

My Favorite—or Not So Favorite—Holiday



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Our families and friends celebrate lots of holidays each year. Do you have a favorite holiday? Write about your favorite—or not-so-favorite—holiday. Be sure to use facts and details to support why this is or is NOT your favorite holiday of the whole year.

You can use the graphic organizer to help you plan your writing.

Be sure to

- 1. Have an introduction that tells why this holiday is or is NOT your favorite holiday.
- 2. Have body paragraphs that have topic sentences and details to support each new idea
- 3. Write a conclusion that connects to your focus or tells a lesson you have learned about holidays.
- 4. Use different kinds of sentences—statements, questions, and exclamations.
- 5. Use descriptive words to connect your ideas.
- 6. Use complete sentences and correct punctuation and spelling.
- 7. Add an illustration that supports your focus.

Use the planning chart below to organize your reasons and supporting facts. Then use these details to write your opinion on this topic.

Details: Give specific reasons.	Elaborations: Explain, give examples, say more about why this supports your reason.

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