

A Writing Task

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Nina woke up and felt inspired. This was a good thing because she had a big task before her. She needed to write a thank-you note to Gram.

Gram was the kind of grandma who always sent birthday gifts, and she liked getting a note about the gift. Gram took so much pride in her gifts that Nina would not want to let her down!

On her birthday, Nina had been thrilled to unwrap the gift and see the two graphic novels Gram had sent her. Gram must have consulted Nina's mom because they were the exact novels that Nina had been wanting to get.

The novels were about the Vixenden School and a gang of students, who were foxes, who always got into complicated problems. The novels were fantastical and

whimsical but not too childish. They were full of wit and fun.

Nina got some scrap paper and made a list of what she wanted to communicate. One thing she would tell Gram was how much she liked having a graphic novel to put in her backpack. It was splendid to have a novel to escape into for her long bus rides to and from school.

Before long, Nina had a complete list of what she wanted to write. Then she wrote her final note while things were fresh in her mind. Nina gazed at her finished note and smiled. She knew Gram was going to like it a lot.