Scientists use notebooks in the ways listed below:

- Write down information and questions
- Record data
- Make drawings
- Make graphs, tables, charts and graphic organizers to organize information
- Explain what they experienced and learned

The following guidelines will help you create an interesting and informative notebook to show what you have experienced and learned in science.

- Write neatly and legibly with PENCIL
- Number the pages in the upper corners
- Erase mistakes or mark through them with one line.
- Title and date each entry to help remind you of the topic
- Label and color your drawings
- Use sentences to communicate your observations, plans, explanations, and conclusions

Some sentence starters you may want to try:
- I wonder why . . .
- I was really surprised when . . .
- I see a pattern in . . .
- This relates to . . .
- What if . . . ?
- This reminds me of . . .