

STORY WRITING TOP TIPS



When you write a story, it's your job to create interesting, believable characters who will capture the reader's imagination.

You don't have to tell the reader everything about the character but it helps to have the character profile clean in your mind before you start your story.

DELIGHTFUL DESCRIPTIONS

Descriptions are essential to help the reader really enjoy your story. Remember to use lots of adjectives to describe your characters.

Top tip: use all five senses
Sight, smell, sound, touch and taste



VARIOUS VOICES

The voice you use to tell a story is known as the narrator. You can achieve different effects depending on the point of view you choose to write your story from.

I/We = first person
You = Second person
He/She/They = Third person

Remember this is a recount of your activities during the last year so is most likely going to be in past tense.



PERFECT PLANS

All stories need a beginning, a middle and an end.

Before you start writing a story it is a good idea to plan an outline of what is going to happen in each part.

Our favourite way to do this to think of your story as a mountain like this:

THE BEGINNING

Introduce your characters and the setting

THE BUILD-UP

Something happens to your characters to start the action

THE DELIMA

Something goes wrong - a mystery, a funny event or something dramatic

THE RESOLUTION

The problem is resolved

THE END

The threads of the story are all tied up

STORY MOUNTAIN

Story Mountain for:

Name:

Settings

Dilema

Characters

Build up

Resolution

Introduction

The ending