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Answers may vary

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This activity provides practice in writing clear explanations. Encourage your child to think carefully before writing and to use reference material. Compare the result with the upside-down example, and comment on the similarities and differences between the two.