

UNIT #5 – WRITING SECTION #1

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

WRITING

Blog Entry In a personal blog, you write about your thoughts. You describe what you saw, heard, or felt. A blog sounds like an informal conversation. You can imagine you are talking to your friends and use informal expressions like *awesome* and *cool*. You can ask your readers to post a response on your blog, too.

1 Read. What informal expressions does the writer use in her blog?

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Cecilia's Blog

The coolest vacation ever!!!

My family and I went to Machu Picchu in Peru. It was awesome. First, I took a long train ride with my family to Aguas Calientes. From there we took a bus to Machu Picchu. The bus went slowly up the steep mountain. (I'm really glad the bus was slow.) LOL. From the bus window, I saw llamas eating grass.

When we arrived, I was excited. It was so cool to see the ruins. The Incas who built Machu Picchu were great architects. My family and I climbed the stairs all the way up to the Sun Gate. It was a difficult climb. We stopped to rest a few times because I was incredibly tired. Then we were at the top—what a view! We could see everything! I think my photos are fabulous. Tell me what you think.



1 Read Cecilia's Blog in your Student's Book. How did the writer plan her writing? Read the steps below.

1. First, the writer chose a topic. What was the topic? _____
2. Second, the writer wrote a step-by-step description of what she did.



a.



b.



c.



d.



e.



f.



g.

3. Third, the writer wrote her thoughts and feelings:

a)	b)
c)	d)
e)	f)

4. Fourth, the writer asked the reader to post a response.

What did the writer ask the reader? _____

5. Finally, the writer wrote a sentence of introduction and organized the sentences in a draft, or a first version, of the blog.