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**Informative/Explanatory**

**Grade 2**

**Range of Writing**

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**Introduces the topic**

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**Provides a concluding section**

**Uses facts to develop points**

This second-grade informative/ explanatory piece was written after reading a non-fiction text on snow search dogs. The writer introduces the topic *(“It’s hard to train a snow search dog.”)* and then develops this idea using facts and details from the text *(“Dogs train for two years!”).* A concluding section repeats the main idea of the piece *(“Training a snow search dog is rough”)* and then reflects on its importance *(“If we didn’t people who are buried in avalanches would die.”)*

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