

Attention Grabbers/Hooks		
Technique	Example	What is it?
	Janie placed on the blue and white uniform and stared at herself in the mirror.	-Short -Dramatic (conflict) -Related to topic
	In Harry Potter, Beatrix says, "Thank goodness I was never sent to school; it would have rubbed off some of the originality."	-About topic -Typically from a famous person -Give credit to who said it
	In 1995, after implementing uniforms, Long Beach reported that the overall crime rate dropped by 91% in their schools.	-Statistic that is shocking -Detail which may alarm or cause discussion -Surprising
	If clothing does not make a person, why are adults so jumpy to change the way students dress?	-Not easily answered -Causes much thought -Spurs a conversation -Not a yes/ no answer
	The teacher looked into the sea of starch white shirts and navy blue pants.	-Uses imagery (5 senses) -Creates a mental image -Often elicits emotions
	"Wow, you look so sharp," exclaimed my teacher as I walked in wearing my new dress I had gotten for Christmas.	-Interesting character talk -Captures an idea of the topic
	A school uniform is a jail cell, locking us into uniformity and confinement, not preparing us for life choices as they are.	-Compares two items according to a trait -Not using "like" or "as"
	A uniform, like a costume, causes unnatural behaviors.	-Compares two items according to a trait -Uses "like" or "as"
	Soldiers. Mindless. Each the same. The school killed the variety in each student's way of dressing.	-Purposeful choppy sentences -Usually in magic threes
	Boom! Bang! The school erupted in a cacophony of violence. School uniforms failed to save us again.	-Sound word -Captures the noise emitted
	The school uniform strangled me as I stretched it onto my small frame.	-Giving a non-human thing human qualities

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Technique	Your Example
Anecdote	
Quotation	
Startling Statement	
Rhetorical/ Open-ended Question	
Description	
Dialogue	
Metaphor	
Simile	
Fragment	
Onomatopoeia	
Personification	

