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# APPLICANT WRITING SAMPLE

*for students applying to the English Language  
 and Culture Summer Program*

*Directions for Students:* Choose one of the topics below to write about. Do your writing on your own, **without help from anyone else**. Use the lines below to write your response in your own handwriting.

*Topics for Writing Sample:*

1. Write a story about the best time that you have ever had. What were you doing? Who was with you? Where were you? Why was this the best time ever? Give enough details in the story to show the reader what happened.
2. Imagine that you are digging in a park near where you live and you find an old trunk. When you open the trunk, you discover something very different than what you expected. Write a story about finding the old trunk. Be sure to describe what you find inside the trunk and what happens after you open it.
3. Tell about a tradition or an experience that is important to you. For example, maybe you have a special meal that you eat, a holiday that you celebrate, or a certain place that you go each year on vacation. Give enough details for readers to understand why it is important to you.

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*Please contact Summer Program Director ([summer@bement.org](mailto:summer@bement.org)) with any questions regarding this application.*

