



A Day in the Life of ME!

Objectives:

This activity can be used not only as a writing activity, but also as a social studies or even math activity.

Lesson:

Pupils should have access to their AlphaSmart 3000 or Dana for a full 24 hour period. Select a starting time - such as 8:00 AM. Every hour, the pupils will "journal" their activities. They could include amount of time reading or writing in a particular subject, time spent at lunch eating vs. free time or leisure, sports practice, TV viewing, etc. This journal activity continues for a full 24 hours.

Once the 24 hours is complete, they should quickly print their notes directly to a printer. These notes could be used as a basis for writing about the day in their life, adding details. Another activity would be to chart the 24 hours as an entire class and have pupils track what each was doing during a particular time. This could be a great maths activity comparing % of time spent watching TV, comparing sleeping habits, amount of time spent on homework, etc. The class could then use these comparisons to write about a day in the life of a typical student their age.