Write checklist on board:
>   *Because* Clause
>   Conversations & Punctuation
>   Review Checklist (pg 65)
>   KWO
>   Read Papers

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Because Clause:
This week's dress-up. Before we do a fun exercise, let's cover a few rules:

1. What is a clause? (*Has a subject and verb, but is not a complete sentence; it's an incomplete thought.*)

>   **EXAMPLE: Because Tayla knows karate,**
>   **Sentence: Tayla knows karate.**

2. It must be added to a sentence that is <u>already</u> complete.
3. It may be added before or after the complete sentence. Before = comma, after = no comma.

>   **EXAMPLE: Because Tayla knows karate, Ethan won't give Tayla a noogie.**

>   **EXAMPLE: Ethan won't give Tayla a noogie because Tayla knows karate.**

4. If we remove the "because," we should have two sentence.

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Have the kids think of a place or item in the house that can be cleaned. I will write some suggestions on the board to spark their imagination: toilet, bedroom, doorknobs, fireplace, oven, etc. The stranger, the better.

Then, they will write on their whiteboards: I wasn't able to clean the _____ because

>   **Write: I wasn't able to clean the _____ because**

* Go around the room and read out sentences.
* Show them how the because clause can come first in a sentence (and requires a comma).
Then, they will dream up their own excuse and change their sentence to read:

Because _____\<excuse\>_____, I wasn't able to clean the _____.

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Conversations & Punctuation:

"Darth Vader said I am your Father"   —->   **Darth Vader said, "I am your father!"**

* Let's go over the punctuation rules for conversations - pg 153 in SRP
* (Fix sentence according to rules as we read over them)

Matthew said, "Darth Vader said, 'I am your father!' "

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Read story

Talk about the parts of a story and how they align with the 5 W's :

BEFORE:

  Setting (Where, When)

  Characters (Who)

PRE-ACTION - Before the story is SET IN MOTION, this needs to be explained

  Conflict (Why and What - What's happening; without this, the story is BORING!

   see pg 39, last paragraph, for further explanation)

CLIMAX - the point in the story where the Conflict is addressed or resolved

AFTER CLIMAX - the message or moral

Start KWO: