My Quick List of Topics:

1. New roles, new responsibility
2. Now I'm a:
   - babysitter
   - cook
   - teenager
3. driver
4. athlete
5. Sister
6. leader
7. fourth grader

Title of Your Piece:

Text Structure:

Stepping Up to a New Role

What I will give
What I promise not to do
What I hope for

to those to those my high
who came before I standards of
will serve be my
common behavior
Hippocratic Oath
bad habits you will see in me.

Kernel Essay:

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Suggestions for Quick List:

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Lesson 1
I swear by Apollo the physician, and Aesculapius the surgeon, likewise Hygeia and Panacea, and call all the gods and goddesses to witness, that I will observe and keep this underwritten oath, to the utmost of my power and judgment.

I will reverence my master who taught me the art. Equally with my parents, will I allow him things necessary for his support, and will consider his sons as brothers. I will teach them my art without reward or agreement; and I will impart all my acquirement, instructions, and whatever I know, to my master’s children, as to my own; and likewise to all my pupils, who shall bind and tie themselves by a professional oath, but to none else.

With regard to healing the sick, I will devise and order for them the best diet, according to my judgment and means; and I will take care that they suffer no hurt or damage.

Nor shall any man’s entreaty prevail upon me to administer poison to anyone; neither will I counsel any man to do so. Moreover, I will get no sort of medicine to any pregnant woman, with a view to destroy the child.

Further, I will comport myself and use my knowledge in a godly manner.

I will not cut for the stone, but will commit that affair entirely to the surgeons.

Whatsoever house I may enter, my visit shall be for the convenience and advantage of the patient; and I will willingly refrain from doing any injury or wrong from falsehood, and (in an especial manner) from acts of an amorous nature, whatever may be the rank of those who it may be my duty to cure, whether mistress or servant, bond or free.

Whatever, in the course of my practice, I may see or hear (even when not invited), whatever I may happen to obtain knowledge of, if it be not proper to repeat it, I will keep sacred and secret within my own breast.

If I faithfully observe this oath, may I thrive and prosper in my fortune and profession, and live in the estimation of posterity; or on breach thereof, may the reverse be my fate!
JOHNSONITE OATH:
TO BE A JAGUAR

I swear by my family, all members that I will work tirelessly in these years to fulfill the path you have set me on. It is my greatest desire to uphold my name, and as God is my witness I will recall and keep this oath to protect and serve my fellow students.

I will revere my fellow students who similarly work to uphold the honor of what it means to be a Jaguar. Likewise with my peers, I will persevere to demonstrate my resolve and determination in learning and comprehending the lessons our teachers and mentors intend to relay.

Additionally, I will not guide or instruct this institution’s posterity in methods that could harm the valuable learning environment surrounding us. Moreover, I will put no other individuals in danger while operating a motor vehicle. This right was not afforded to me for the purpose of endangering others, as it is a responsibility of a student to do no harm.

Any damage I could inflict I should hope would return upon me in the event that I fail to uphold this promise. I cannot take lightly the gravity of my situation. I have been set up to fail, and it is my duty to overcome.

Henceforth I swear under God’s watchful eye and those of my fellow students that I will work unerringly and with my utmost power to maintain the title of Jaguar, and all honors associated with it. “If I faithfully observe this oath, may I thrive and prosper in my fortune and profession, and live in the estimation of posterity; or on breach thereof, may the reverse be my fate!”

Jacob Treviño, Grade 9
FINALLY THIRTEEN

Given these past twelve years of my life, I think it’s time to grow up and see the world in a broader perspective. I will try my best to seek opportunities that favor in my best interest. Thus being my number one intention for the next six years.

As the years move on I will keep myself out of dangerous situations and stand up for what I believe is right. I am entitled to my own opinions and I will not be afraid to share my thoughts, as most matured teenagers do already. Now that I am in the older division of age I will help the lower ages despite their own immaturities getting in the way. To those I will serve of the younger ages, I can show them the routes of the crazy life that is to come for them.

These new years are ahead and at points I may feel in over my head. I promise not to be disrespectful to my peers and show them in uncaring ways. I will not impart on using narcotics or alcohol under any influence whatsoever. May I not take part in the teenage flow of disrespecting my parents who have helped me travel this far in my journey of teenage years. If my plans do not go the way I plan, I hope to be treated like any other teenager. I want to have respect and a decent consequence, because yes, I am finally thirteen.

Connie Kickirillo, Grade 9