**Information Writing Pre and Post Assessment Suggestion**

The Day Before Giving the Assessment: *Think of a topic that you’ve studied or that you know a lot about. Tomorrow during writing workshop, you will write an informational (or all-about) text that teaches others interesting and important information and ideas about that topic. Think about something you know a lot about, and can teach others about, so that you can use the whole time tomorrow to write.*

The Day of the Assessment: *Think of a topic that you’ve studied or that you know a lot about. Today you will have the whole writing workshop time to write an informational (or all-about) text that teaches others interesting and important information and ideas about that topic. You will write your whole story today. Write in a way that shows all that you know about information writing.*

Read aloud the following, written on a large piece of chart paper:

In your writing, make sure you:

* Introduce the topic you will teach.
* Include lots of information.
* Organize your writing.
* Use transition words.
* Write an ending.

**Pose the same prompt to students at the end of the unit to document progress.**