WORD CHOICE: MINI LESSON 1 What Is It?

What is it exactly?
Using words in the writing
How can I do this?
· SNT
· Use a thesaurus, but make sure the word you pick sound natural
Helping Checklist:
· Do the words make sense in my writing?
Does the reader of my writing what is written?
· Have I used DESCRIPTIVE words?
Do the words sound to the piece I used?
Rating Writing Pieces:
1. "Mother Is Nice" Rating: Grade Level:
Provide Evidence:
2. "My Most Rewarding Moment" Rating: Grade Level:
Provide Evidence:
3. "A&W" Rating: Grade Level: Provide Evidence:

Rating Writing Pieces



way. The words are powerful and engaging. Words convey the intended message in an interesting and natural

*No dead words are used

*Full of sparkle words

*Uses only strong verbs

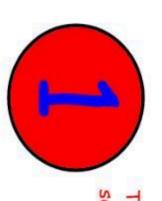
*Figurative language is used to help description, not confuse the reader

The words are functional, even if it lacks energy. Words rarely capture the reader's attention.

*Some words may be over-thesaurused

*Uses a few dead words, and still needs more sparkle words

*Some usages of figurative language confuses the reader



The writer has a limited vocabulary and has not searched for words with pizzazz.

*All words are dead words or over-thesaurused

*No sparkle words are used

*No figurative language was attempted to enhance detail