

Learner-generated Texts

| Ideas for Learner-generated Texts | |
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| Item | Description |
| Shared experience | Students develop a text based on a novel or exciting experience they shared. |
| Students' newsletters | Students share their good and bad news with the class, which is collated into a newsletter, post or website by the instructor or tech-savvy student. |
| Picture stories | Learners view a series of pictures, then dictate the story of what they see happening and the instructor transcribes. |
| Responding to a photograph or visual | Students write a caption or a comment to a picture or photo. |
| Transcribed recorded conversations | Short conversations that have been recorded can be transcribed verbatim or for the gist. |
| Journal entries | Students can write public or private short texts on assigned or self-generated topics. |
| Texts from wordless books | Students can create text to accompany books without words. |
| Photo books | Students make storybooks out of photos they take themselves, find on the Internet, or in magazines, newspapers, etc. They can narrate these stories orally or in writing. |
| Class posters | Students create posters about themselves, their families, or any topic of interest with pictures and text. |
| Overheard student stories | Students write stories they overhear from strangers on the bus, in the supermarket, etc. |

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