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Writing Prompts

for Elementary and Middle School



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WHAT'S THE STORY?

Directions: Every image conveys a unique story. What tale is the picture below telling? On the backside of this page, write a brief story to go along with, or explain with detail, what's happening in the picture. Answer the questions provided at your left to help you brainstorm your ideas before you begin writing.

WHO ARE THE SUBJECTS IN THE PICTURE?

WHAT IS THE SETTING OF THE PICTURE?

WHAT ARE THE SUBJECTS DOING?

WHAT ARE THE SUBJECTS SAYING?

HOW ARE THE SUBJECTS FEELING?

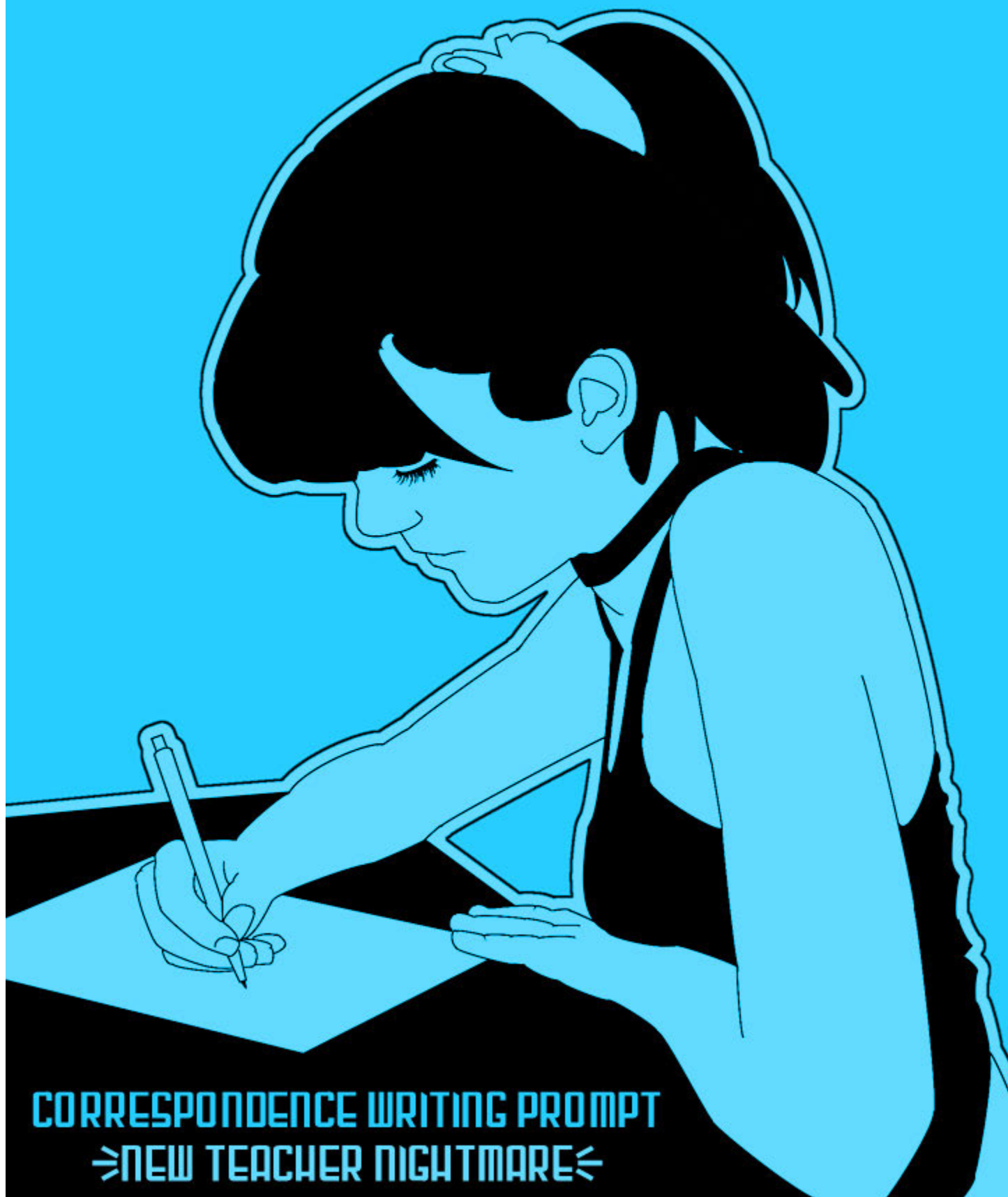
WHAT PROBLEM DO THE SUBJECTS FACE?



BEGIN WRITING YOUR STORY, OR DESCRIPTION ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE PICTURE, HERE:

THE END

READ AND RESPOND



CORRESPONDENCE WRITING PROMPT
⇒NEW TEACHER NIGHTMARE⇐

FROM THE DESK OF



MRS. DEMONINSKI

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Dear _____,

Let me introduce myself. My name is Lucy Demoninski. You must call me Mrs. Demoninski at all times, or you will be severely punished. Introductions aside, I am writing to tell you that I am thinking about taking over as your class's new teacher. But, before I do so, I would like to see if you're the kind of student who will be successful in my type of classroom. So, let me fill you in on how I like to teach.

Firstly, there will be no recess, free time, or special periods—such as fine arts, or physical education. You come to school to learn, and that stuff is pointless. So, with me as your teacher, you will study advanced subjects from very moment you walk through the door each day, in complete silence. In fact, I don't think you will even have lunch anymore. It's such a waste of time. If you get hungry during your studies, you may chew on your hand. I also believe in giving no fewer than ten pop quizzes each day and see no problem with extending each school day by a few hours.

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Quick Story Composition Prompt #5

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Pick a Character



Alvin



Beefy Joe



Cody



Henrietta

Step 2:

Select a Setting

Movie Theater

Interstate Highway

Home Living Room

Gas Station

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