." advice survey	anyone	opening	any time	approx. 100	survey quotes	checklist	top 10 list	
When is it ok to ask someone to homecoming?	anyone	student life, homecoming	Fall	3	poll w/ quotes	how i did it	timeline-early bird vs last minute	...but they said no
How homecoming has changed over the years	people going to homecoming	student life, homecoming	Fall	2	short story	timeline	list	ranking of changes
What it meant to be kicked out of a dance	people who received dancing violations	student life, homecoming	Fall	3	bottom bar	q&a-punishment?	survey-innocent or guilty?	
Spirit Week	people who participated in spirit week	student life, homecoming	Fall	5	quote graphic	timeline- show different dress up days and events	timeline- slice of time (seconds between winning and losing)	chart-hot & not events
Homecoming Parade Floats	anyone	student life, homecoming	Fall	3	poll	factoid-costs of float materials	factoid-what was used (ex 9,000 feet of silver streamer etc)	timeline-time spent on set up
Short film creation	specific to story	student life	anytime	4	dominant story	quotes - reviews		
Holidays	anyone	student life	Winter	7	bottom bar	rank-best to worst	bio box-what holiday matches personality	checklist-how to score best gifts
iPhone/Android	anyone	student life	anytime	100+	opinion graphic	chart-top apps	chart-data hogs	glossary of lingo & emojis
Student hobbies	anyone	student life	anytime	5	days of the week module	table	rank-most time to least time	factoids-amount of money spent
What it means to make a sacrifice	anyone	student life	anytime	5	quote graphic	bio boxes	timeline-how long it took to get there	
Students experiencing other cultures	specific to story	student life	anytime	1	personality profile	glossary of terms	compare and contrast	
English as your second language	specific to story	student life, academics	anytime	5	bio boxes	glossary-hardest words to say	quiz-same word different meaning	quote-parents who only speak native language
Eagle Scouts	eagle scouts	student life	anytime	1	personality profile	compare and contrast-time takes to earn vs other honors	he said/she said-parent quotes about the process	compare-number of students who are eagle scouts vs XXX
Foreign Exchange Students adjust to life in US	foreign exchange students	student life	anytime	3	profiles	callouts-photo callouts explaining fashion changes	chart-methods of communicating with family at home	listing-3 things I miss from home I wish 'here' had
Student excels academically	specific to story	student life, academics	anytime	1	personality profile	how-to-tips for setting goals	matching-student to achievement	factoid-what you sacrificed for success

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Drama students use masks to get in character	drama students	academics	anytime	3	glossary of drama terms	list- girls give tips to boys on how to apply makeup	timeline- how long it takes to get into character	factoid/infographic- pic of script with notes and pic at that moment in performance
Sweet 16 Party	specific to story	student life	anytime	1	quote graphic	list- best and worst gifts	timeline- planning a party	
Church retreat	specific to story	student life	anytime	5	map-travel	checklist- be prepared	map- where did you go	cause and effect-what inspired you and what did you get from it
Gymnastics	student athlete	student life	anytime	1	#fail-stories of hard landings and misses	timeline- day in the life	ranking-toughest tricks and stunts	
Students who live on their own	specific to story	student life	anytime	2-3	list-10 things I never thought about before I was on my own	chart- expenses	compare and contrast-reality vs what people think	photos of students in their apartments
What it means to stand out	anyone	student life	anytime	2-3	quote graphic	q&a - being different: gift or curse?	interview- choosing to be different vs. being born different	
What it means to face your fears	anyone	student life	anytime	1	pie chart- top fears	table- things you fear and reasons why	boys vs girls- same fear, different reason	interview- i faced my fear
What students have in their cars	anyone with a car	student life	anytime	5-10	quote graphic	callouts-point to insides with list of stuff	6 degrees-connect 5 students who all admit to having the same strange thing in their car	interview- WHY is that in your car?
Curfew driving law	drivers	student life	anytime	1-5	opinion graphic	factoid-rules	q&a-i got caught	
Marching band	marching band students	clubs	anytime	25-50	factoid-compare instruments and number of steps in field show	timeline-learning the parade or field show	matching- match weight of instrument with student who plays	interview- why i joined band
Quiz Bowl	quiz bowl students	clubs	anytime	5	rate-hardest questions	q&a-toughest categories		
National Merit Scholars	national merit students	academics	anytime	5	did you know-non academic fun facts about scholars	chart-savings for being a finalist	quote-the moment you found out...	
School play	drama students	student life, clubs	anytime	10	checklist-prepping for auditions	timeline-from concept to curtains	timeline-what happens backstage to make a production happen	group q&a- post production lull, what's it like when it's all over?

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Tattoos	tattooed students	student life	anytime	1-10	quote graphic	6 degrees- connect students with similar tattoos	list- top ten parent reactions	
Winter formal/other formal dances	specific to story	student life	anytime the event took place	5	opinion graphic	timeline-what it takes for boy to get ready vs girl in the same day	list- amount spent on 'the little things'	match-student and what they did instead of going to the dance
Volunteering	volunteers	student life	anytime	5	quote graphic	q&a-choosing an opportunity	bar chart-number of students involved with volunteering: church, political, animal, children, etc	list-how to find the volunteering opportunities
Students' Lockers	anyone	student life	anytime	5-10	map-find a student that has the longest commute from locker to a class	factoid-craziest things found in lockers	compare and contrast-students who carry books vs those who go to lockers	
Backpacks	anyone	student life, academics	anytime	5-10	quote graphic	callouts-pinpointing what's in the backpack	listing-weigh backpacks and list from heaviest to lightest	matching-novelty backpack match with person who owns it
Family at school	students whose parents are teachers or staff members	student life	anytime	5	q&a	he said/she said-students and parents answer 'what's the biggest challenge'	match-match the students to their faculty family member	
Hidden talents	specific to story	student life	anytime	5	quotes	how-to-how did they learn that talent	chart-talents listed in bar chart by area	matching-match the person and their hidden talent
What it meant to me when I got my first car	anyone	student life	anytime	5-10	quotes	table-people down one side and emotions across the top table	ratings-the good, bad and ugly of getting a car	survey-did you pay for car & how \$\$ earned
What you'll find students doing in the library	anyone	student life	anytime	5	factoid-weirdest thing i've done in library	list-things the library is good for	survey-favorite spot in library	
How students spend time after school	anyone	student life	anytime	12	he said/she said-boys vs girls	he said/she said-sports vs academics	timeline-ways to waste time or best use time	
What it meant when I lost something important to me	anyone	student life	anytime	5	quotes	match-what was lost to the student		

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Students' experiences as they travel around the world	students who have visited other countries	student life	anytime	1-5	map-around the world	call out-map with where and what they learned	glossary of terms-how we do it vs how they do it	listing-things I missed most
Teacher Education	students in teacher education	clubs	anytime	10	quote graphics	factoid-what it takes to teach	rank-teacher who has taught most students	factoid-length of time they've been in same rooms
Art Club	art club	clubs	anytime	5-10	club feature graphic	glossary-tools of the trade	step by step-perfecting your craft	q&a-what artist would you like to meet and why
Concerts	anyone	student life	anytime	10-20	rate-most to least expensive	checklist-getting dressed for concert	survey-best/loudest	
A dancer moving to a new studio	specific to story	student life	anytime	1	personality profile	q&a-what you miss the most		
Students form a band	specific to story	student life	anytime	1-5	list-tips for picking band mates	callouts-band and their role	breakups and make ups	
Growing up playing a sport	athletes	student life, athletics	anytime	5	timeline-little league team photo with callouts showing who the kids are	match pic of young player with player now	list -things I learned from my coaches	
Student works with kids as a job	specific to story	student life	anytime	1-5	personality profile	table-boys and girls down one side and emotions at top	favorite ages to work with and why	

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