

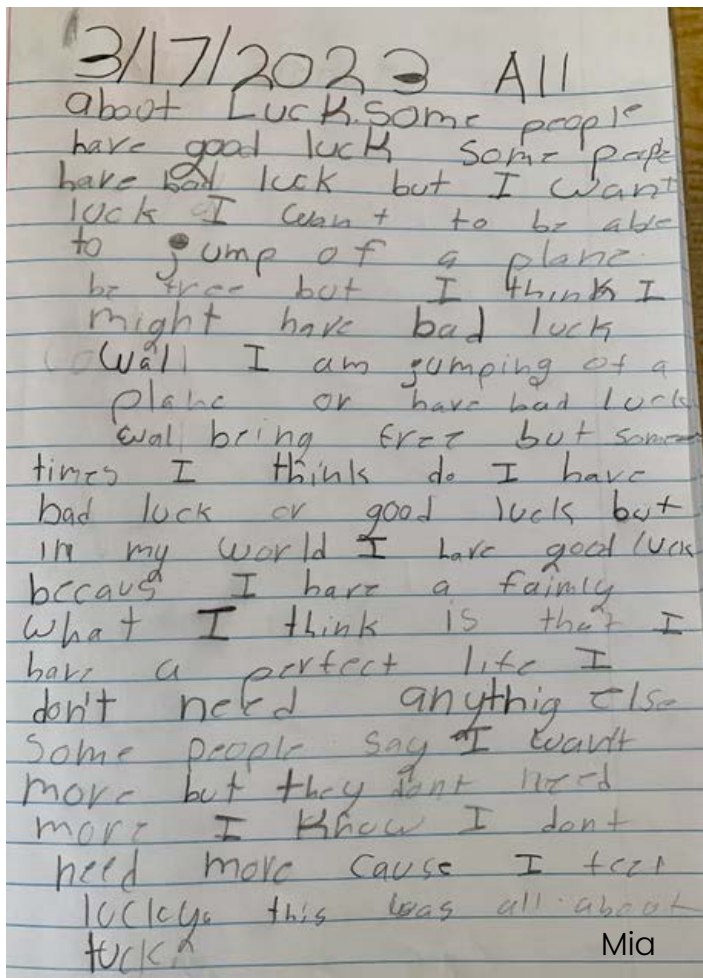
# Rise Up & Write!

# WELCOME!

AJLA "Rise Up & Write" is a space for students of all ages to celebrate the writing that they have been working on at school. From building foundational literacy skills to crafting paragraphs of work- AJLA students cover it all! Please enjoy our class writing features, each displaying developmentally appropriate technique through drawing, letter formation, and spelling. Nurturing the progress of skills is our goal- not perfection!

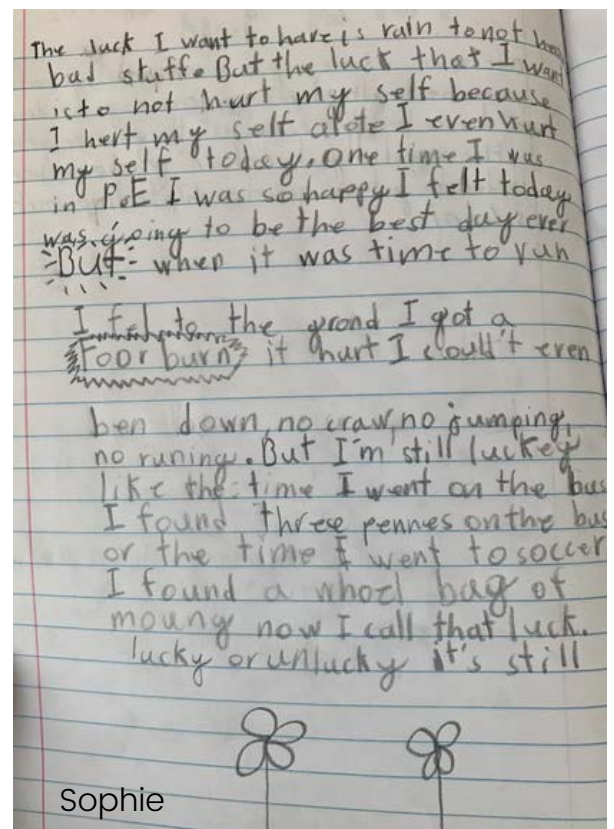
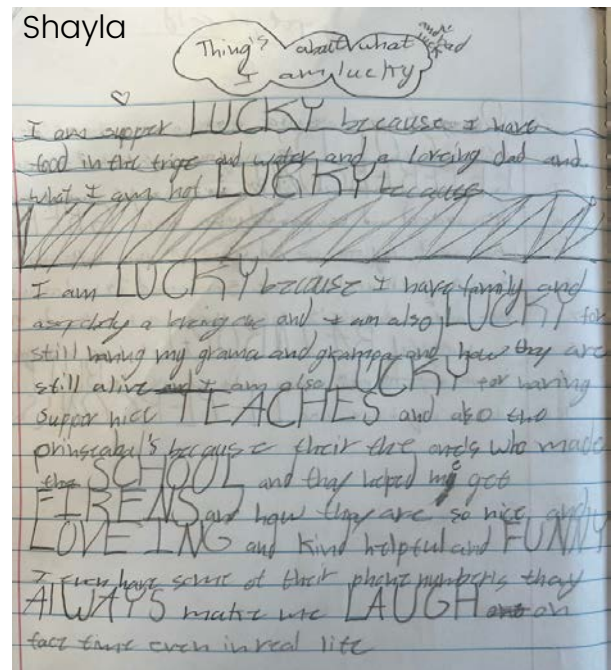
## Third Grade

Third grade has been working on journaling. They watched the animated short "Jinxy Jenkins & Lucky Lou" and journaled about what it means to be lucky.



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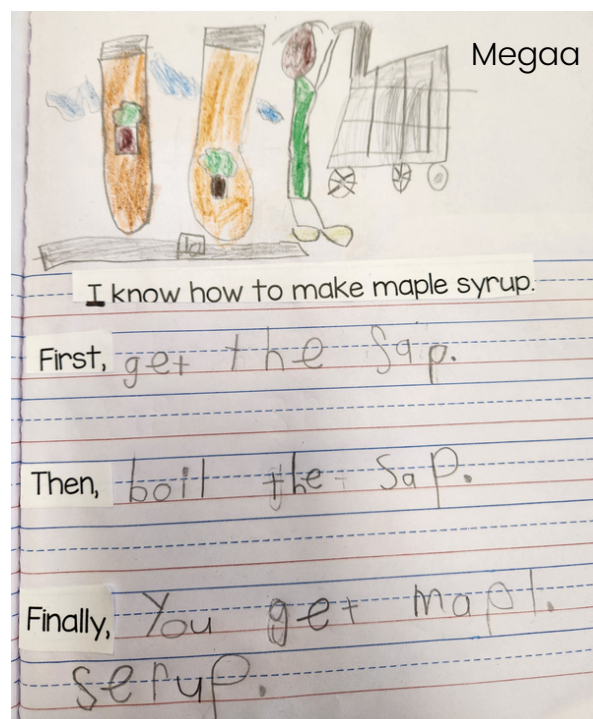
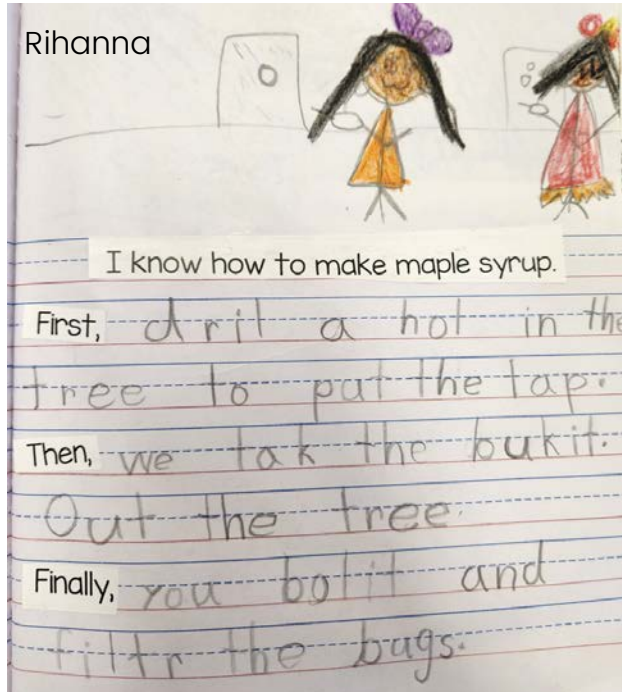
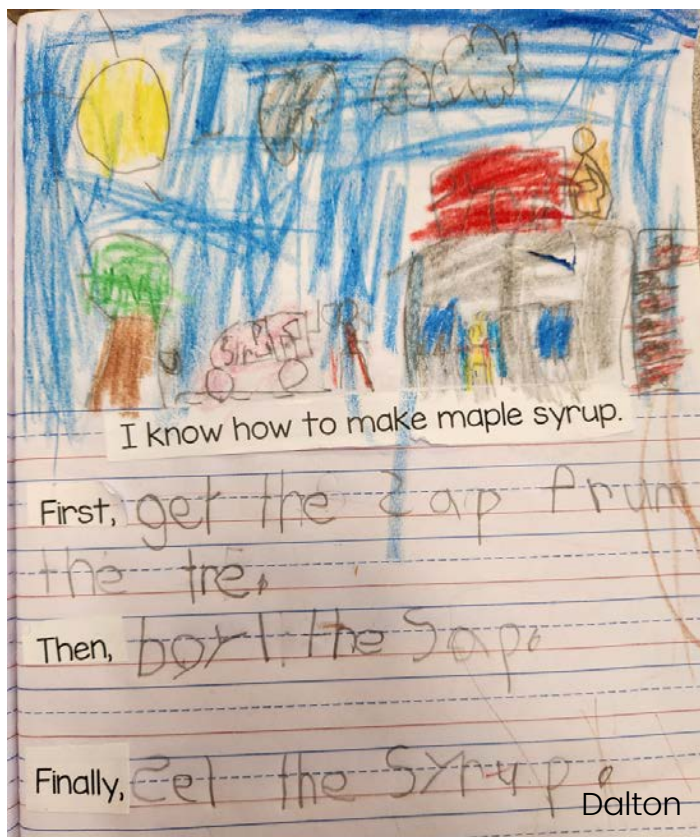
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# Kindergarten

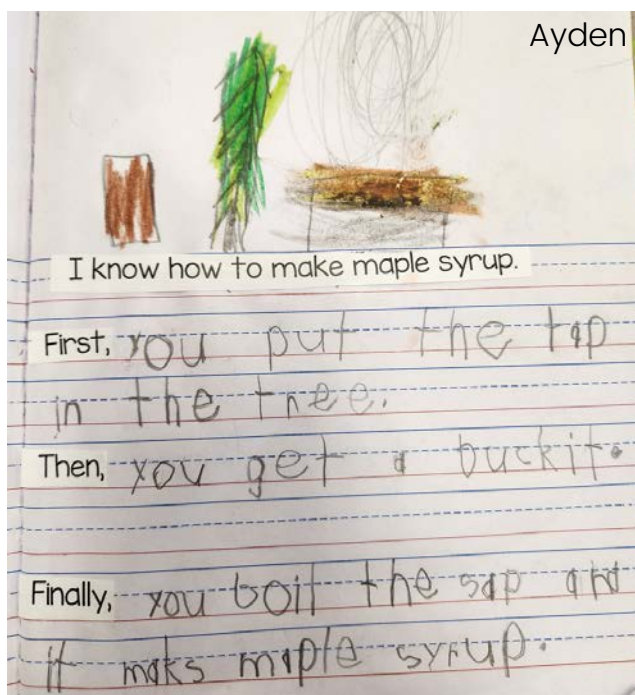
Our students are using their knowledge about trees to practice sentence structure and sequencing. With the help of a sentence starter, students were asked to sequence the steps for making maple syrup. They have been working diligently to space words, add periods, and use their letter sound knowledge to write coherent thoughts.



## SPRING WORD SEARCH

S R X S H V G A R D E N B Z M  
D P Y J R X I L E M W O M K J  
F L R G G R O W L Q F C S H M  
Y V Q O K H M X P Y B C B W H  
D W K P U Q K X Z U U G P O Y  
N Z V O K T V X M K T V X R F  
X B M P E S K R N F T S X M L  
B I W P F B H B V C E N O S O  
A L N V S L H A C T R L P Q W  
U Z O Z E O S A O D F D V Y E  
A D R O E S E E D S L Q L E R  
N E P B M S U H P N Y G T E S  
E C N E L O F P K B W R C W R  
F Z Z E V M O M J N G U A I X  
B C Y S O N I R M Z L J E C P

butterfly	blossom	garden	bees
sprout	bloom	seeds	
grow	flowers	worms	





## Fourth Grade

Fourth grade has been looking at figurative language in the class novel "Count Me In" by Varsha Bajaj. Using it as inspiration, we tried our hand at writing our own metaphors and similes!

AJLA is like Autumn  
a huge book the one  
that you want to read  
forever its like chocolate  
sweet and savory something  
like a treat its also bright

AJLA is Like a peaceful Place and caring Place.  
Also it is like a garden where flowers pop  
up to the sky when it gives us shine so we  
can come with happy faces and where we get  
are brain power!

David

AJLA is a peace of the sun with  
over 200 degrees of light and joy

Hiram

AJLA is a calm tree swaying in the wind letting  
its small branches sway and big branches grow

Nisa

## Second Grade

Second Grade is learning about climate change. A marine biologist Zoomed with the class from the Parley Ocean School in South Africa to share ways to keep the ocean safe and clean for its animals. Second grade has been busy doing many different writing pieces- from letter writing to reflection writing to activism posters- telling others how to keep the Earth healthy.



Silas, Journee, & DJ

Kholofelo Zoom Eriel  
Recycle bottle Trash  
Today a marine biologist  
came to visit us and she  
talked to us about cleaning  
our ocean. The one thing  
I learned from her is that  
we can recycle and reuse and  
reduce.

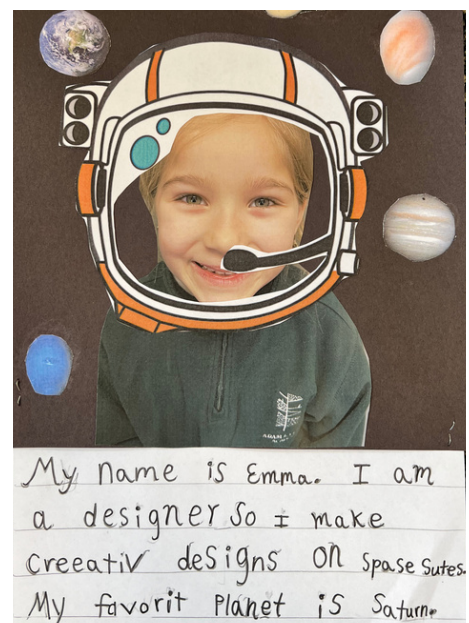
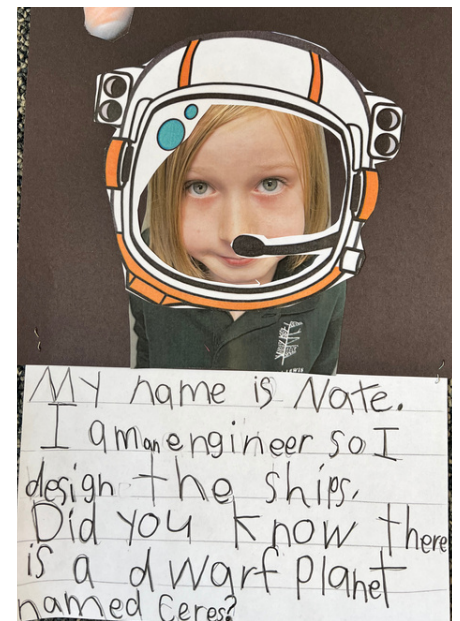
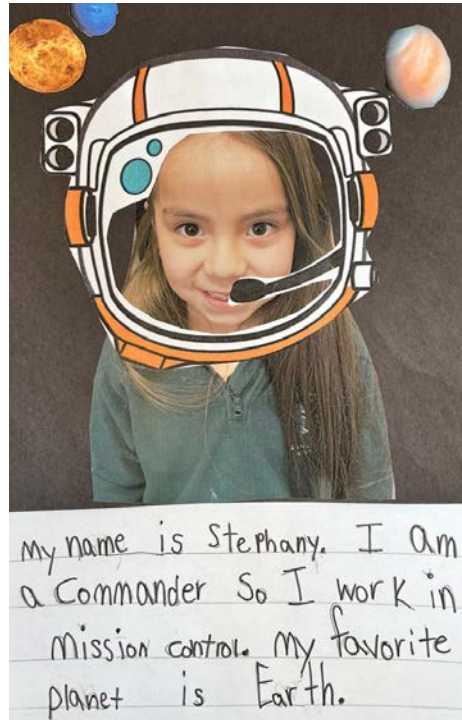
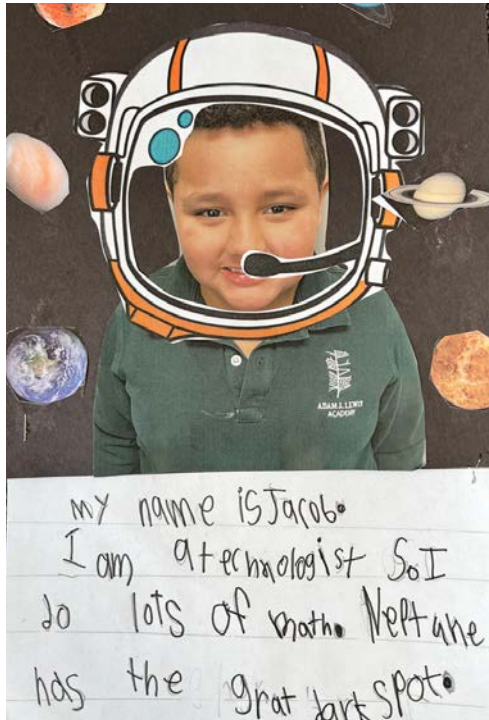


PARLEY  
Dear Kholofelo:  
Thank you so  
much for speaking to  
our class. I have a few  
questions. Have you been  
biting a shark?  
Have you swam with  
a shark? Have you  
met a catfish  
before? How do catfish  
use the bathroom? How do they  
eat and give birth?  
from  
Julia



# First Grade

First Graders have all gotten jobs at NASA! Students learned that NASA needs employees who have many different kinds of skills to help make space exploration possible. They have engineers, fashion designers, pilots, mission control commanders, technologists, and researchers working to investigate space and keep astronauts safe! Check out our Flight Crew Bios!



## THE AJLA WAY

"Rise Up & Write" will be highlighting a special character development trait that is a pillar of the AJLA community! Our word is RESILIENCE. Resilience is the ability to bounce back after challenges or tough times. Students can show this by persevering through hard things with courage and support, being flexible in their thinking and feeling, and recovering from challenges and setbacks with patience and forgiveness.

Visit the local library to find the books listed below and read about how the characters show resilience!

- "What Do You Do With a Problem?" by Kobi Yamada
- "Rosie Revere, Engineer" by Andrea Beaty
- "The Thing Lou Couldn't Do" by Ashley Spires
- "I am Courage: A Book of Resilience" by Susan Verde
- "Jabari Tries" by Gaia Cornwall

When I have trouble doing a math problem  
I don't give up and I try again.  
*Sophia Pena*