



DUNCAN'S DAILY DRILL

Week 17



DDD #59- the big idea

Your life is a story. Write a theme statement that represents your life right now. Focus on one topic (love, friendship, giving, identity, etc.) and expand it.

- **What lesson could be learned?**
- **Why is it important?**

DDD #60- absolutes (1st/3rd)

Add to the pieces to create sentences with absolute phrases.

- **The papers having been completed**
- **Students studying for their tests**
- **Another project being created**
- **Lunch delayed**

DDD #60- making fragments(4th)

Rewrite the complete sentences so that they are fragments.

- **Joseph studied for the test and did well.**
- **Lavonda finished lunch before the bell rang.**
- **Michelle handed in her assignment.**
- **Juan asked the teacher for directions.**

DDD #61- absolutes (1st/3rd)

Arrange some of the following words into 3 different absolute phases (follow the pattern on your handout). You can add adjectives as needed.

People

songs

being

Giving

cookies

dogs

Presents

time

making

Singing

cold

children

DDD #61- making fragments(4th)

Rewrite the complete sentences from a movie review so that they are four fragments.

- How long has it been since you saw a movie that succeeds as pure story?
- *The Kite Runner* presents a world informed by a variant of original sin.
- Amir loves his younger friend in his selfish fashion.
- Since Baba favors Hassan, Amir betrays him.

DDD #62- absolutes (1st/3rd)

Combine two sentences so that one becomes an absolute phrase (follow the pattern on your handout). You can add edit as needed.

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2. Hassan is the best kite runner in the neighborhood.

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