Week 9
Primary 3/4

The Write Tribe

STORY STRUCTURE: BASIC INGREDIENTS FOR A SATISFYING CONCLUSION

PART 1

Tie everything up. Don't leave any character behind

a logical solution to the problem

CONCLUSION

Feelings / regrets regarding situation

Lesson learnt + Proverb tying with the theme

SCENARIO

In spite of telling you and your brother James not to touch her precious vase, you accidentally broke your Mom's favourite vase during a baseball game inside your living room.

Logical solution

Upon seeing her vase broken to _____, Mom turned into an angry
METAPHOR

_____.
METAPHOR

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PUNISHMENT/ SOLUTION

Show your feelings/ other characters' feelings

I felt _____ and so did James. We hung our heads in shame.
EMOTIONAL ADJECTIVE

Lesson learnt + Proverb

From that day on, we vowed to be more _____.

_____
PROVERB

ACTION VERBS FOR LESSON LEARNT

1. I **vowed** never to be complacent again. From that day on, I worked harder than ever.

2. I **swore** to myself never to cheat again. After all, cheaters never prosper.

3. Sara **made a firm decision** never to overstrain herself again. After all, health is wealth.

4. Garfield **made a decision to give up** burning the midnight oil to play games. As a result, he did better in his next examination. Time is precious and Garfield learnt how to use it wisely.

5. Padma **solemnly promised** that he would never lie again. He lived and learnt.

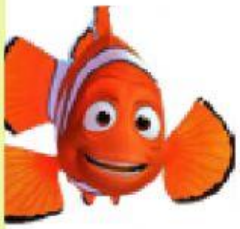
6. Ali **made a resolution** to try harder the next time round. Slow and steady wins the race.

7. John **pledged** he would be never be late again. The early bird catches the worm, after all.

8. Gary **assured** his teacher, he would never shoplift again. Once bitten, twice shy.

Why do characters need to learn a lesson?

Every character undergoes a change in his behaviour through solving a problem. By solving a problem, or undergoing a situation, something about him much change. Remember, FINDING NEMO, Marlin started off as being deathly afraid of the outside world, however, through the process of losing his son, he braved the waters and learnt the outside world is not so scary after all. Your readers want to see a positive change in your character. This is why it is important to talk about a LESSON LEARNT and tie it with a PROVERB.



PSLE: Common themes & topics

TOPICS		
Courage	Determination	Compassion
- An act of courage - A brave act	- A challenge - An achievement - A proud moment	-Making a new friendship -An act of kindness

Accountability	Integrity	Neighbourliness
- Being responsible - Being entrusted with an important task	- A dilemma - A difficult decision - Keeping a secret	-Being neighbourly -Being good neighbours

Teamwork & cooperation	Self control & Discipline	Gratitude	Prudence (Being careful in making decisions)
- Teamwork	- Getting into trouble - A regretful lesson - An impulsive act	-Being grateful -A second chance	- A misunderstanding - Making a mistake

Let's write conclusions for common topics. Remember,
1. Solution
2. Show feelings or others' feelings
3. Lesson learnt + Proverb
4. Lastly, don't leave any character behind !

A regretful lesson

SCENARIO

Despite your loved ones telling you not to overstrain yourself, you practised countless hours and attended your dance competition. What would be the likely result?

Logical solution

Show your feelings/ other characters' feelings

Lesson learnt + Proverb

Use decision making action verbs

Write out the conclusion

Keeping a secret

SCENARIO

Your best friend Jimmy, stole money from your teacher's wallet and begged you to keep it a secret. You did the right thing and told your teacher.

Logical solution

Start with a connector - As a result

Show your feelings/ other characters' feelings

Use facial expressions

Lesson learnt + Proverb

Use decision making action verbs

Write out the conclusion

Honesty

SCENARIO

You decided to cheat in your math exam by copying Alicia, the top student in your class, and and got caught red handed by your teacher.

Logical solution

Start with a connector - As a result

Show your feelings/ other characters' feelings

Use facial expressions

Lesson learnt + Proverb

Use decision making action verbs

Write out the conclusion

An act of courage

SCENARIO

You had always been a cowardly person. This time, you stood up to James, the bully, who always harassed you for your lunch money. Luckily, a teacher came to the rescue.

Logical solution

Start with a connector - As a result

Show your feelings/ other characters' feelings

Use facial expressions

Lesson learnt + Proverb

Use decision making action verbs

Write out the conclusion