

# Examples of Inviting Introductions

*Inviting Introductions engage readers and establish a context that makes the story enjoyable and easy to understand.*

- **Action:** I dove headfirst into home plate. The mouthful of dirt made my tongue feel coarse and dry as I stood straight up and wiped it away from my face. From the corner of my eye, a waving motion caught my attention as I looked over to the dugout.
- **Dialogue:** “It is the most spectacular day EVER for a baseball game!” I exclaimed as I lathered sunblock all over my face and arms.
- **Reflection (a thought, question, or feeling):** What is it about the bay that everyone finds so appealing? Is it the calm of the water or the rush you feel when anticipating its quiet exit?
- **Describe the Setting:** Splash! The spraying sensation of the ocean was pleasant as it washed over me, as if to greet me with a hearty “hello” on this beautiful, sunny day.