



Chapter I – Pretest

Part 1. Explanatory Writing

Directions: *Read the poem and the directions that follow.*

Grown-ups

Do mothers ever feel lonely?
Do fathers ever feel sad?
I want mine to be
the way they want me –
happy and glad.



This poem discusses the feelings, that people have sometimes. When something bad happens we feel sad or if something good happens we feel happy. Did you ever feel sad about something? What happened or what did you do to make the sadness go away?

Write a composition about something that made you feel very sad. Did you talk about it to somebody? Did somebody help you or did you make the sadness go away all by yourself?

- Describe what happened that made you feel very sad.
- Did you ask somebody to help you about the feeling?

Explain what happened or what you did that made you feel better.