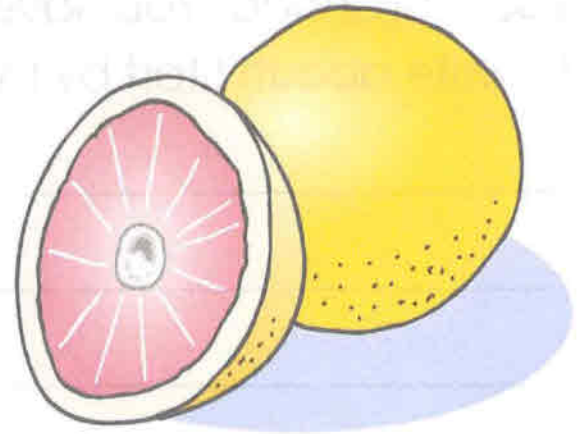


Lesson 4 List It

Making a list is one way to gather and record ideas before you begin to write. Trey is going to write about his favorite fruit. Here is his list.

grapefruit:
sour
sweet
sprinkled with sugar
pink
broiled
juicy



Maya wants to write about toads. She knows a few things, but she also needs to learn a few things. She listed what she knows. Then, she wrote some questions.

toads:
brown
lumpy
warts?
What do they eat?
Where do they live?



Pretend that you are going to write about a food that you like to eat. List everything you know about the food. Remember to think about how it looks, sounds, smells, feels, and tastes.

Lesson 4 List It

Sometimes, writers use lists to help them choose a topic.

Imagine that your teacher has asked you to write about a memory from your childhood. You have so many memories, you can't decide which one to write about! Start by making a list of different memories you have.

Now, look at the list you just made. Think about each item. Is there one that is especially funny, or one that is especially important to you? Choose one and list details about it. Again, remember to think about how things looked, sounded, smelled, felt, or tasted.

Childhood memory: _____
