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# A 6 +1 TRAITS LOG



**IDEAS: DEVELOPMENT** *Original and fresh perspectives on which to focus.*

"Journal Discipline": Six Minute Magic

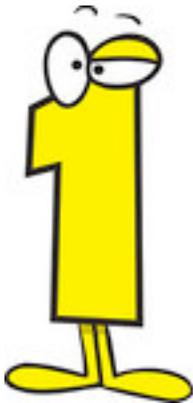
Like stretching before your workout, daily journaling "loosens" up the writing muscles. Though lacking a direct link to achievement, numerous other benefits can be found. Six minutes is all you need!

"Poetry 180": Just Read It [www.loc.gov/poetry/180](http://www.loc.gov/poetry/180)

Research shows that among our students love of poetry diminishes with age, arguably due to lack of exposure. Share a poem a day with your class: no analysis required!

6 +1 Traits: Qualities of Good Writing

Six +1 Traits can provide a common language to discuss and identify the qualities of good writing. So whether you hate redwoods or love foxes, this approach to analytic assessment can facilitate the, "change from a model that picks winners to a model that creates winners" (Hodgkinson).



**ORGANIZATION: STRUCTURE** *Enhancing ideas. Making it easier to understand.*

- Early Bird Raffle
- Journal Writing
- Quote of the Day
- Poem of the Day
- YouTube of the Day
- Log
- Demo
- Lunch
- Discussion Appointments
- Writing Time
- Peer Response Groups
- Closing



**VOICE: STYLE, PURPOSE, AUDIENCE** You feel something. You want to share it with someone else.

Quote of the Day

From Voltaire's "Kindle": "Originality is nothing but judicious imitation."

From Montaigne "The Boys and the Bees": "Bees ransack flowers... but they make their own honey... Similarly the boy..."

From Boloz "Language": "There is a need for each student to be heard."

Poem of the Day

Visit "Poetry 180" at [www.loc.gov/poetry/180](http://www.loc.gov/poetry/180)

YouTube of the Day

"Choose What Happens Next: Out of Your Hands"



**SENTENCE FLUENCY: CORRECTNESS, RHYTHM, CADENCE**

Feel the words and phrases flow together as you read it aloud.

Peer Response Group



**WORD CHOICE: LANGUAGE AND PHRASING**

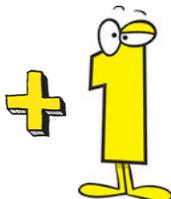
Variety, originality, and accuracy are valued over redundancy, jargon, redundancy, and slang.

Writing Time

**CONVENTIONS: MECHANICAL CORRECTNESS** Consider all the key components.

Changes Make sure you have the updated demo schedule.

Save the Place: Monday's afternoon meeting is in Room 272.



**PRESENTATION:** Pleasing to the eye. Enhances the ability to connect with the message.

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