



**INDIAN SCHOOL AL WADI AL KABIR**  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH [2025– 2026]**

**TOPIC: STORY WRITING**

**HANDOUT**

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**Q. Write a story in about 150 words using the opening sentence given below. Remember to give a suitable title to your story.**

**Graphic Organiser: Story Elements**

**Title – A Lovely Surprise**

*The phone rang! It was too dark in the kitchen and I couldn't see anything...*

Setting	Characters
Inside the house at night (bedroom, hallway, kitchen, living room)	narrator, parents, cousins, uncle, aunt
Conflict/Problem	Resolution/Ending
The house is dark, shadows are seen, the phone rings— the narrator fears burglars.	Narrator hides, calls father, family enters for a birthday surprise, everyone celebrates.

Title - A Lovely Surprise

*The phone rang! It was too dark in the kitchen and I couldn't see anything. I slowly found my way from my bedroom to the hallway. I quickly grabbed my mobile phone and tried to switch on the torch in it. I was feeling scared. I could see some shadows outside the window and thought that there could be some burglars. I could hear a little child speak softly. I wondered if these men or women were trying to break into my house. I slowly tiptoed into the kitchen. By then, the phone had stopped ringing. I didn't know who to call back, so I quickly dialled my mother's phone. There was no answer from the other end. Then I dialled my dad's mobile phone number. Luckily, he picked up my call and started asking me if everything was okay. I asked my father if he could come home immediately and help me. My father told me to stay quiet and remain calm. He told me to find a safe spot in the living room and sit there until he comes home. After a while, the main door clicked and opened up wide. All my cousins, uncle, aunt, my dad and mom were there. It was my birthday surprise! Everyone wished me a happy birthday and we all gathered to cut the cake and blew out the candles. I had a big smile on my face!*

