Rules rule

Where to start: This exercise calls for opinion writing skills. Start with a conversation about rules. What are some of the rules that kids have to follow at home and at school? Are they always fair? Do kids sometimes have to do things they don't want to do? Should kids have a say? Be as specific as you can, and encourage a discussion of the whys behind the rules.

Prompt: "Rules should be obeyed without argument." Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Why?

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How to go deeper: Is it ever okay not to follow the rules? Can you come up with an example of someone who broke the rules and now is considered a hero? (Use the back of this page to write.)