



Read-Write-Reason™

An integrated reading and writing experience for grades 4-12 that **makes student thinking visible**.



Writing is more than a final product.

It's easier than ever for students to turn in polished writing, but harder than ever for teachers to see the thinking process behind it. **Students need more opportunities to develop not only as writers, but as critical thinkers.**



Practice thinking, not just producing.

Through deeply engaging and lightweight activities, **Read-Write-Reason™** breaks down the hardest higher-order skills into scaffolded, interactive practice that helps your students:



Analyze topics that interest them



Develop and refine their ideas



Choose language effectively to make their points



Justify and reflect on their choices

1. Guided Discovery

READ THE START OF THE PASSAGE

Steel Vengeance is a ride you'll never forget. The mile-long track is loaded with brutal turns, gut-wrenching flips, and moments where riders are yanked out of their seats...

THE WRITER'S VIEW

Drag or tap the 🎢 where you think the writer would put roller coasters.

THRILLING TERRIFYING

2. Application of Skill

Keep going!

Edit the rest of the passage to make roller coasters sound **thrilling**. You can change words to describe things differently, but don't change what happens in the passage.

WHERE THE PASSAGE LANDS NOW

THRILLING TERRIFYING

Steel Vengeance is a ride you'll never forget. The mile-long track is loaded with brutal turns, gut-wrenching flips, and moments where riders are yanked out of their seats. The first hill is 200 feet tall and **hurls you** into a 90-degree vertical plunge—like falling off a cliff! At 74 miles per hour, you'll be screaming in terror and clutching the bar so hard your knuckles turn white. It's two and a half minutes of nonstop action that will leave your heart racing.

Give me a hint

Here are some terrifying phrases. Click one to swap it for something more thrilling.

hurls you screaming in terror

lifts you

sweeps you

Show my edits ☐

Reset paragraph

See the thinking behind the writing.

In just 15 minutes, students read, think, write, and reflect through low-stakes, interest-based activities.

Student thinking and reflections are automatically captured and shared with teachers to inform direct instruction, small group work, or discussions.



3. Reflection

Time to reflect on your work!

Which changes made the biggest difference?

Choose the **two** changes that you are most proud of.

THRILLING

TERRIFYING

0 of 2 edits written about

Steel Vengeance is a ride you'll never forget. The mile-long track is loaded with ~~brutal turns, gut-wrenching~~ **thrilling turns** flips, and moments where riders are ~~yanked~~ **soar** out of their seats. The first hill is 200 feet tall and ~~hurls~~ **lifts** you into a 90-degree vertical plunge—like ~~falling off a cliff!~~ **you're flying!** At 74 miles per hour, you'll ~~with delight and clutching~~ **bar so hard your knuckles** minutes of nonstop action ~~heart-racing, face.~~

How does this change make roller coasters sound more thrilling?

This change made a difference because flying feels exciting and positive.

Remove

Done

What can RWR do?



Build confidence and ownership through frequent choice, personalized texts, and embedded self-reflection routines.



Track skill improvement and student self-perception in real time.



Use research-backed best practices to help students master the higher-order skills tested most on state assessments.

Read-Write-Reason™ from NoRedInk is where reading, writing, and thinking come together to unleash the writer within. **Try it today!**

