

Name:

Due Date:

Topic: Sports and Hobbies

Skill: Parts of Speech – Verbs; Form of Writing - Expository

### Topic Description

For this assignment you are to write two paragraphs. In the first paragraph you will write about the sports you like to participate in and/or those you like to watch. Describe the necessary equipment and rules, and a favorite moment while playing or watching a game.

In the second paragraph write about another activity you enjoy when not in school. Do you collect rocks, take pictures, cross-stitch? These are hobbies. Choose one and explain how a person who's interested might begin. For example, if scrap booking is your hobby, comment on the materials needed, resources that might be helpful, and an example of one of your favorite pages. How did you get interested in this hobby? Why is it a good hobby?

To add interest to your writing, include at least **three strong, descriptive verbs**. Consult a thesaurus to find verbs to replace common action verbs.

### Skill Description

A verb in a sentence may be used to show action. Every sentence has at least one.

#### Examples of strong, descriptive verbs:

**dart** (instead of run)

**saunter** (instead of walk)

**whimper** (instead of cry)

**soar** (instead of fly)

I used these strong, descriptive verbs:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

**Expository writing** is writing that explains. When you explain the equipment needed for a sport or hobby or how to play a game, you are using the expository form.

## **ME Book Rubric**

<b>Me</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Objective</b>
		<b>Used at least three strong, descriptive verbs (3 pts)</b>
		<b>Proofread for spelling, grammar, and punctuation (2 pts)</b>
		<b>Content is appropriate</b>
		<b>Includes a title, border, and picture</b>
		<b>Includes your name on front and back</b>
		<b>Mounted on colored construction paper</b>
		<b>Handed in on time clipped to this assignment sheet</b>
		<b>Total Points</b>