My Adventure As A Crayon!

Writing Art-Inspired Stories



CONNECT your imagination with your skills as an author and illustrator. Pretend you are a crayon and write how you would introduce yourself in an adventurous narrative.

HERE'S ONE IDEA THAT WILL SPARK YOUR IMAGINATION.

Hi!

I'm Razzmatazz, a brightly colored, fully wrapped crayon. After a long journey through wax melting and molding, I am ready to help you create new adventures on paper! I can't reveal the secret formula used in my manufacturing, but I can tell you that I got so hot it melted my heart. I then cooled down into a strong stick before I was wrapped in a paper blanket with my name on it. I felt lonely until I joined new friends in a box bursting with 24 different colors. We share one purpose—to help kids be creative, every day! We were made to be enjoyed until our last smidgen of color is used up! I'm ecstatic that we are going on a story adventure together. Just imagine that you are a crayon, too! Write and illustrate a tale that describes your colorful experiences.



RESPOND to Razzmatazz's introduction by imagining your life as a crayon. How will you introduce yourself? Your story can start in any setting or situation and provide readers with clues about your personality. Are you energetic and excited like Razzmatazz, mellow like Yellow, or blue like Periwinkle? Is your story going to start in the crayon factory or a later aspect of your life? Perhaps we'll meet as you emerge from a shipping crate and are stacked on a store shelf, eagerly waiting for a kid to pick your box. Or your adventure might start when you are taken into a child's home



or school, emerging from the backpack into a world of desks and bells and fingers still sticky from the lunchroom. Your story might focus on some of your favorite ways of expressing yourself on paper—maybe



rolling along a large swath of mural paper or tapping your point to create a pointillism scene. Some crayon stories can express bravery and resilience as they describe recovering from being left in a hot car where they melted into a colorful puddle, then firmed up again as a multi-colored swash that blended several sticks. Your crayon can go anywhere and do anything you imagine!

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CREATE your own written and illustrated crayon adventure story. Use rich vocabulary and vivid illustrations that help readers see your colorful life!



PRESENT a dramatic performance of *My Adventures As A Crayon*. Use an animated voice, lively facial expressions, and interesting body motions to bring your crayon character's personality and experiences to life. You might add a colorful costume, hat, or other props. Consider including some background music and sound effects to set the mood and add emphasis to the adventure.

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