



March

Journal Starts

<p>Mark Twain was the pen name of Samuel Clemens. Invent a pen name for yourself, and explain why you would want that name printed on the books you would someday publish.</p>	<p>Write detailed directions from school to your house. Be sure to include landmarks and street names.</p>	<p>Imagine you are walking down the street with friends and find an old abandoned car. You can't believe what's inside. Write a short story about what happens next.</p>	<p>Describe the most stressful thing in your life at the moment.</p>	<p>Write a letter or a poem to your mother, father, or another close relative, expressing your feelings for that person.</p>
<p>Imagine you are being awarded the Diamond Pen Prize for your writing ability. Write the acceptance speech you will give at the awards ceremony.</p>	<p>Describe an experience you've had that showed you the true meaning of friendship.</p>	<p>If you were to join a circus, what act would you perform?</p>	<p>"The dog ate my homework" is a typical excuse used by students. Think of some more creative lines for students to use when they have not completed their assignments.</p>	<p>Imagine you have been hired to work in a fortune cookie factory. Your job is to write the fortunes. Write at least 10 fortunes. They can be serious or humorous.</p>
<p>Write about something sad that once happened to you.</p>	<p>Why do you think your teacher became a teacher?</p>	<p>Imagine severe weather is about to strike your neighborhood and you have to evacuate in the next thirty minutes. What would you do to prepare to leave? What would you take with you?</p>	<p>Describe the perfect meal for a summer afternoon.</p>	<p>Describe the perfect meal for a snowy winter night.</p>
<p>Describe your most prized possession and explain why you treasure it.</p>	<p>Describe the house of your dreams. Provide as many details as possible about each of the rooms.</p>	<p>Think of a new product that would appeal to people your age. Name your product and write the script for a radio commercial for it.</p>	<p>Every family has stories that are repeated at family gatherings. Write your favorite family story.</p>	<p>Describe as many ways as you can to make someone smile.</p>
<p>Pretend that you are a child living on a farm one hundred years ago. Write your personal journal entry for a day.</p>	<p>Alliteration is the repetition of a consonant sound. Choose any consonant and write a paragraph using many words that begin with that letter.</p>	<p>Imagine something incredible has happened in your town. Write the words a television announcer could read to describe the event to his or her viewers.</p>	<p>If you were an Olympic athlete, what would be your best event? Describe how you would feel if you won a gold medal.</p>	<p>If an author were to make you the main character in a book, what kind of book might it be? What would the story be about?</p>