

Language Arts 8
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Assignment for Week of March 30 - April 3:

Write me a 1-page letter describing what you've been doing/what's been happening in your life since we were last together at school. This will be set up as a friendly letter (not a formal business letter). However, the expectations for your writing remain professional: complete sentences, correct capitalization and punctuation, correct spelling, rework sentences to replace "got", etc.

General Letter Requirements:

- 12-point font if typing
- Single space (leave a blank line to separate paragraphs and different parts of the letter). See my example below.
- Like I stated above, the expectations for your writing are professional: complete sentences, correct capitalization and punctuation, correct spelling, rework sentences to replace "got", etc.

Parts of the Letter:

- Salutation: Dear Mrs. Wilson,
- Body Paragraphs: Yes, this letter will include multiple paragraphs. See my example below.
- Closing: Sincerely,
- Signature: Your first and last name

Example Letter:

Dear Student,

Hello! How are you doing? Right now I'm sitting at my desk in my empty classroom, wondering when I'll get to see you again. (I'm writing this letter on Monday, March 23.) I'm asking you to write me a letter for your first assignment as a way for us to catch up. What have you been up to these past couple weeks? What's been going on in your life? Pretend you're talking to me and tell me about it in written paragraphs.

My spring break began as planned. The Wilson side of my family gets together every year at Maumee Bay State Lodge in Maumee, Ohio (near Toledo). We had already scheduled for the weekend of March 14-15, and most of us were able to make it. (Some of the older relatives chose to stay home.) We were planning on going to Imagination Station on Saturday, but we decided that wouldn't be a good idea since everybody there would be touching all the hands-on displays! (Imagination Station ended up closing until further notice anyway.) Instead, the cousins played lots of games and swam in the pool. My boys and I went for a last swim Sunday morning before we checked out of the lodge. It was awesome because most of the time we had the whole pool to ourselves!

Unfortunately, the other day trips we had planned over spring break had to be cancelled. My boys were not happy to discover I planned for us to clean the house those days instead! It hasn't been all work though. We've also been playing a lot of card games and board games! We like to play Rummy, Uno, Phase 10, Sorry!, checkers, and more. I look forward to hearing what you've been doing the last couple of weeks.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Wilson

Turn In Your Letter:

- If you typed your letter on a Google doc, share it with me:
jwilson@western-reserve.org
- You can type your letter and email it to me: jwilson@western-reserve.org
- If you are not able to use the internet to turn in your letter, write it out **neatly**.
Keep it in a safe place until we figure out the procedure for returning it to school.