

TUNING MY WRITING VOICE

Voice is the personality you can hear in the writing. It might be a silly sense of humor like in the book series *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* and *Junie B. Jones*, or a sincere and heartfelt tone like in the Newbery Award Winner *Bud, Not Buddy*. The voice, or personality, of the narrator emerges through the language, phrases, idioms, similes, and word choice. Get in tune with your writing voice by thinking about how you express yourself.



When I'm disappointed I say...	"Oh, no! The bus is gone. I guess I can't go on the field trip."
When I'm frustrated I say...	
When I'm excited I say...	
When I'm bored I say...	
When I'm grossed out I say...	
When I lose I say...	
When I win I say...	
When I walk in late I say...	
When I hurt someone I say...	
When I get hurt I say...	
When I'm surprised I say...	
When I meet someone new I say...	
When I make a mistake I say...	