

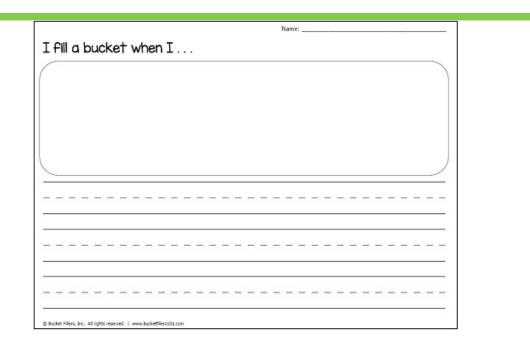


**Getting Started** 

Schools are beginning to start back up for the 2018/2019 school year. Every year, we are asked, "How can I start bucket filling in my school?" We have so many great, bucketfilling resources on our website that can help. One favorite resource is our <u>12 Easy Ways to Create a Bucketfilling Classroom</u>. This past e-newsletter is full of great steps to get the concept going in your classroom.

As always, begin the year by reading one or more of our books. <u>Have You</u> <u>Filled a Bucket Today?</u> is the perfect one to start with, no matter what ages are in your class. <u>Bucket Filling from A to Z</u> is a great follow-up book to talk about ways to fill buckets. For advanced bucket filling for older students, our new book, <u>Buckets, Dippers, and Lids</u>, is a perfect book to dig deeper into the bucketfilling concept.

Once you've read about bucket filling, discuss ways with your students how they can fill buckets. Everyone is sure to come up with great ideas on how they can fill buckets. Have the students fill out our "I can fill a bucket" sheet. (You can download the sheet here.)



They can draw a picture in the box showing how they can fill a bucket. Then have them write a sentence describing their picture. (The youngest students may need a bit of help on this part.)

Once your students complete their sheets, make sure they put their name on them. Then put them up in your classroom. They'll make great visuals to give your students ideas and reminders on how they can fill a bucket today!

For even more ideas, be sure to check out our past *Bucket Lessons* on our **website**!