**Narrative Writing Mini Lesson**

**Grade level:** 1st Grade

**Curriculum Topic:**  Problem-Solving, planning & sequencing. Write narratives in which they recount two or more appropriately sequenced events, include some details regarding what happened, use temporal words to signal event order, and provide some sense of closure.

**Tools:** Powerpoint and Code-a-pillar

**Environment:** Whole group will watch PowerPoint. Students will split up into groups of three and work together to come up with a plan around the obstacles. Students will work individually on narrative writing.

**Synopsis:**  Teacher will use Powerpoint to explain and show students how Code-a-pillar works. Teacher will set up many small obstacles throughout the room. Students will have to collaborate with their group and come up with sequencing steps to maneuver the code-a-pillar around the obstacles and reach the finish line. Students will write a narrative recounting the sequenced events.