



A NARRATIVE



A great night out

by Joe

Last year, I went out to celebrate my birthday with two other boys from my class. We were planning a fairly quiet evening – a quick pizza followed by a film at the cinema. However, the evening turned out to be much more exciting than we expected!

While we were eating our dinner, a group of three girls came into the restaurant and sat down at the next table. We started chatting and found out that one of them – Anna – was celebrating her birthday that evening too. She suggested going out together – all six of us – after our meal. They seemed really nice, so we agreed. We decided not to go the cinema, even though we already had tickets for the film. Instead, we set off towards the town centre where there's a night club that plays really good music. We turned up just as a live band was starting to play! We danced for hours and had a great time with our new friends.

At the end of the night, Anna gave me her mobile phone number and talked about meeting up again. Unfortunately, I couldn't call her because I lost the number. I think I threw it away by mistake.

I still think about that evening quite often. It's a shame that I lost Anna's number, but maybe I'll bump into her and her friends one evening and we'll all go out again. I hope so!

1. Read the story. Write a Y (yes) next to the things that Joe did and a N (no) next to the ones that he didn't do

1. go out with two school friends
2. have a fairly quiet evening
3. have dinner in a restaurant
4. meet some girls
5. but cinema tickets
6. see a film
7. go to a night club
8. hear live music
9. phone Anna
10. bump into Anna again

2. Complete the sentences with phrasal verbs from the story.

1. Let's go.....for dinner tonight.
2. Our teacher turned..... to be from Australia.
3. Sit.....- I've got some amazing news!
4. Did you find.....her name?
5. She usually sets..... for work at 6.00 a.m
6. You've turnedlate for class again!
7. The CD was broken so I threw it.....
8. I bumpeda friend from primary school yesterday.



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3. Complete the paragraph plan. Use phrases in the box.

description of the events how you feel about it now setting the scene (when?where?
good or bad? what happened afterwards

Paragraph 1 Introduction:.....

Paragraph 2 Main body:.....

Paragraph 3 Follow-up:.....

Paragraph 4 Conclusion:.....

Conjunctions

Try to use these other conjunctions as well, to join short sentences and improve the style of your writing.

as because but even though since so though whereas while

4. Which conjunctions from the list above can you find in Joe's story?

5. Use the conjunctions from the box to complete the sentences. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

1. I listened to the music.....I walked to the shops.
2. I'm not going to the night club.....it's too expensive
3. My dad gave me a present.....I passed my exam
4. He was still hungry,.....he had eaten a whole pizza
5. I'll be back late,.....don't wait up for me