

Figure 7.6: Whole-Group Writing Checklist

- Explicitly state learning objectives.
- Explicitly teach narrative, informative, and opinion writing.
- Use teacher write-alouds.
- Introduce interactive writing experiences.
- Explicitly teach and model standards-aligned skills.
- Instruct on vocabulary, word work, and foundational skills.
- Ask students to apply skills to authentic writing experiences.
- Use the gradual release of responsibility model.
- Embed opportunities for engagement and student discourse.