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Writing Your First Blog Post

The day has finally arrived! You will be creating your first blog post. Just remember you will be starting off in the shallow end of the pool with “swimmies” on.

How exactly do you start? What exactly will you say? You are introducing yourself to the world. I know this sounds scary, but it really is not. You will need to take a look at your BPS Blogging and Commenting Guidelines. Be sure to have this out at your workstation while you are creating this post.

Let's get started:

Step 1:

Sign in to your *Google Drive*.

Step 2:

Create a new document and title it “*First Blog Post*.”

Step 3:

Start writing. What do you want the world to know about you? You should let your readers know this is your first experience blogging. You could let them know you are in seventh grade (or at least in middle school) and decide if you want to reveal your geographic location (not more specific than Massachusetts.) Telling them your name is a good idea. Now what you ask? What are some of your interests? You want to try to make a connection with your readers. Just start putting down your ideas and then you can tweak them later. Your first post should be about 5 or 6 good sentences long. Take a look at the structure of your sentences. Try to make them interesting; not all “subject predicate.”

For example: *I like baseball.* (This is a simple subject - predicate sentence.)

Instead try this: *Baseball is one of my passions.* OR

Next to pizza, baseball is one of my favorite things in the whole wide world.

Step 4:

Carefully go through your draft. Check for capitalization, punctuation, correct grammar and spelling.

Step 5:

Put your name (first and last) and ILT# at the bottom of this document.**

**This information is for me. This will not be included when you are ready to publish this post on your blog. You will print this doc and turn it into me at the end of class. I need to know which post is yours!!! (“old school”)

Step 6:

Read your post out loud to see how it “sounds.” Remember, you want your readers to feel as if you are having a conversation with them.

Step 7:

Print your document. You will be turning this into Mrs. White at the end of class; your “*Ticket to Leave*.”

