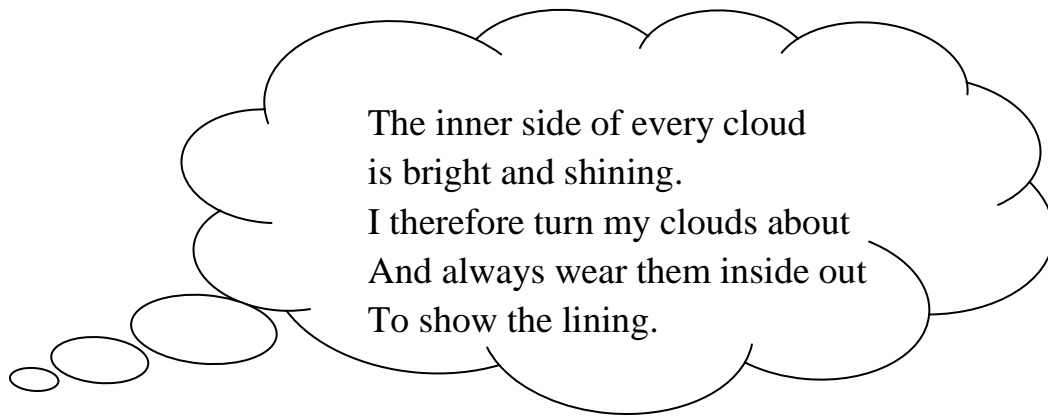


Chapter I – Pretest

Part 1. Explanatory Writing

Directions

Read the following poem. Afterwards, you will need to write a composition. The poem may give you ideas for your writing.



Writing Task 1

In the above poem, the author writes about looking on the bright side of things. At one time or another, most of us experience a situation that is difficult to deal with.

Write a composition about a time when you were sad but then you thought of something that cheered you up, or somebody helped you so you didn't feel sad any more.

In your composition, be sure to include the following:

- What made you sad and why did it make you sad?
- Explain the problems that come from being sad.
- What cheered you up and why did it cheer you up?
- Explain how you might feel better if you feel sad again.