

# NARRATIVE WRITING

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## Learning Question:

LQ: Can I write a narrative using a story starter sentence?

## Success Criteria:

- I can choose a story starter from the 'Story Starter Sentences'.
- I can brainstorm my narrative writing
- I can brainstorm adjectives, fronted adverbials, expanded noun phrases
- I can describe characters and settings using the above brainstorming techniques

## Vocabulary

- Narrative
- Adjectives
- Fronted adverbials
- Expanded Noun Phrases
- Description
- Characters
- Setting

Read each of the story starter sentences (there are two slides of sentences) and decide which one you'd like to focus on. You might need to write down two or three and decide later.

1. Icy wind slashed at his face and the rain danced its evil dance upon his head as he tried to get his bearings on the isolated beach.
2. Footsteps slowly creaked on every step of the stairs. The bedroom door handle turned slowly.
3. Death lurked in every door way with hell at one dark window. Inspired by A. Noyes 'The Highwayman'
4. The air turned black all around me.
5. Icy fingers gripped my arm in the darkness.
6. Wandering through the graveyard it felt like something was watching me.
7. The eyes in the painting follow him down the corridor.
8. A shrill cry echoed in the mist
9. My hair stood on end, a shiver raced down my spine and a lump came to my throat. It was him...
10. The day had come... they had been warned... they hadn't listened and now it..

11. Slowly, a foot moved, then the trunk, then a loud growl shook the cavern...
12. The gravestones stood silently, row upon row like soldiers long forgotten, a scream shattered the silence...
13. Bleary-eyed, I went downstairs for breakfast, the house was empty, even the furniture had gone...
14. The lights flickered and then went off, then the sirens started, it was coming, we knew it wouldn't be the last time...
15. The date was 13th July, my 345th birthday... it would be my last...
16. Three of us. We were the only ones left, the only ones to make it to the island.
17. "What have you done?" the headmaster bellowed, all eyes now turned to me as he stood over the lifeless body on playground.
18. Dad just sat and cried. He cried for three whole days. His face was blotchy and his eyes were red. Then one day he just stopped...
19. "Follow me!" she whispered.
20. The clock stopped... 74 minutes past 18...it was time to get up.
21. The car screamed to a halt, four men wearing masks jumped out and ran into the nearest building, I looked around. The street was deserted except for me.
22. Everything stopped, people were stood like statues all around me, people in cars, men on bicycles, babies in prams all lifeless, frozen in time.
23. I had never seen a ghost. But like they say, there is a first time for everything.
24. He opened the safe and it had gone. No one had the code, who could have opened it?
25. Grey and foreboding, the castle stood atop the hill looking down across the small town, in the topmost window of the highest tower stood a small boy called...
26. Is this heaven? What happened to me?

Re-cap your essential criteria to write an amazing narrative.

Adjectives

Fronted adverbials

Expanded Noun Phrases

Parenthesis

Similes and metaphors

Check out the Bazillion website to listen to some fun songs if you've forgotten some:

<http://www.thebazillions.com/category/video/>

OR

Use the BBC bitesize link below – this link has everything you need to know from your success criteria!

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zhrrd2p>

# TASK TIME

**HARD:** Use the planning sheet and include adjectives, along with your other brainstorming ideas, in each box.

**HARDER:** Use the planning sheet and include adjectives, expanded noun phrases and super fronted adverbials, along with your other brainstorming ideas, in each box.

**HARDEST:** Use the planning sheet and include adjectives, along with your other brainstorming ideas, in each box.





