

The Academy for Witches: Writing Prompts



These resources may contain spoilers, so please be careful if you have not finished the book yet!



My Favourite Subject

Imagine you are a student at the London Academy for Witches. What is your favourite subject and why? Describe what you do in the lessons and what you like about your professor.

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House Cat or House Crow

Are you a Cat or a Crow? Choose which House you think you would belong to. Describe your personality and explain why this House is right for you.

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My Own Spell

Invent your own magical spell. What is the spell called? What words do you say? What does it do? When would you use it?

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My Magical Plant

Create your own magical plant for Professor Verde's Herbology class. What does it look like? Where does it grow? What magical powers does it have? Is it useful or dangerous?

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Magical Animals

Imagine that Professor Celeste introduces a new magical animal to the class. Describe the animal, its appearance, its personality and its magical abilities.

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My First Night

It is your first night at the Academy. Write a diary entry. How did you arrive? Who did you meet? Which House did you join? How do you feel about starting your magical education?

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Broom Racing

Imagine you are taking part in your first broom race. Describe the race from beginning to end. Where do you fly? What problems do you have? Do you win?

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Strange Noises at Night

You hear a strange noise in the Academy during the night. You look outside and see something moving in the darkness. What do you do? Write what happens next.

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My Perfect Day

Design your perfect day at the Academy. Choose your lessons, your teachers, the food you eat, the people you spend time with and what you do during your free time.

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Construction at the Academy

Imagine that you can add one new place to the Academy. It could be a classroom, a secret room, a garden, a tower or something completely different. Describe the place, explain where it is and tell us what happens there.

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I'm a Witch!

Imagine you have just discovered that you are a witch. How do you feel? Who do you tell first? What questions do you have about your new life?

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A Letter to My Family

Write a letter home from the Academy. Tell your family about your classes, your friends, your dormitory and one surprising thing that happened during the week.

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My Own Potion

Invent a new potion for Professor Thistle's class. What is it called?
What ingredients do you need? What colour is it? What happens when
someone drinks it?

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A Very Strange Book

Imagine you find a mysterious book in the Red Section of the library. What does the book look like? Why is it protected? What happens when you try to open it?

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A New Badge

Create a new badge for Academy students to earn. What does the badge look like? What must a student do to earn it? Why is this achievement important?

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Spending Time with Teachers

Imagine you can spend one afternoon with one professor from the Academy. Which professor do you choose? What do you do together? What do you learn?

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A New House Competition

Imagine there is a new competition between House Cat and House Crow. What is the competition? What are the rules? Which skills do the students need to win?

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Flying over London

You are flying above London on your broom for the first time. Describe what you can see, how you feel and where you decide to go.

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A New Magical Subject

Create a new magical subject for the Academy. What is the subject called? What do students learn? Who teaches it? What happens in a typical lesson?

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A Big Feast

You are chosen to organise a special feast in the Main Hall. What food and drinks do you choose? How is the hall decorated? What magical entertainment is there?

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A Mysterious Delivery

You receive a mysterious package in the dormitory. There is no name on it. What is inside? Who sent it? What happens after you open it?

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I Am the Headmistress

Imagine you are Headmistress of the Academy for one day. What rules would you change? What new activities would you introduce? What would you do to make the Academy safer or more enjoyable?

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Another Academy

Imagine you could visit another Academy for Witches somewhere in the world. Where would it be? What would the school look like? What would the students study there?

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Five Years Later

Imagine Lucy five years after the end of the book. What kind of witch has she become? What does she do after leaving the Academy? What do you think happened to Charlie and the other students?

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