How to Write an Interesting Non Fiction Story

___ Brainstorm ideas for a story.

___ Select 1 topic   Who or What?

___ Share the setting: place, time, century, season.   Where? When?

___ Select interesting details and problems. What? Why?

     ___ Detail #1   ___ Problems
     ___ Detail #2   ___ The ACTIONS you want readers to take
     ___ Detail #3

___ Write a Rough Draft (skip lines!!)

___ Story Checklist **(Check 3 times: by self, with a student editor, with an adult editor)**

   __   __   __   beginning, middle, and ending
   __   __   __   **interesting** details and adjectives: **noteworthy facts**
   __   __   __   **active, interesting** verbs
   __   __   __   sentences make sense and LIMIT:
                  use of *an, and then, then, next,*
                  repeating the same idea and words over and over
   __   __   __   use of **senses**: hear, see, smell, touch, taste as appropriate
   __   __   __   use & indent **proper** paragraphs
   __   __   __   **proper** punctuation (periods, commas, quotation marks, etc.)
   __   __   __   **proper** capitalization
   __   __   __   subheadings, graphs, illustrations, charts

ReREAD one more time. Make changes. Send to be printed.