SUSTAINABLE CAMBODIA

Greetings from your Students Teachers and Volunteers

Learning How to Write a Letter

Heading, Greeting, Body, Closure, Signature

Student Report Activity 2017

Message from Volunteer Director Susan

Hello to Everyone with Thanks. *We hope you love hearing from your students and reading what is important to them. They are wonderful! A few observations / notes:*

- *They are noticeably growing their vocabularies, skills and enthusiasm to express their ideas in writing…and in their illustrations.* ***I wish you could see all of them.***
- *Even though their letters are dated in May and June, we received them in Florida at the very end of July. The whole preparation process takes a bit of time.*
- *Younger students are encouraged to include labels in their illustrations to reinforce their literacy skills.*
- *Misspelled words (and unusual phrases) are actually a good sign of authentic efforts by our students.*

Choosing the Topic "Strong Student" by **Touch**

I choose the main topic to include in the body of my letter is strong student, because I think that it is very important for becoming a strong student and it a good idea.

After my student report activities*, the new and important (ways) that I learnt to strengthen my skill in writing an meaningful letter are:*

- *I can practice my writing, I know a lot of words*
- *I know how to write letter well*
- *I know more about writing*
- *It makes me to improve my idea and my writing too.*

Touch at SC's KBFC School

In their interviews, our students agree that they are happy to learn something new and to write about what they learn at school and that they are proud to be a student with SC!

Highlights from their Special Comments

*Hello, My name is **Sok Serey Rachana.** I always love to learn something new. So I love researching. After I did the student report I feel that I'm improved a lot about the letter writing. SO I'm happy to write the letter to my friends and especially my sponsor.*

Hello!
*My name is **Korng Meng Kheang.** I'm always happy to share about my studying and about my life to my sponsor.*

*Hello! My name is **Tann Raksmie**. I know about the element of the letter. I feel happy to learn with my classmate and to share with each other.*

How is writing an email different from writing a letter? *by* ***Sreyneath***

Sreyneath at SC's KBFC School

*It is different from writing an email and letter because when I write it on the computer It make me **easier** to write, send, **fast,** and I can change the words or phrases or **correct** it in a fast way. Moreover, I used to **save** it the email that I wrote to my teacher. First, I have to click the word file, then find the folder that I want to keep in after that I have to rename the folder.*

***After my student report activities,** I learned new words, phrases and I had a lot of new ideas. I could draw an interesting picture. I learned more how to start and close, especially if I want to my topic to be strong I have to find a lot more reasons and example to especially to support my topic.*

Many of our teachers shared similar observations during the Letter Writing Activities, including everyone's enjoyment to learn new things.

Highlights from their Special Comments

*Hello! I'm **Noun Penh** and I'm an English teacher at Sustainable Cambodia. I'm very proud to be a teacher in this wonderful center because we can help a lot of poor different students who are from our target arrears for their high education. Through education it's really make a big different to the children's lives. The students always do the student report for their donors every year for their connection to keep update what they have learnt from school and the society.*

*This year we had a wonderful topic, it about the letter writing. ..**It made me thought about the person who we are going to write to with what they want to hear**. It really benefits a lot to the students to improve their abilities through education by learning new things. We also found that the students were very happy to learn new things day after day. Thank you.*

Students write letters in shade outside library

*English Teachers **Sichiv** (on left) and **Sao** (on right) with Librarian **Soknea** & Dance / Art Teacher **Thavary** by library*

*Hello! I'm **Sao.** I have been teaching English here for one year. I'm very happy to teach the student here so much. They are so lovely and friendly. They always keep me smile. They are so lucky to be a student in SC because they have a chance to learn a lot of things. After I led my students to do the report this year, I'm very proud of them. They did learn new things including me as well…. They are very happy to write about themselves for their donors.*

*Hello! I'm **Sichiv.** I'm very happy to be a teacher in here because I can help a lot of students to improve their knowledge especially English. I have found that leading the student to do the student report this year about the letter writing is really a good topic because most of the students always write the letter to their donors so they know how to write the letter very well. They were really happy to tell their sponsors what they have learnt at school and about families. It was a great learning activity. Thank you.*

During the long state school break, what do our students do with their time?

While the August vacation break at SC School is quite short (from August 14 through 18), the vacation break of Government State Schools is **quite long**, from August 15 through October 30.

Planting Rice!

Many students help their families with **planting rice** …..when the fields are soaked from summer rains and ready for the young rice starter plants. The brilliantly green rice grows and flourishes until December when it turns gold and is ready for the harvest!

Savuth *helping her parents in rice field when she had no class at KBFC and state school.*

Teaching Community Children!

(Sima is pictured in classroom with children!))

The Youth Club members help to **teach English to the community children.** In 2017, the Youth Club members will have teaching methodology training from August 21 to 31 and start teaching in the rural community schools from 1 September. They also lead workshops in Health and Hygiene.

Preparing for and Taking State Exams…and Waiting for Results!

During their vacation breaks, 9th and 12th grade students also prepare for and take their important State Government EXAMS ….and wait for their results. Their exam results support their advancement to 10th grade in high school or to graduate from 12th grade and apply for scholarships to advance to university studies!

Highlights from Student Interviews

Hello, how are you. I am fine. My name is ***PHANDY.*** *I am sixteen years old. I am a student in grade 9 at secondary state school and a student at SC's KBFC School. Today I want to tell to you about my experiences BEFORE FINAL TEST AND AFTER I FINISHED FINAL TEST.*

Final test is a examing for student in grade 9 to study at high school. Final test is on 7 July 2017 to 8 July 2017.There are only two days. If the student pass the exam, they will be able to study at high school. All students were worry…. Further it is a opportunities for me to show my performances to myself to my family to my teachers and to my friends..

For my experiences before final test *I really review lessons from first chapter to the last chapter of Khmer Math English Chemistry and etc., do exercises a lots. Furthermore I have to study in part time classes a lots .****Especially part time class at KBFC like math chemistry and physic.*** *KBFC school helped me a lots. More I had self-study with my friends and alone at home and at school. Then I went to school to check my name , I sit in room 5 to final test*

For my experiences after I finishsed of final test *,I still study English at KBFC, but at state school we relax two months. So I can help my parents to earn money to improve my livings.*

In conclusion, final test is very good for the students in grade 9 to know their performances. Finally I wish you good lucky all the time. Thank you.

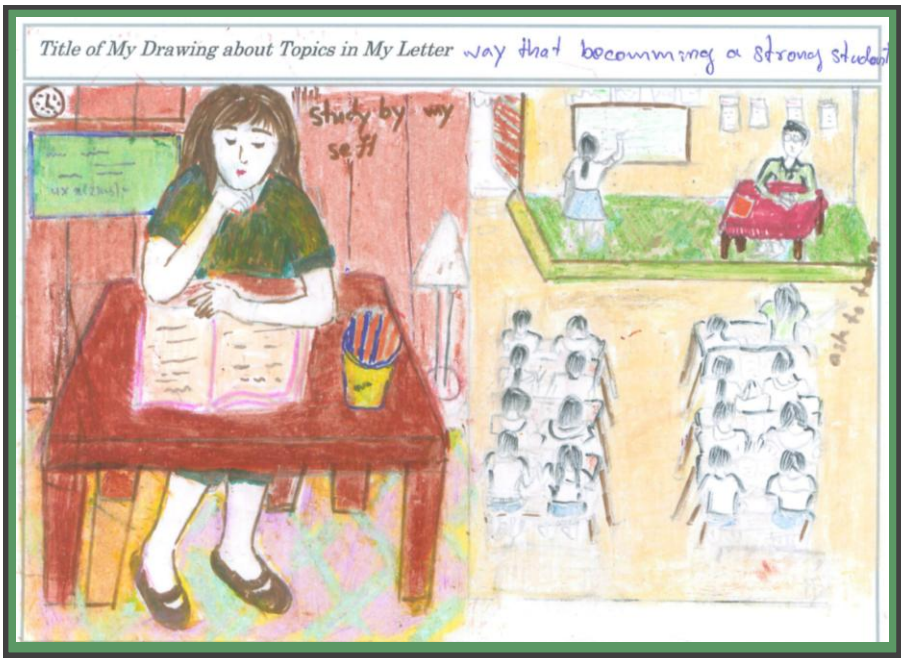
Hello! My name is ***BUNHENG****. I am a student study grade 12(A) at HUN state high school and Kravanh Bright Future Center (KBFC) too. Now day I am nearly have national exam (Bacc II) coming soon at 21 /08 /2017 go to exam at Pursat center.*

Before *I go to exam I think that I must have pass my exam. So now I study hard never free time for me. Every day in the morning I always get up to read my lesson that I must to exam such as history biology and another subject that have in my exam. At school I study with teacher and all my friends such as math chemistry biology physic English and another all the subject in my exam. So me and all the students are study hard I never free time and I always use my time to read my lesson that in my exam or do homework that teacher get and fine homework from internet to do at Sunday I think that if study hard I will have a lot of knowledge and idea get to exam. I think will pass my exam and get a good grade for me and my family.*

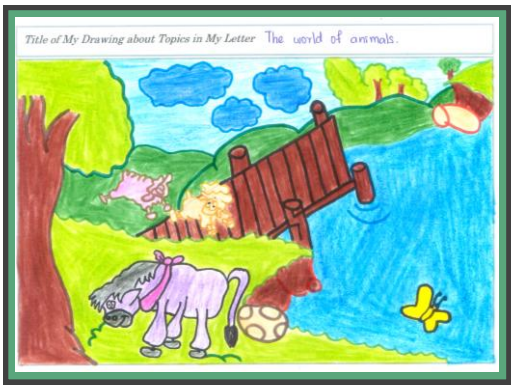
All in all I think if I have a good grade I will get a scholarship for me go to study at university.

Surprise for You! *We wish you could see all of our students' beautiful landscapes filled with homes and villages, families, schools, classrooms and libraries filled with teachers and students and books, animals & oceans.*

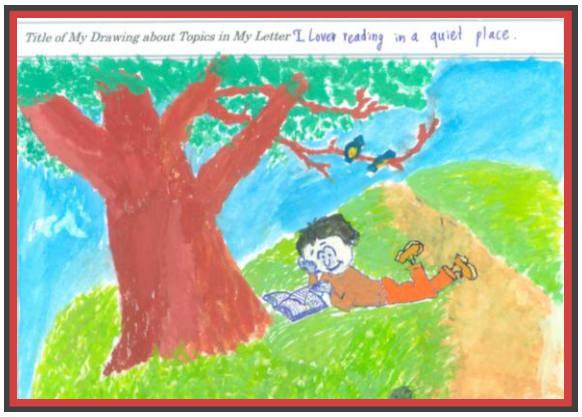
Here are a few uniquely creative illustrations of ***Student Dreams****.*



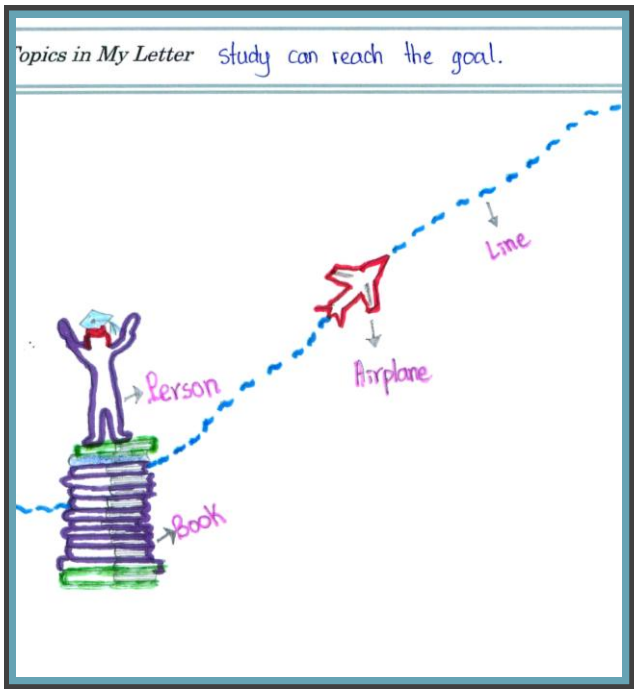
"Way that becoming a strong student" *by Srey Leak*



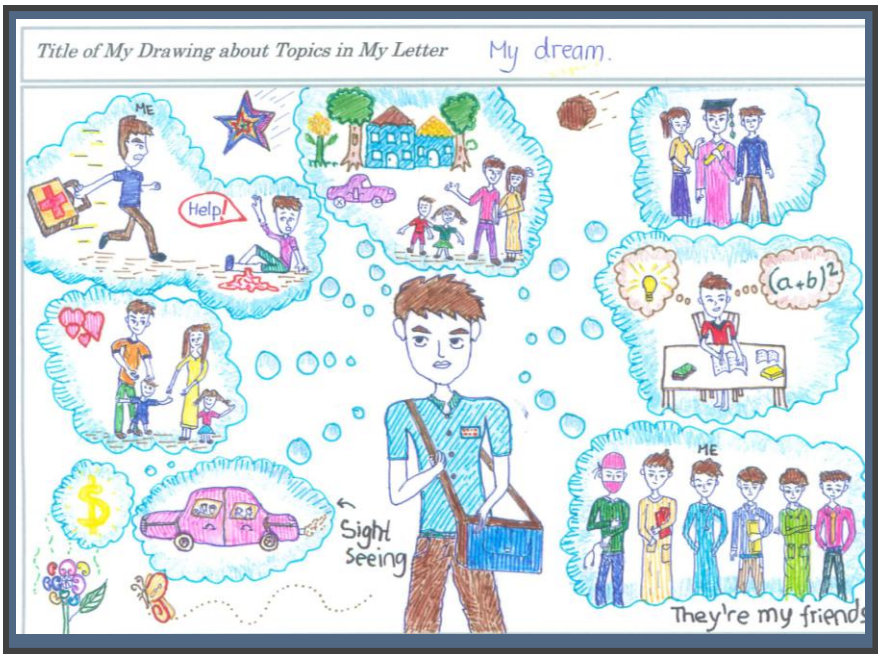
"The world of animals" *by Kumpheak*



" I love reading in a quiet place"
painting by Long



"Study can reach the goal" by Chendasovandane



"My dream" by Sambo