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WRITING TIPS

1 Take a minute to think before you start writing. Review what happened in the text, browse any text annotations you made, think about how you related to the characters' situation/emotions in today's scenes.

2 Put your phone/chromebook/tablet away. Distractions can easily pull you out of the writing flow.

3 If you feel like you are stuck or have nothing else to say, but we still have writing time left, re-read what you have written. This might inspire more ideas. Or, you can go back and add in details to your response that you did not include the first time around.

4 You can always go back to the text/prompt/image for clues. reminders, ideas to add.

5 Before submitting your work, whisper read your work aloud to yourself. This will help you catch small, easy to fix errors.

6 Listen to an instrumental playlist to create a blanket of white noise that will help you focus on your task, rather than the distractions surrounding you. Try this video! (link: https://youtu.be/aHVFKDZRC3g)

CONCENTRATE AND FOCUS PLAYLIST