

### **LETTER WRITING**

# What Are the Two Types of Letters?

There are two **types** of letters, **friendly letters** and **business letters**. In a **friendly letter**, there are **five** parts: the heading, the salutation, the body, the closing, and the signature.

In a **business letter**, there are **six** parts: the heading, the inside address, the salutation, the body, the closing, and the signature.

## **Friendly Letters**

The **heading** of a friendly letter is written in the upper right corner and contains three **lines of information**. **The first line contains** the writer's address. The **second line** contains the writer's city, state, and ZIP code, while the **third line** contains the date.

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led the **closing**.

The first word in the **closing** of a friendly letter is capitalized. A comma follows the **closing** in a friendly letter.

The **last part** of a friendly letter is the **signature**. The signature of a friendly letter is written **under** the closing.

### **Business Letters**

A business letter can be written in block form or modified block form.

The inside address of a business letter contains the **name and the address** of the person or company to whom you are writing.



# **Try This!**

- 1] What punctuation mark follows the **salutation** in a business letter?
- a] period
- b] question mark
- c] exclamation point
- d] colon
- 2] What would be an **appropriate closing** to use in a business letter to the chief executive officer of Xerox Corporation?
- al Love
- b] Sincerely
- c] Missing you
- d] Your friend



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