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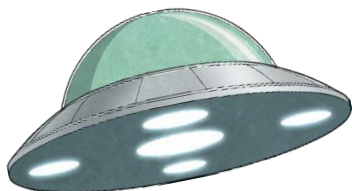
CLASS: VII	DEPARTMENT: ENGLISH	Date of Submission: AUGUST 2024
WORKSHEET NO: 9	TOPIC: STORY WRITING	Note: To be done in English notebook

Story Writing

A story writing is a work of “fiction or imagination” that is usually written in “easily understandable grammatical structure” with a “natural flow of speech”. A short story is a narrative of moderate length and revolves around a specific incident involving one or more characters.

Plot: It is the sequence of events in a story. The events are arranged in a sequence. Each story must have a beginning, a middle, and an end. The middle of a story should have a conflict. A conflict is a problem that is solved in the story. It is the central point around which the story revolves. It makes a story interesting.

Setting: A story's setting tells us about the time, location, and mood of the story. You may include details such as what you saw, tasted, smelled, touched, heard, and felt to make your story interesting.



Character: A story must have at least one character. A character may be described in terms of his/her/its physical appearance, behaviour, thoughts, feelings, and actions.

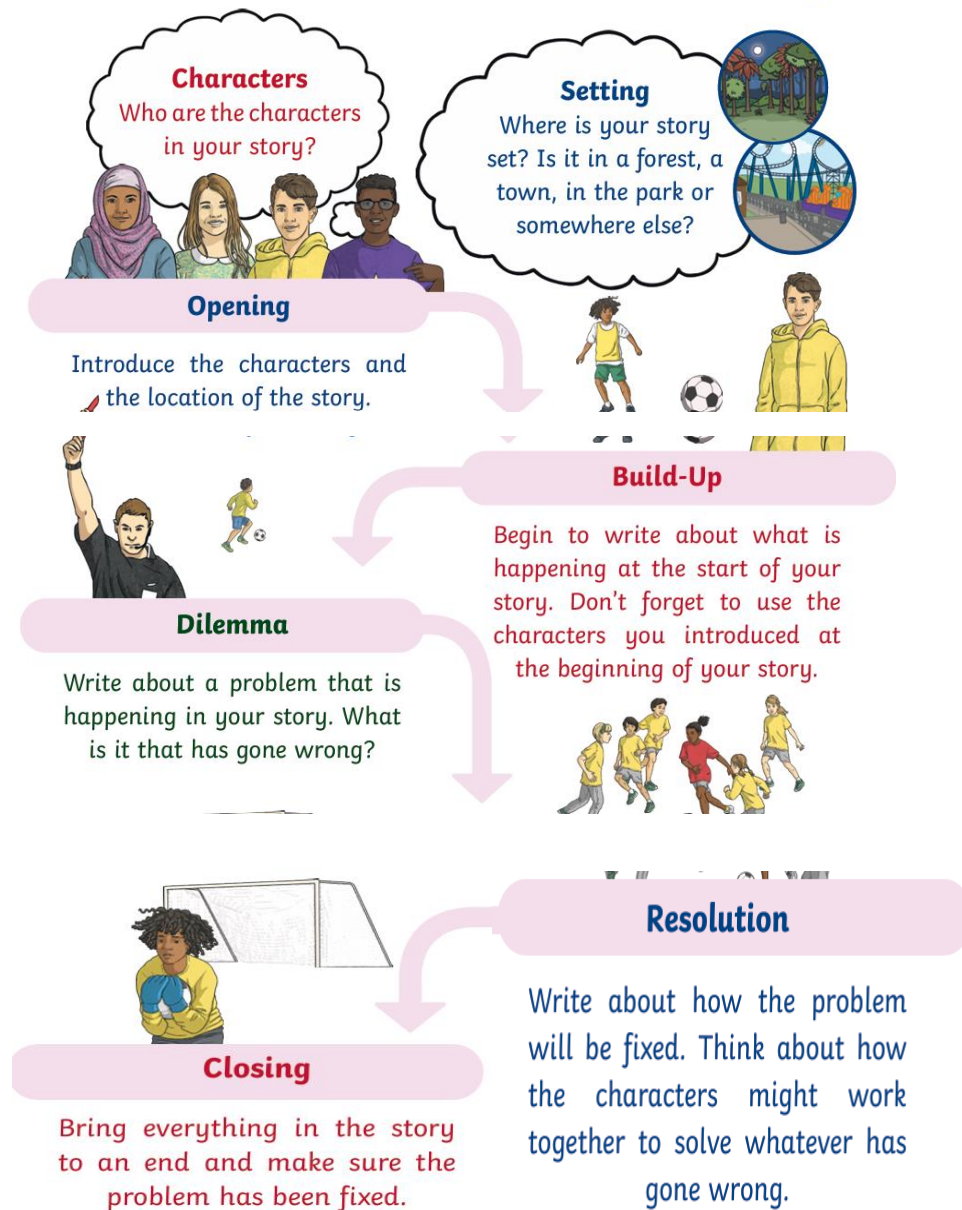
Narration: A story may be narrated in many ways. If a story uses pronouns 'I', 'me', or 'my', it is said to be written in the first person. If a story uses pronouns 'he', 'she', 'his', and 'her', it is said to be written in the third person.

Theme: A story must have a theme or a central message. A theme of a story tells us what it is about.

Title: The title of a story draws us to read it. It is, therefore, important to have an attractive and interesting title.



How to Write a Good Story



1. Give a suitable title and it should be as short as possible.
2. Introduce the main character and setting (time and location) in the beginning.
3. Develop suspense and action through a sequence of events in chronological order (with a clear beginning, middle and end).
4. Introduce monologue, dialogue, or conversation (at least 3) in the story; but be careful to make it interesting and natural.
5. Provide a suitable moral in the end.



FORMAT

TITLE

(Space)

PARAGRAPH – 1

(Introduction)

(Space)

PARAGRAPH – 2

(Incidents and events)

(Space)

PARAGRAPH – 3

(Conclusion)

MORAL/WORDS OF WISDOM

SAMPLE

small village – lived – shoemaker-made excellent shoes -could not earn enough- leather to make one last pair- went to bed- next morning- gorgeous pair of shoes- amazed- beautifully finished shoes- continued for many nights- two elves- bag of tools - some gifts for them- laid presents - good things- danced excitedly- never poor again.

Write a story based on the given outline in about 150 – 200 words.

The Shoemaker and The Elves

In a small village, there once lived an honest and hardworking shoemaker. He made excellent shoes but he could not earn enough. Consequently, he and his wife had to often sleep without food. Soon he became so poor that he could not even afford to buy the leather to make shoes. He said to his wife, "Now I have leather to make one last pair. I shall cut it today and sew it tomorrow morning."

He cut out the leather and then went to bed. The next morning, when the shoemaker went down to his workshop, he was surprised to find a gorgeous pair of shoes! His wife was amazed too. "Who could have made these shoes?" she asked. Just then a rich man strode into his shop and bought the shoes for a fancy price. The shoemaker was delighted. With this money he purchased plenty of food and some more leather. That afternoon he cut out two pairs of shoes and laid all the pieces on the bench to sew them the next day. The next morning, he found two pairs of beautifully finished shoes on his workbench. Before long, some wealthy people came in and paid a great deal of money for them. The happy shoemaker bought even more leather. This continued for many nights. Now the shoemaker's shelves were filled with beautiful shoes. He sold all of them and became rich. One night the shoemaker and his wife decided to stay awake and solve the mystery.

When the clock struck twelve, two elves, each with a bag of tools, hopped in through the window. They wore torn clothes covered with patches. They were making shoes, but they didn't have any for themselves. This made the shoemaker and his wife sad. The next day, the shoemaker's wife said, "Those little elves have done so much good for us. We should make some gifts for them." "Yes!" cried the shoemaker. They worked until late evening. Then they laid out the presents upon the workbench: two tiny jackets, two pairs of trousers, and two pairs of shoes. They also left out some plates of good things to eat and drink. Once again, they hid behind the door. The elves hopped in and were delighted to see their presents. They wore all the clothes, then had the food and drink. They danced excitedly before hopping out of the window. The two elves never returned after that day., but the shoemaker and his wife were never poor again.

Moral of the story: Be thankful and grateful in life.

Exercise 1:

Using the key words write a story in about 150 -200 words.

Navigate, turbulent, ocean, barrage, storm, captain, impassable, unforeseen, devastate, imminent, voyage, debris, menacing, warning, location.



Exercise 2

It was dark and at the end of a dirt track there was an old, rundown house. There were no signs of life. The house was completely empty. Suddenly, a sound emerged from the house.....

Write a story based on the given picture in about 150 – 200 words.



Exercise 3

Write a story based on the given outline in about 150 – 200 words

A village, a landowner, a donkey - the donkey - fell into a dry well -landowner - least bothered - decided to add mud - bury the donkey alive- hired labour - added mud - intelligent donkey - kept stepping over the dirt-came out safely - walked off - landowner – regrets
