

50 ready-to-write continuous-writing prompts, grouped by the values most often tested. Primary 5–6.

PSLE continuous writing gives **one topic and three pictures** — your child must pick an angle and write a focused story. The strongest scripts don't just retell events; they build to a clear **theme or value** and let the character change. Use this bank to drill planning under time, one prompt per session.

Plan first: 5 min — who, problem, turning point, ending

Strong opening: start in a moment, not "One day..."

Show, don't tell: use actions & senses, not "I was sad"

Land the theme: close by naming what was learnt

THEME 1

Perseverance

1. Write about a time you kept trying at something even after failing many times.
2. Write about a competition you almost gave up on — but didn't.
3. Write about learning a difficult skill that finally clicked.
4. Write about a long task that tested your patience.
5. Write about someone whose hard work inspired you to keep going.
6. Write about a goal you reached only after starting over.

THEME 2

Honesty

1. Write about a time you owned up to a mistake that no one saw you make.
2. Write about returning something valuable that was not yours.
3. Write about a lie that grew bigger than you expected.
4. Write about telling the truth even though it cost you something.
5. Write about a time you were trusted to keep a promise.
6. Write about discovering that a friend had not been honest with you.

THEME 3

Kindness & Helping Others

1. Write about a small act of kindness that made a big difference.
2. Write about helping a stranger who needed it.
3. Write about a time you helped someone you did not get along with.
4. Write about giving up something you wanted so another person could have it.
5. Write about a day you volunteered or helped in your community.
6. Write about being helped by someone when you least expected it.
7. Write about cheering up a friend who was having a hard day.

THEME 4

Courage & Overcoming Fear

1. Write about a time you did something that frightened you.
2. Write about standing up for someone who was being treated unfairly.
3. Write about facing a fear you had carried for a long time.
4. Write about speaking up when it would have been easier to stay quiet.
5. Write about an emergency in which you stayed calm.
6. Write about trying something new despite being nervous.
7. Write about a brave choice you saw someone else make.

THEME 5

A Difficult Decision

1. Write about a choice you had to make with very little time.
2. Write about deciding between what was easy and what was right.
3. Write about a decision you later regretted.
4. Write about choosing between two things you both wanted.
5. Write about a decision that affected your whole family.
6. Write about a time you had to choose between two friends.

THEME 6

A Lesson Learnt

1. Write about a mistake that taught you something important.
2. Write about a time things did not go as planned.
3. Write about advice you ignored — and wished you hadn't.
4. Write about realising you had judged someone too quickly.
5. Write about a habit you changed after something went wrong.
6. Write about a day that did not turn out as you expected.

THEME 7

Friendship

1. Write about a quarrel with a friend and how you made up.
2. Write about a new friend you made in an unusual way.
3. Write about a friend who stood by you in a hard time.
4. Write about a misunderstanding that nearly ended a friendship.
5. Write about a promise you kept for a friend.
6. Write about saying goodbye to a friend who was moving away.

THEME 8

A Memorable Day

1. Write about a day you will never forget.
2. Write about a celebration that did not go to plan.
3. Write about an outing where something unexpected happened.
4. Write about a day you felt truly proud of yourself.
5. Write about a surprise that changed how you felt about someone.
6. Write about the best — or worst — day of the school holidays.