

Effective Writers...

Written Conversation Sentence Starters

- Write for a specific audience
 - I am not sure who your audience is because...
 - Who are you trying to write this for?
 - It doesn't sound like you are talking to... Maybe you should try...
- Have a title that goes with the writing
 - I like your title because...
 - I don't think your title works because...
 - I think you should try...
- Have an interesting beginning
 - I like how you started your story because...
 - I don't like how you started your story because...
 - Maybe you should try...
 - If I were going to revise this beginning I would use a (sound, quote, description)...
- Have an ending that sums up the writing
 - I like your ending because...
 - I think your ending needs work because...
 - If I were going to revise this ending I would...
- May use conversation/dialogue
 - When you were using conversation I noticed...
 - I think using conversation made your story more interesting because...
 - I liked when your character said... because...
 - You might try adding a conversation when/about...
- Clearly explain what they are writing
 - I was confused when...
 - I wanted you to add more detail when...
 - I think you clearly explained the part when...

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- Write in an order that makes sense
 - I think your story made sense because...
 - I think you should move around these sentences...because...
- Create a picture in the reader's mind (vivid verbs, adjectives, and adverbs)
 - I like when you used the words...because...
 - I think you could take out the word... and use... instead because...
 - I think you need to add more detail when...because...
- May use humor
 - I thought it was funny when...
 - I think you could add some humor when...
- Help the writing make more sense, sound better, and look better by
 - Crossing out words if they are boring, don't sound right, or repeat words
 - I think you could cross out the words...
 - You repeat the word...
 - I think it might be boring when you say...Try this instead...
 - Adding information to make it more interesting or more clear
 - I think you need to add more information when...because...
 - Using different, more interesting words
 - I think you could use a more interesting word when you said...
 - Taking out extra information
 - I don't think you need... because...
 - Moving words around
 - I think you can move ... around because...