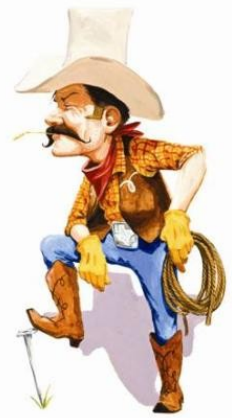


# 3rd Grade Writing Performance Expectation for **Kick the Cowboy**



After Kick apologized to the boys, he decided to write Belle a letter thanking her for being honest about his behavior and helping him be a better person. Being that Kick isn't real, I would like you to write that letter. Make sure to include what behavior was changed, how thankful Kick is, and how he will continue to be a better person. Brainstorm with you class all the parts of a friendly letter I've listed below and make sure know what they mean. Include these in your letter.

## **Parts of a Friendly Letter:**

\*Greeting/Salutation– Usually begins with Dear \_\_\_\_\_ and ends with a comma.

\*Body– This is the main text, which includes the message or information you are writing in your letter.

\*Closing– In the closing the first word is capitalized and you put a comma after the last word. This is a short expression on a single line. Some examples of closing are: Sincerely, Your friend, Love

\*Signature Line– This is your name and goes under the closing.

\*Postscript– If your letter contains a postscript, begin it with “P.S.” and end it with your initials.

## **Characters:**

Kick  
Belle  
Clancy  
Charley  
Slim  
Poo



## **Rubric:**

**4 Boots– Exceeds the Standard**



**3 Boots– Meets the Standard**



**2 Boots– Approaching the Standard**



**1 Boot– Below the Standard**



## **Writing Performance Expectations:**

\*Understands and Uses the Writing Process

\*Writes Clearly and Effectively

**Behavior that was changed:**

**Why Kick is thankful:**

**How he will continue to be better:**