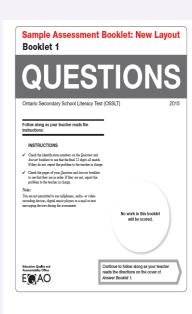
Short Writing Tasks

- demonstrate YOUR writing skills using YOUR knowledge and personal experience
- Responses must be
 - specific to the prompt provided
 - focused on the main idea
 - clearly stated in complete sentences
 - use conventions (spelling, grammar, punctuation) which do not interfere with meaning

• six lines only



Short Writing Task Tips

- Read and reread the question carefully. Ask yourself ...
 - What are you being asked to talk about?
 - What personal experiences or knowledge can you use to answer?
 - Take a few moments to re-read your response and make sure you are answering the question.
- Re-phrase the question to help you start your answer. Start responding by re-wording the topic. For example, if the topic is: "What is your favorite holiday?" Start with "My favorite holiday is..."
- If it is hard to make a personal connection to the question think about something in a friend's life, an event in a movie or book that is connected to the topic. **Stay on topic!**
- Write in the ANSWER booklet. Do not leave it blank!

