Rationale:

This resource contains printables for writers to practice nonfiction writing, including:

1. Choosing a Topic
2. Using Key Words
3. Creating a Glossary
4. Choosing Subtopics
5. Creating an Index
6. Creating a Table of Contents
7. Using Text Boxes
8. Vocabulary Words
9. Text introductions One
10. Text Introductions Two
11. Text Introductions Three
12. Text Introductions Four
13. Nonfiction Graphics One
14. Nonfiction Graphics Two
15. Nonfiction Graphics Three
16. Using Captions
17. Story Elements
18. Share Your Opinion

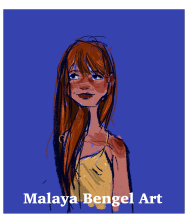
These pages are great for big kids to practice many different nonfiction writing strategies.

The printable pages in this resource can be used in several ways, including:

- As daily morning work to review writing work skills
- During guided writing small groups
- During independent writing time or centers
- To work with partners and small groups
- As an assessment for teachers to monitor students' writing abilities
- As homework review sheets
- As a quick and fun 10 minute time filler.
- As 'when you're finished' additional work for students
- To use with substitute teachers

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"Using Key Words"

Name: _____ Date: _____

What To Do:

Think about your nonfiction topic you are writing about. Make a list of key words that you may want to include in your nonfiction writing about this topic. Then write what each words means.

My Topic: _____

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Challenge:

Circle the key words you are definitely planning to use in your writing piece. On the back of this page, tell why each word is important to include in your writing.

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"Using Text Boxes"

Name: _____ Date: _____

What To Do:

Text boxes are smaller pieces of writing, often with one important fact, or surprising detail. They are found on the sides of the pages in nonfiction texts. For each of your subtopics, choose one fact or surprising detail to make into a text box.

My Topic: _____

Subtopic:	Subtopic:	Subtopic:
Text Box:	Text Box:	Text Box:
Subtopic:	Subtopic:	Subtopic:
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Challenge:

Cut out each subtopic. On the back of each piece, explain why each of the facts you chose are special enough to stand out in their own text boxes.

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