Unit: Opinion: Using the Power of Reviews

Grade: 2

Task: Student Work Sample

Title: Pine Knob

The following student artifact has been retyped; please see a copy of the original student work at the end of this document. Comments about student work can be found in the box on the right.

Are you tired of only playing in the back yard? Do you want your kid to do something active in the winter? Well I have a solution to all your problems! Pine Knob ski resort is a fun active place that kids wouldn't even know they are being active! It is located in Clarkston, Michigan. You will love Pine Knob! "It's fun for the whole family" said my brother. If you like to be active, get outside and snowboard or ski- then Pine Knob ski resort is one of the best placed for you! This place will knock your socks off! You will love Pine Knob because it is absolutely the place for all you out there who love to ski.

There are lots of wonderful fun things to do at Pine Knob. One of the favorite things is to go on the chair lift. It is a big machine that takes you up the ski hill and puts you down on the tippy top of the ski hill. I also like the tow rope. If you go there you will see all the fun things to do.

It was squeaky clean because the janitor cleans it every night. It's also very noisy because there are a ton of people there. Plus if you're the kid that doesn't know how to ski or snowboard, there are lessons for boys or girls. There is also a lodge for adults to go to while their kids ski or snowboard.

The service is very well run. The people there are very nice, especially the people giving lessons to kids. Plus the people seemed very understanding to me. I like Pine Knob because the people are kind.

Everyone would like Pine Knob because there are more things to do besides skiing or snowboarding. You can hang out in the lodge, get a drink. I give Pine Knob 5 out of 5 stars because everyone was very nice, kind and understanding to me. Plus my teacher even let me go on the chair lift. My mom said, "When I was a kid, Pine Knob was the coolest place to go in the winter". I recommend that you go to Pine Knob soon because it is the best place to go to in the winter. If you like skiing or snowboarding then come down to Pine Knob ski and snowboarding resort!

The writer introduced the topic and got the reader's attention in the introduction.

The writer stated his/her opinion and gave many reasons to support his/her claim.

The writer wrote in a compelling way to convince an audience.

The writer organized writing into categories.

The writer used direct quotations.

The writer used linking words to connect opinion and reasons.

The writer wrote a strong ending.

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