## Here are a handful of "threes"- related references to writing and language:

- 3, three-languages inscriptions: Rosetta stone- Behustun Rock formation- Galle inscription
- 3 Esophagus parts: Pars Cervicalis Pars Thoracica Pars Abdominalis
- 3 single and 3 pairs of cartilage compose the frame (skeleton) of the larvnx
- 3 basic Word-order parts to all languages: Subject Object Verb (Not necessarily in this order)
- · 3 fingers are typically used to hold a pen, pencil and even some paint brushes
- 3 upper right corner computer screen symbols: —, shadowed square, X
- 3-model structure of all languages: Phonology Grammar Lexicon
- 3 Noam Chomsky transformational grammar parts: Phrase-structure Transformational Morphophonemic
- 3 parts to speech: Consonants Vowels Supra-segmentals
- · 3 stress forms in language: Primary Secondary Weak
- · 3 English Language divisions: Old Middle Modern
- 3 Tenses: Past- Present- Future
- · 3 Archaic Chinese Language divisions: Early Middle Late
- · 3 sentence punctuation Endings: Period Question Mark Exclamation Point
- 3 sentence Types: Simple Compound Complex
- 3 library catalog researches: Author Title Subject
- 3-part mnemonic rule: I before E except after C
- 3 traditional Noun types: Person Place Thing
- 3 Pronoun types: First person Second person Third person
- 3 Personal Pronoun Cases: Subjective Objective Possessive
- 3 Personal Pronoun Genders: Masculine Feminine Neuter
- 3 Verb Moods: Indicative Imperative Subjunctive
- 3 Verb Inflections: Tense Mood Number
- 3 Grammarian approaches to grammar: Prescriptive Descriptive Generative
- 3 Adjective comparison degrees: Positive Comparative Superlative
- 3 Affix subdivisions: Prefixes Infixes Suffixes
- 3 category writing system: Letters Numerals Symbols
- 3 patterned Morse code: Dots Dashes Spaces
- 3 dots in 2 rows: Braille reading, (counting: 1-2-3, 4-5-6)
- 3 Tenses: Past- Present- Future
- 3- colored (Red, Yellow, Green) streetlight language code.
- 3 Argumentative styles: Aggressive Assertive Passive
- 3 subordinate clauses: Adjective Adverb Noun
- 3 division writing structure: Title Body- Conclusion
- 3 part report writing: Heading (Abstract) Article (Experiment)- Summation (Results)
- 3 basic correct punctuation units: Phrase Independent Clause Dependent Clause
- 3 word variation categories: Antonyms Homonyms Synonyms
- 3 types of Verbals (special forms of a verb): Gerund Infinitive Participle
- 3 successive stages of writing development: Logography Syllabography Alphabetography
- 3 great writing steps: Sumerian phonetization West Semitic syllabary Greek alphabet
- 3 writing systems on Rosetta Stone: Hieroglyphics Demotic Script Greek
- 3 Mayan Codices: Dresden Codex Madrid Codex Paris Codex (A 4th codex makes this a 3 -to- 1 ratio.)
- 3 languages on Sumerian Cuneiform: Semitic Babylonian Indo-European Persian Elamite
- 3 dots used for an elipsis (indicating an omission): ...
- 3 line decorations used in typing on a computer: Overline Underline Line through (strike-through)
- 3 (talking) drills: Imitation Substitution Transformational
  - (Guided repetition to instill a particular aspect of language in a learner)
- 3 types of syllable stress by Sebastian Shaumyan (1987): Strong/Dynamic Quantitative Tonal/Musical
- 3-part (Tripartite) language classification by the Linguist August Schleicher: Isolating Agglutinating Inflecting.
  - (Influenced by Darwin, he proposed that his three types represent different stages in the evolution of languages. He made an attempt to support his views by using analogies to nature: Isolating (crystals) - Agglutinating (plants) - Inflecting (animals).
- 3 common test categories: Written tests, Oral tests, Physical skills tests
- 3 types of standardized tests: Achievement, Attitude, Diagnostic
- 3 common written exam types: Multiple choice True/False- Essay
- 3 historical language originations: Nature Nurture Combination