

Friday Photo Freewrites



Why do we need Friday Photo Freewrites?

In your end-of-the-semester reflections, many of you expressed a desire to do more writing, and to experiment with different genres of writing. To meet your needs, each Friday we will dedicate the first 15 minutes of class to freewriting. Our weekly writing experiments will hopefully get you excited about writing, introduce you to different types of writing, and inspire your creative side.

What are these?

The New York Times has a fantastic site called [“A Year of Picture Prompts: Over 160 Images To Inspire Writing.”](#) Each Friday, we will select a different, photo-inspired prompt and spend 15 minutes writing about it.

What are Ms. Leclaire’s expectations?

The expectations are simple: I want you to dedicate a full 15 minutes each Friday to indulging in each prompt. This needs to be a quiet, reflective, and creative time for each of you. You are welcome to take on whatever tone you think best suits the prompt, but I want you to give each one your all.

How are we graded?

I give you an Attempt & Completion grade for each Friday Freewrite. Then, at the end of each 6-week period, you will select one of the prompts you’ve already done to **revise** based on our IXL writing lessons; you will then **submit** it to me for feedback and a Mastery grade.

“I can shake off everything as I write; my sorrows disappear, my courage is reborn.”

— Anne Frank