Marisol is writing a paragraph about life in her home. She’s using the writing process. She’s pre-writing, organizing ideas, and writing a first draft.

**Pre-writing: Observing and Recording**
- me—studying English—kitchen
- son—watching TV—living room
- daughter—doing homework—bedroom
- husband—cooking dinner—kitchen
- father—reading the newspaper—living room
- mother—shopping at the supermarket
- baby—sleeping—bedroom

**Organizing Ideas**
- in the kitchen—me, husband
- in the living room—son, father
- in the bedroom—daughter, baby
- not home—mother

**Writing a First Draft**

*Life in My Home*

It’s a Friday afternoon in my home. My husband and I are in the kitchen. He’s cooking dinner, and I’m studying English. My son and my father are in the living room. My son is watching TV, and my father is reading the newspaper. My daughter is in her bedroom. She’s doing her homework. The baby is also in her bedroom. She’s sleeping. My mother isn’t home. She’s shopping at the supermarket.

Write a paragraph about life in your home.

**Pre-write:** Observe and record life at your home. Who’s at home? What’s each person doing? Make a list.

**Organize your ideas:** What’s a good way to organize your list? By people? By actions? By rooms in the home?

**Write a first draft:** Write a paragraph about the people in your home. Who are they, where are they, and what are they doing? Indent the first line of the paragraph. Use this title: Life in My Home.