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Grade: 3
CSO: RLA.O.3.2.03 Compose a written composition using the five-step writing process: pre-write, draft, revise, edit, publish
Genre: Descriptive
21st Century Emphasis: Communication Skills

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Third Grade Passage and Prompt**

DIRECTIONS: Read the passage and prompt and type a composition in the box below.

Passage:

Parade Day

Angela was excited when she woke up. There would be a parade today! Angela got dressed quickly and told her mother she was ready to go. She didn't want to miss anything. She wondered what she would see at the parade this year. Would there be people on horses? Would there be a marching band? Would there be an elephant like at the Fourth of July parade last year? Every year there was something new. She couldn't wait to find out what it would be this time!

Finally, Angela and her mother left the house and walked down towards Brady Street. Angela could hear music and people cheering, but she couldn't see the parade yet. Angela wanted to run. She began to pull her mother by the hand. Angela was sure they were going to miss something exciting. After they turned the corner, they could see the crowd lined up along Brady Street. Quickly, Angela and her mother made their way through the crowd. When Angela was finally able to see the parade, she was so surprised. She never would have imagined this!

Prompt:

Write a composition describing the most amazing parade you can imagine. Use details that help your reader see, hear and feel what the parade is like.