WRITING

PLANNING:

☐ Identify the reader - Who is going to read this?

☐ Identify the purpose – What message do I wish to communicate?

☐ Identify the text type – What are the features of this text type?

☐ Use the given scaffolding example for this text type.

GETTING STARTED:

The following strategies can be used to motivate and assist you with planning a piece of writing

☐ Brainstorming

☐ Mind-mapping

☐ 5 W’s & H (main idea – who, what, where, why, when, how)

☐ Paragraphs

  main idea                          (topic sentence)
  explanation                (supporting sentences)
  example                                     “ “ sum up/lead into next idea (closing sentence)

Hamburger Model for writing a paragraph
PARAGRAPHS

1. Topic sentence

2. Supporting sentences (explanation, example)

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4. Closing sentence

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