



Worksheet

Name :

Subject:

A guide to writing creative stories

Class:

Grade 4

Date:

Story Starters (Time/Setting Phrases)

One sunny morning,

On a chilly afternoon,

That Saturday, During recess,

After school, On the way home,

As the bell rang,

Just before dinner,

Early the next day,

Over the weekend,

At soccer practice,

At the shopping mall,

In the crowded cafeteria,

On a rainy afternoon,

Adjectives for places: noisy, crowded, cheerful, quiet, messy, tidy, familiar, peaceful, warm, bright, chilly, colorful, dusty, organized, lively, spacious, comfortable, gloomy, calm, clean

Characters (People Words)

friend, classmate, neighbor, teacher, coach, parent, sibling, stranger, shopkeeper, student, teammate, principal, customer, nurse, driver, librarian, security guard

Adjectives for people: kind, helpful, shy, funny, bossy, generous, brave, stubborn, thoughtful, talkative, polite, impatient, confident, nervous, honest, caring, loyal, curious, clever, supportive

Feelings and Emotions

happy, proud, nervous, excited, worried, embarrassed, surprised, angry, relieved, disappointed, scared, curious, thrilled, grateful, anxious, bored, frustrated, hopeful, jealous, confident, guilty, calm, shocked, annoyed

Emotion phrases:

Her heart skipped a beat,

He froze in fear,

My cheeks turned red, I couldn't stop smiling,

My stomach twisted in knots,

I felt a lump in my throat,

Tears welled up in my eyes,

My hands began to shake

Powerful Verbs (Action Words)

rushed, shouted, whispered, argued, laughed, cried, decided, waited, helped, explained, walked, slammed, sighed, stared, wondered, noticed, interrupted, glanced, stumbled, sprinted, grabbed, reached, yawned, replied, warned, suggested, encouraged, apologized, imagined, hesitated

Figurative Language Phrases

Her heart raced like a drum,

His face turned red as a tomato,

The classroom buzzed like a beehive,

My stomach was full of butterflies,

The day dragged like a slow turtle,

The news hit me like a storm,

Laughter filled the air like music,

The truth hit me like a brick,

His smile was as bright as sunshine,

The silence hung in the air like a heavy cloud

Dialogue Starters

"I can't believe this happened!" said ____,
"What should we do now?" asked ____,
"That's not fair!" shouted ____,
"Don't worry, I'll help," replied ____,
"Please, just listen to me," begged ____,
"Everything will be fine," whispered ____,
"Are you serious?" gasped ____,
"It wasn't my fault!" cried ____,
"You'll never guess what I saw!" exclaimed ____,
"Let's keep this a secret," murmured ____

Descriptive Words for Events

busy, tiring, unexpected, ordinary, memorable, quiet, exciting, stressful, calm, joyful, funny, strange, dramatic, tense, unbelievable, emotional, peaceful, confusing, hilarious, frightening, typical, ordinary

Useful phrases:

It felt like the longest day ever,
Everyone was talking at once,
I could hear my heart pounding,
The air was filled with laughter,
Nothing went as planned,
The moment felt frozen in time,
I couldn't believe my eyes,
The smell of rain drifted through the window,
Leaves rustled in the breeze,
The sky rumbled with thunder,
A chill ran down my spine,
My heart pounded in my ears

Endings (Closing Phrases)

In the end, we learned an important lesson,
Everything turned out better than expected,
That day changed us forever,
We laughed about it later,
From that moment on, we became closer friends,
I'll never forget what happened that day,
It was a day to remember,
Finally, everything made sense,
Looking back, I realized how much I'd grown

Here are realistic fiction short stories written using words and phrases from the word bank (realistic settings, emotions, figurative language, and sensory details).

The Forgotten Homework

The bell echoed through the hallway as I rushed to class. My shoes squeaked on the floor, and my heart raced like a drum. Suddenly, I froze—my homework was still at home! The teacher's voice echoed, "Pass your papers forward." My cheeks burned red as I whispered, "I forgot mine." Everyone turned and stared.

The New Student

The classroom was filled with the sound of pencils scratching. A new student stood by the door, nervous and quiet. I smiled and waved, hoping to make her feel welcome. Her face brightened like sunshine. By lunchtime, we were already laughing together. From that moment on, I knew we'd be great friends.

The Broken Window

A loud crash echoed through the house. My heart skipped a beat. "What was that?" Mom shouted. I looked down at my trembling hands—the baseball lay on the floor beside shattered glass. My stomach twisted in knots. I whispered, "I'm sorry, Mom." She sighed and smiled gently, "At least you told the truth."

The Rainy Walk

Raindrops splashed against my jacket as I hurried home. Cars honked in the distance, and puddles rippled beneath my feet. Suddenly, I saw a tiny puppy shivering near a tree. My heart melted. I wrapped it in my scarf and whispered, "You're safe now." That rainy day turned into the best one of my life.

The Spelling Bee

The classroom was silent. My palms were sweaty, my heart thumped like a drum. "Spell 'adventure,'" the teacher said. I hesitated, then took a deep breath. "A-D-V-E-N-T-U-R-E." "Correct!" Cheers filled the air. I grinned so wide my cheeks hurt. It wasn't just a win—it was proof that hard work really pays off.

The Science Fair Disaster

The gym buzzed with excitement. My volcano model sat proudly on the table. "Three, two, one—eruption!" I shouted. Lava foam burst out—too much! It splattered on my shoes and the judge's papers. Everyone gasped, then giggled. My face turned red, but the judge smiled. "At least it works!" he said.

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