

Sequence – Junkanoo Part 1

Brainstorming

The term 'brainstorming' means **thinking of ideas**.

To do this, you tell all that you know about a particular subject or idea. Junkanoo is an important Bahamian cultural celebration. People from all walks of life gather to watch Junkanoo parades. Using your exercise book, write down all the things you know about Junkanoo. Share your ideas with your classmates.

Sequencing

The order in which events happen in a story is called the **sequence**. When events are properly sequenced, you enjoy the story more.

Sometimes signal words such as **first, last, then, the next day, and finally** can be used to help with sequencing.

Instructions: Read the story below and notice the words that show the sequence of events.

The leader of the Junkanoo group has a very important task. **First**, he must find a sponsor to provide money for his group. This is not always a very easy job. For major groups such as The Valley Boys, Saxons, or One Family, there are over 500 participants. It takes about \$60,000 to prepare themselves to perform on Bay Street. **Secondly**, the leader must find a shack for his group. Sometimes repairs must be made. Electricity, phone lines, and water must also be put in place. The building must then be properly secured. **Afterward**, cardboard and other materials can be collected and stored. Once a theme has been decided, the leader meets with the designers, artists, and builders so they can start to make the costumes. News quickly spreads that the shack is open. **Finally**, the shack is filled with talk and laughter as the Junkanooers make their costumes.

The paragraph states four tasks that must be performed by a Junkanoo group leader.

- 1 Gets a sponsor for his group.
- 2 Finds a Junkanoo shack.
- 3 Collects cardboard and other materials.
- 4 Meets with designers, artists, and builders.

Try it out!

Instructions: Read the paragraph and answer the questions that follow.

Uncle Tony showed me how to make a Junkanoo costume. The first thing we did was to draw the design on a piece of cardboard. We then used a cardboard cutter to cut it out. The next thing we did was to cut strips of crepe paper and fringe them with scissors. We used glue to paste these strips onto the cardboard. After about two hours, the costume was all covered with bright strips of crepe paper. Then we left it hanging outside to dry. My costume was finally finished.

Number the following events 1, 2, 3, and 4 to put the order in which they took place in the story.

- ___ After about two hours, the costume was all covered with bright strips of crepe paper.
- ___ The first thing we did was to draw the design on a piece of cardboard.
- ___ Then we left it hanging outside to dry.
- ___ Then we cut strips of crepe paper and fringed them with scissors.