**File name: O1R Mother Cat**

**Argument/Opinion**

**Grade 1**

**Range of Writing**

Mother Cat

**Names the** poem **he is writing about**

**States an opinion**

Hello my name is Derek. I’m going to tell you about how mother cat in the poem kittens is a good mother. When it was stormy outside the mother cat stayed in and kept her babys warm and safe. She also took the smallest one outside on a sunny snowy day, and the dog helped her take the other three kittens. She is teaching the baby’s about snow. The kittens mother is a good mother because:

* she keeps the babys safe

**Supplies reason**(s) **for the opinion**

* she teaches them many things
* she loves her baby’s
* she askes for help

and much much more! If the mother cat wasn’t a good mother she wouldn’t do all that good stuff.

**Provides some sense of closure**

In this strong, first-grade opinion piece, the writer names the poem he is writing about  *(“kittens”),* states an opinion *(“mother cat...is a good mother.”)*, and then provides some evidence from the text *(“When it was stormy outside the mother cat stayed in and kept her babys warm and safe. She also took the smallest one outside on a sunny snowy day”)* before listing several reasons for the opinion *(“she keeps the babys safe”, “she teaches them many things”, “she loves her baby’s”, “she askes for help”*). Although this writer provides several reasons, one reason would have been sufficient. The ending sentence, "*If the mother cat wasn’t a good mother she wouldn’t do all that good stuff"* provides a sense of closure.

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**Revised and Edited for Student Use**

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 Hello my name is Daniel. I’m going to tell you about how Mother Cat in the poem, “Kittens” is a good mother. When it was stormy outside, the Mother Cat stayed in and kept her babies warm and safe. She also took the smallest one outside on a sunny, snowy day, and the dog helped her take the other three kittens out, too. She is teaching the babies about snow. The kittens mother is a good mother because:

* she keeps the babies safe,
* she teaches them many things,
* she loves her babies,
* she asks for help,

and much, much more! If the Mother Cat wasn’t a good mother she wouldn’t do all that good stuff!

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Mother Cat

Hello my name is Daniel. I’m going to tell you about how mother cat in the poem kittens is a good mother. When it was stormy outside the mother cat stayed in and kept her babys warm and safe. She also took the smallest one outside on a sunny snowy day, and the dog helped her take the other three kittens. She is teaching the baby’s about snow. The kittens mother is a good mother because:

* she keeps the babys safe
* she teaches them many things
* she loves her baby’s
* she askes for help

and much much more! If the mother cat wasn’t a good mother she wouldn’t do all that good stuff.