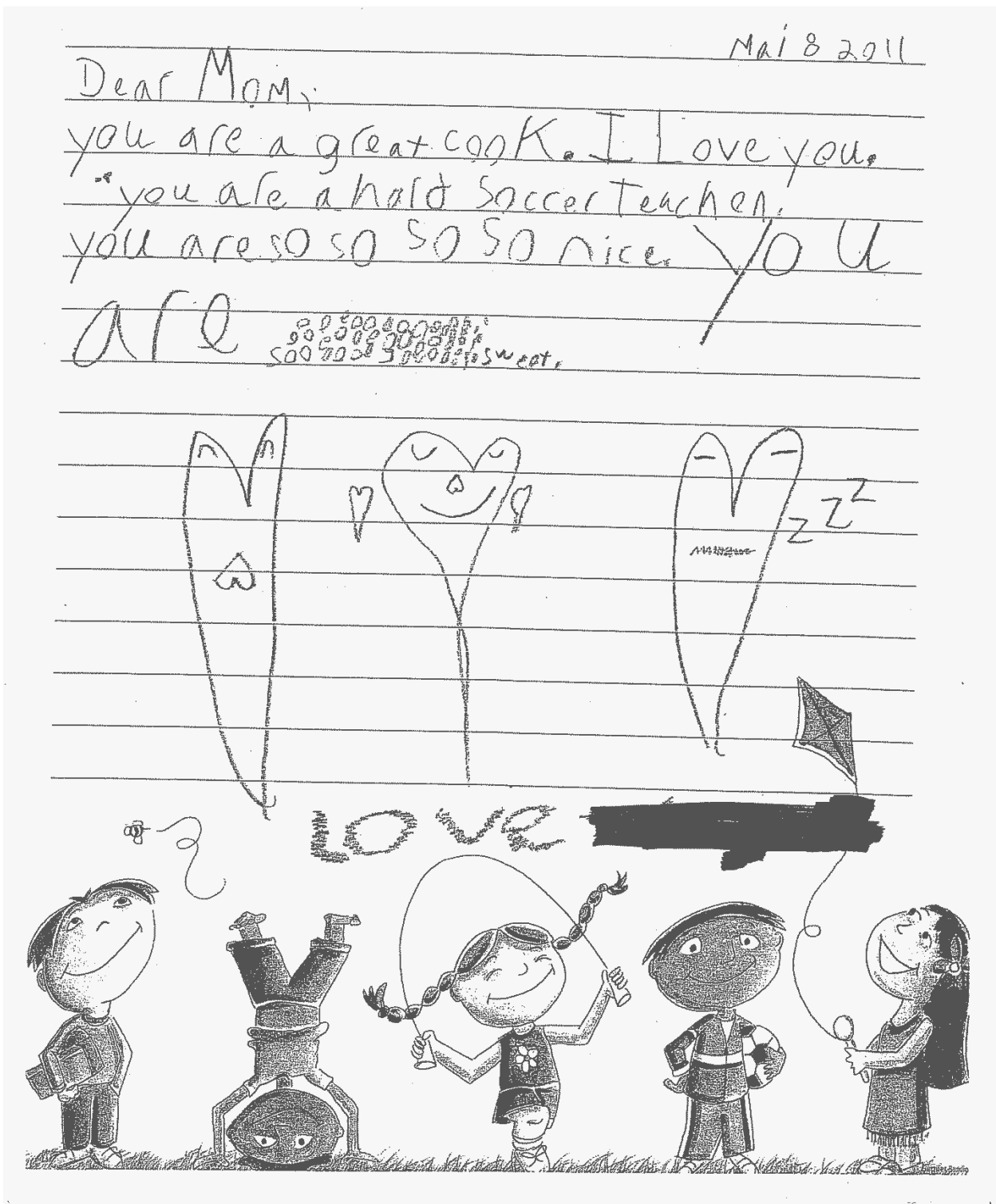


**GRADE THREE**  
**LETTERS - LEVEL 1**

- correct format
- accurate punctuation
- spelling is mostly correct
- details are underdeveloped
- tone and voice are simplistic
- simple sentences



## GRADE THREE

### LETTERS - LEVEL 1

- problem not stated until end
- vague/underdeveloped
- ineffective
- no ending
- limited information
- disconnected flow
- strong conventions

Jan 12/12

Dear smartboard Company,

I am writing this letter because I am disappointed. I make mistake too. My teacher has been upset about the smart board light bulb.

Sincerely,

**GRADE THREE**

**LETTERS - LEVEL 1**

- unfocused/disconnected
- incomplete
- vague
- lacks flow and detail

DEar Louis Braille,

How did it feel when you get that awl  
in your eye?

I am happy you are in 'Shabbat'!

I felt sad that Dr. Dufaur burned your  
books.

How does it look in paris?

I love pizza!

I Love your book!

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your friend,

## GRADE THREE

### LETTERS - LEVEL 2

- simple detail
- precise language
- predictable conclusion
- simple sentence
- attempted use of suspense
- repetitive sentences
- confusing order
- some punctuation errors

⑥

To: Mommy Thank you for being there for me when I needed it. You are the best mom in the world! I Love when you talk to me when I am upset and says that I can do things that other pepole can't do. So if you don't want to cook, I will cook for you. today I left a suprise in the basement and upstairs. Hope you like mg gift. All about you, your eyes are dark brown and your hair is brown and light blond. Thank you for talking me to gymnastics and shapping for those shoes and dresses. Thank you for loving and caring for me. I wrote this letter with love and care and hope you love it with my warm hearts care. Hope you find all of the love and gifts I left for you. The surprise is very important to me and you. I Love You mommy! Love [REDACTED]

**GRADE THREE**  
**LETTERS - LEVEL 2**

- format good
- personal
- simple/basic
- well sequenced
- sentences vary
- logical
- conventions drag

February 13,  
2012

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

Hi! How are you? Happy Valentine's Day. You are the best cousin in the world. I hope you have a great Valentine's Day. Are you going to have a Valentine's party? I have a poem for you and it goes like this,

Roses are red  
Violets are blue  
Sugar is sweet  
and I love you!

Happy Valentine's Day!

From,

### GRADE THREE

#### LETTERS - LEVEL 2

- authentic
- clearly gets point across with feelings included
- format generally followed
- simplistic
- no closing
- logical sequence

January 12, 2012

Dear smart board company,

I am writing this letter because  
we didnt get to use our smartboard

for 2 months. I felt a bit down.  
We are used to useing it every day  
for lunch time movies, dance, and math.

## GRADE THREE

### LETTERS - LEVEL 3

- logical opening and conclusion
- meaningful language
- tone and voice are thoughtful
- provides specific details
- some punctuation errors
- incorrect format

⑦

to: Mommy 

Thank you for always being  
their for me I really appreciate  
all the love you give me. You are awesome  
because you go bike riding with me and  
you're so so funny! I love you when you  
play games with me and Wii Sports  
with me. You're so cool. Whenever your  
not here at school I always miss you.  
Mommy you're MAGNIFISANT!

PS. Hope you have a awesome,  
magnifisant, spectacular, wonderful, cool,  
funny, fabulous mothers day's. If you were a  
flower I would pick you.

LOVE 



## GRADE THREE

### LETTERS - LEVEL 3

- meaningful language for purpose and audience
- tone and voice is logical
- specific details
- spelling and punctuation generally correct
- Flow of composition is disconnected

Gr. 3

Oct. 7, 201

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

I like your soccer medal collection. I collect hockey stuff. I love grade 3. I will be in your school next year. We went to the Petting Zoo. I have been in hockey for 4 years. When I went to the Petting Zoo I touched a snake. Have you ever been to the Petting Zoo? How old are you? Do you have a pet? We are learning about animals in science. We have a smart board, laptops and senteos. Do you have a smart board?

Your Pen Pal



**GRADE THREE**  
**LETTERS - LEVEL 3**

- clear, specific, logical
- cursive writing
- sentences vary in length

April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Dear Mr. Mayor,

I wanted to say "Thank you" for a wonderful time at city hall. It was a nice meeting you. Thank you for answering my questions. I liked learning about you and what you do. It was nice to see where you have your meetings. Thank you for letting our class taking a picture with you. Thank you for being a role model. Thank you again for a wonderful time.

Sincerely,

## GRADE THREE

### LETTERS - LEVEL 4

- precise, in depth detail
- strong voice
- good word choice
- clear sequence
- strong conventions

Dear [redacted] ✓

I am so excited to be in your class this year. I thought since we are going to pretty much spend the whole year together, I think you should know a bit about me.

I like the color pink, I love horses, I like playing the computer, and I have a sister. ✓

I have been waiting for school to start for a long time. I know I have to do a lot of work for the whole year but you know what, it's totally worth it. ✓

So now I'm really excited to start school. I think you will be an awesome teacher. ✓  
Can't wait!

Love,