

just seven minutes...

Vermont Writes Day - February 7, 2012 -

Can you spare
just seven minutes?

Join schools across Vermont

Set aside just 7 minutes
on February 7
to write!

Respond to the
suggested prompts
or write about
anything you want.

Write in class
or post on a special web site
open only that day:
vermontwriteday.org

*Best work may be published
in YWP's weekly newspaper series.*



YOUNG
WRITERS
PROJECT

SUGGESTED PROMPTS

Wildest excuse ever: You've just remembered that a homework assignment is due *in an hour*. Craft the wildest excuse ever that someone would believe.

Tropical Storm Irene: Pick a recent moment that reminded you of the impact of Tropical Storm Irene. Share a story.

Conversation: Imagine you are meeting someone famous – from present day or the past – describe the encounter.

Time and Space: If you could be anywhere in time and space for just one day, where would you go and why?

First lines. Choose one and write a story, poem or essay:

“Walking to school yesterday, I discovered the most amazing thing...”

“The first thing I remember...”

“It was 7 minutes after midnight. The dog was lying on the grass in the middle of the lawn in front of Mrs. Shears’ house . . .” (*The opening of “The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time” by Mark Haddon*)

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