

Writing – Week Commencing 4.5.20

Once you have completed the reading activity, your writing task is to write your own diary entry about what happened in 'A Monster Surprise'.

You will write from either Rabbit or the monster's point of view.

Write as if you are that character and tell us what you think happened and how you felt.

Read through the following pages to help you write your diary entry.



A Monster Surprise Diary Writing



A Monster Surprise

There are five different characters in 'A Monster Surprise'.



The Main Events

The animals discover their food has been going missing.



They try to find out who has been stealing their food.



The trail leads them to the cave of a monster!



The animals are scared. The monster is pleased to meet the animals!



The monster invites the animals in for a tea party with all their favourite foods!



Let's think about the main things that happen in this story...

Different Points of View

We are going to think about how two different characters think and feel about what happened.

Rabbit and the monster might not think and feel the same things about the same events.

They will each see the events from their own **point of view**.



Different Points of View

What is a point of view?

A character's point of view is their opinion or view about an event.

Two characters in the same story could have different thoughts, feelings and opinions about the same event. They are seeing things from their own point of view.

Do you think Rabbit and the monster are both thinking and feeling the same thing here?



Rabbit's Story

At the start of the story, Rabbit finds out that his flowers are missing.

What does Rabbit **think** has happened?

Rabbit thinks that someone has stolen his flowers. He thinks it was Squirrel.

Does Rabbit **know** what has happened?

Rabbit did not see anyone take his flowers. He is trying to work out what has happened but he cannot know for sure.



Rabbit's Story

What words could we use to describe how Rabbit *feels*?

anxious

angry

sad

cross

panicked

furious

worried

grumpy



Rabbit's Story

What would Rabbit write in his diary about what happened?

Talk to your partner. Think of some sentences that Rabbit could write about this part of the story.

One day, I was feeling very hungry. I decided to make myself a tasty lunch. I soon discovered that...

I thought that...

I felt....

I decided to...



Rabbit's Diary Example

The start of Rabbit's diary might look like this.

Can you spot the parts that tell us how Rabbit was **thinking** and **feeling**?

One day, I was feeling very hungry. I decided to make myself a tasty lunch. I soon discovered that my flowers were gone! I couldn't find them anywhere. I thought that someone must have stolen them. I found a clump of fur that looked like it belonged to Squirrel. I felt very worried that I wouldn't have anything to eat. I was angry that Squirrel would steal my precious food. I decided to march to Squirrel's house and get my flowers back!



Solving the Mystery

Rabbit finds out that Squirrel is not the thief and has had her acorns taken too! Rabbit and his friends set out to find the culprit. They are determined to solve the mystery.



Monster's Story

Eventually, the animals end up at the monster's cave.

Try to see things from the monster's **point of view**.

Imagine that you are the monster.



What did you think when the animals arrived?

Why had you been taking their food?

How did you feel when you realised the animals were scared of you?

Monster's Diary

What would the monster write about what happened?

Think of some sentences that the monster could write about this part of the story.

One day, I was feeling very lonely. I decided to...

I thought that...

I felt....



Monster's Diary Example

The start of the monster's diary might look like this.

The monster's diary gives us a different view of what happened.

One day, I was feeling very lonely. I decided to try to make friends with the animals in the wood. I came up with a brilliant idea – I would gather together all of their favourite foods and organise a lovely tea party to introduce myself! I thought they would be very pleased. I had to be very sneaky when I was collecting the food to make sure I kept it a secret. I felt so excited to do something kind for my new friends!



Writing a Diary

Write your own diary entry about what happened.

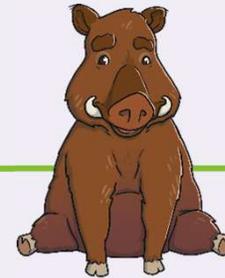
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Writing a Diary



Helpful Hints

Write about the main events.

Tell the events in order.

Write in the past tense.

Write in the first person.

wanted, went, did, had, felt, saw

I, we, my, our

Say where the events happened.

Tell us who else was there.

forest, cave, river

Beaver, Squirrel, Boar

Describe your feelings.

Use time words.

furious, excited, lonely, surprised

first, next, later