

WRITING GOAL: Write an Explanatory Text

An explanatory text uses information to explain something. It increases readers' knowledge and helps them understand a topic better.



Writing Tip

Use transitions like *also, in fact,* and *as well* to introduce more information.

Get Ready to Write

Read the explanatory text. Underline the transitions.

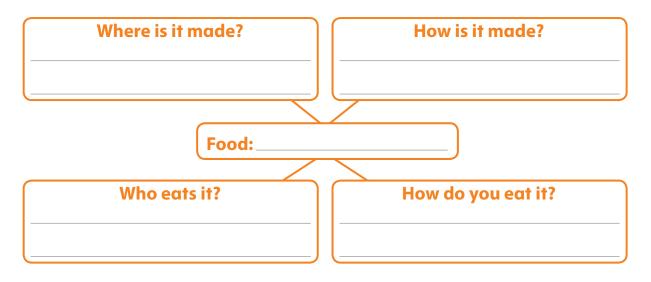
The word "curry" can be used to describe many different dishes. Curries are usually dishes in sauce, and they often use rice, as well. The sauce may be spicy because most use a variety of herbs and spices for flavor. In fact, some use dried chilies. The exact herbs and spices used will be different depending on where the cook is from. Some curries just have vegetables, but other curries also have meat or fish.

B Read the paragraph. Write *also, in fact,* or *as well*.

Sushi is often made with uncooked fish. The fish is rolled in rice and seaweed. Cooks must carefully choose the fish so it doesn't make people sick. Cooked ingredients can be used, ______. ____, some sushi rolls use vegetables or fruit. Sushi is ______, often served with pickled ginger and wasabi, which is a spicy green paste.

Write

C Think about another food you would like to know more about. Find information about the food. Complete the chart.



D Now write an explanatory text about that food. Remember to use transitions.

MY WRITING GOAL

I can write an explanatory text about a food.

I can use *also, in fact,* and *as well* to introduce more information.

Teacher Comments:						