

## Procedural Writing Checklist

The procedural writing provides the reader with instructions or directions for doing something. A 'How To' document is procedural writing.

## Examples of procedural writing include:

- recipes
- experiments
- directions to locations
- how to documentation (how to build a snowman, play soccer, use a specific website, make a sand castle etc.)
- provide instructions
- give rules for board games, sports, home, school etc.
- how to do something
- how to make or play something
- explains how to do something
- gives step by step procedures to make something

## Procedural Writing Needs To:

- 1. Clearly state a goal or objective.
- 2. Provide an overview or list of materials or resources needed.
- 3. Address any safety procedures that need to be followed.
- 4. Include all the steps for the procedure.
- 5. State instruction that are completely sequential in a step by step fashion, leaving nothing out. Use words like, first, next, then, finally....
- 6. The reader needs to be able to follow the procedural writing fully without having to make any <u>assumptions</u>.