

Three Hundred Composition Subjects

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SOME of the subjects in the following list may be found suitable for either the upper grades of the Public School or the High School. In all cases composition subjects should be related to the experience and interests of the pupils, and in place of some of the subjects here given, the teacher should substitute others relating to local conditions. The writer has not attempted to classify these subjects, as in many cases they may be made the basis of narration, exposition or description, according to the way they are viewed.

The Schoolroom Clock Makes a Speech. Our Snowball Fight. "Yes, I once Met a Ghost." Crossing the Ocean. A Grain Elevator. The Boat Race. Hallowe'en. A Picture I Like. The Burglar. A Discussion that I Overheard. How We Climbed the Mountain. When the Creek Rose. A Beehive. When the Circus Comes to Town. Picking Berries. Learning to Swim. The Story of an Umbrella. The Rainbow. Hunting Rabbits. The Great Snowstorm. Locked Out. A Freak of Nature. A Gypsy Camp. Spearing Fish by Night. My First Day at Manual Labour. When Our House Took Fire. A Serenade. With the Section Gang. How I Came Near Drowning. A Street Car Incident. Some Dinners I Like: Some I do not. Lost in the Woods. A Visit to the Factory. A Ride on the Locomotive. Why I Joined the Regiment. Taking a Flashlight. A Bootblack for a Forenoon. My Camera. If the Gulf Stream Changed its Course. The House Fly, or the Mosquito. A Plea for the Pedestrian. Early Rising. Why I Wish to Travel. Why I Prefer to Live in Canada. Picture Post-Cards. A Ride on Horseback. A Cup of Coffee. The Paper Chase. "I Think it Better to Stay on the Farm." A Sunset. My Class-room. An Accident to My Bicycle. An Apple Tree. My Walk to School. The Chariot Race (from Ben-Hur). The Creek. A Loaf of Bread. The Stage Driver. My Window Plants. Ulysses and the Cyclops. A Pet Animal. In the Hay Field. An Adventure in the Woods. The Hill. How to Make a Kite. My First Canoe Trip. My Summer on a Farm. In the Pine Woods. The Lighting of the Streets. From the Window of a Railway Train. Ten below Zero! The Pioneer Describes an Adventure. When the Train Comes in. Dynamite. The House I Should Like to Own. The Difference Between a Thermometer and a Barometer. The Playground. A Letter Telling of a Burglary. A Visit to a Battlefield. How to Take a Snap-shot. Recess in the Country School. The Street When the Leaves are Falling. The Lady or the Tiger (Stockton). "When I was Young," said Grandfather. John Bull and Uncle Sam. A Sugar-Making Camp. Taking a Short Cut—a story. When I lost my Way. The Ballad of Sir Patrick Spens. A Bonfire on the Beach. The Eclipse of the Moon. How to play Tennis. The Story of an Elm Tree. The Newsboys. How I Learned to Ride on Horseback. An Inlet on the Lake Shore. The Express Train. The Chipmunk and the Red Squirrel. When the Fish-boat Comes in. "I Once met with an Accident in which I Came near Losing my Life." A Robin's Nest. Should we give to Beggars? My First Night under Canvas. What is a Paragraph? Why England is called "The Mistress of the Seas". The Hurdy-Gurdy. Caught in the Rain. The Ballad of Rosabelle. Why I Joined the Cadet Corps. The Golden Scales (Addison). My Fish Story. "Now the Day is Over, Night is Drawing