

Write Your Own Graduation Story!

Instructions:

Use this worksheet to create your own kindergarten graduation story. Just fill in the blanks with the details from your year. If you need examples, look at the original text in the left column.

ORIGINAL STORY

Today is the last day of kindergarten.

I wish it were the FIRST. Then I'd meet Mrs. Popinski all over again.

I'd hang my very own
backpack on my very own
hook.

My markers would be bright and inky.

My crayons would be pointy and new.

YOUR OWN STORY!

Today is the last day of kindergarten.

I wish it were the FIRST. Then I'd meet

(your teacher's name)

all over again.

I would

(Describe something that you thought was exciting on your first day of kindergarten-something that made you feel like a big kid.)

If only it were the FIRST day of kinder-garten. I'd have so much to look forward to this year.

I'd play House or Grocery Store during Creative Playtime.

I'd dress up as a tiger for the Halloween parade.

I'd lose my first tooth biting into Sammy McGregor's birthday cupcakes.

But today is the LAST day of kindergarten.

We don't read stories.

We don't work on our numbers or letters.

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(Describe some of your favorite moments from throughout the school year—the memories that really stand out, like special achievements or holiday celebrations.)

But today is the LAST day of kindergarten.

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(Describe some of the things you usually do in the classroom—things that you probably won't do on the last day of school.)

Instead, we wash the tables.

We throw out the stubbiest crayons and the dried-up paints.

We take our pictures off the walls.

Mrs. Popinski gathers us into a circle for Sharing Time.

It's the last time we'll ever sit criss-cross applesauce together.

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"You've learned so much this year!

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What is your classroom's name for Sharing Time?

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Is there a special word for the way you sit?

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(your teacher's name)

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Staying up late!	
Swimming!	
Picnics in the park!	
Running through the sprinkler!	
Eating blue raspberry ice pops on the front steps!	
	(What do you like about summer?)
"Let's talk about first grade," Mrs. Popinski says. "What are you looking forward to the most?"	"Let's talk about first grade," says,
Eating lunch in the cafeteria!	(your teacher's name) "What are you looking forward to the most?"
Field trips!	
Writing stories!	
Recess!	
Playing on the big kids' playground!	
Making new friends!	
	What are you looking forward to about first grade?

"Wow," Mrs. Popinski says. "You're going to be fantastic first graders. I can just tell."

She looks at the clock and stands up. "Okay, class. It's time!"

We put on the funny flat hats that we made out of poster board and yarn. We make sure our faces are clean. Then we line up and walk down the hall to the auditorium.

I peek over Mason's shoulder and see a crowd-people pointing cameras at the stage, little brothers and sisters squirming on laps.

Oh! I see Mommy and Daddy! And Grandma and Grandpa and Aunt Dee.

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(name the family members and friends who will be at your α raduation.)

This afternoon they're going to take me out for ice cream, and I can order whatever I want.

Mr. Meyer starts playing a serious song on the piano. It makes me want to cry. It makes me want to march.

It makes me want to stand up straight and tall.

This is it.

I'm walking onto the stage.

I'm reciting our ABC farewell poem without making any mistakes. I'm singing "Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah" and clapping in all the right places.

YOUR OWN STORY!

This afternoon we're going to

(What will your family or friends do to celebrate your last day of kindergarten?)

(your music teacher's name)

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Name some of the songs or poems you learned this year.

ORIGINAL STORY YOUR OWN STORY! I'm shaking hands with I'm shaking hands with the principal. (your principal's name) Kindergarten is over. Kindergarten is over. I DID IT! I DID IT! First grade, here I come! First grade, here I come!