



**Primary 5/6**

**Week 18**

**The Write Tribe**

**OVERCOMING FEAR**

**PART 1**

**DATE: 16 MAY**



## Topic: Overcoming fear

Write a composition of least 150 words using one or more of the pictures below.



Consider the following points when you plan your composition.

- What was the fear?
- Why were you afraid?
- Why did you have to face this fear?
- How did you overcome this fear?
- What was the lesson learnt?

### SPEECH TAGS

For this assignment's composition, you will be graded on your usage of SPEECH TAGS.

## Story breakdown - 20 minutes

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

beaming	prayed	trembled	shrieked
whimpered	marveled	cheered	smirked
chimed		gulped	

### INTRODUCTION

“I’m done!” my brother Xavier proudly flashed a toothless grin. 1. \_\_\_\_\_ from ear to ear. We were at the Dental clinic and seeing the state of his mouth, “Oh God! No!” I 2. \_\_\_\_\_, my hands and legs shaking. He had so many gaps in his mouth, he had more gaps than teeth! “This is why, I dread going to the Dentist!” I 3. \_\_\_\_\_ loud enough for everyone at the clinic to hear. The receptionist momentarily glared at me and then looked down at her clipboard. Little did I know, I was making a mountain out of a molehill and this particular dental visit will be a memorable one. 

**OOH! FORESHADOW**

### CONFLICT

“Earl!” the receptionist called me. “Argh!” I 4. \_\_\_\_\_ in fear, swallowing the lump in my throat. “You’re up!” my brother, Xavier, 5. \_\_\_\_\_ at me to my irritation, exacerbating my anxiety. I wanted to knock out his remaining teeth quite badly. As I took the dreadful long walk into the Dentist’s room, my eyes shifted to the stoic looking faces of the dentists framed on the wall. One in particular looked terrifying. He looked familiar. Where have I seen him before? Then, it dawned upon me.

Frankenstein!  **PROBLEM**



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"Oh God! Please don't let it be this dentist!" I 6. \_\_\_\_\_ fervently. I knocked twice on the burgundy door. "Come in!" a thunderous voice boomed. I opened the door and what I saw next confirmed my worst fears.  **ANTICIPATION**

### **CLIMAX**

It was, 'Dr.Frankenstein.' At that moment, very dramatically, 'Boom!' the thunder too 7. \_\_\_\_\_ in as if agreeing with me. "No!" I 8. \_\_\_\_\_ weakly and the most embarrassing thing happened.  **ANTICIPATION**  
I lost my balance and fell. The dentist rushed over and pulled me up. "Now, now, there's nothing to be scared about. When I was a little child, I was dreadfully scared of dentists too!" he said. Before I knew it, he propped me up on the dentist chair and got me engrossed on his childhood adventures with dentists. Before I knew it, "Yay! we are done!" he 9. \_\_\_\_\_. I looked at the mirror, "Wow! My teeth are so white!" I 10. \_\_\_\_\_, admiring my pearly whites.  **PROBLEM SOLVES**

### **CONCLUSION**

I bid the dentist goodbye but before leaving, I realized I forgot to ask his name. "Could I know your name, please?" I asked. "Dr. Frankenstein," he stated without batting an eye. I almost laughed out loud. Interestingly, I was looking forward to my next appointment. I learnt two lessons.  **LESSON**

Dentists are not scary and never judge a book by its cover.  **PROVERB**

## Introduction

- **Where are you? Who are you with?**
- **What kind of day was it?**
- **Introduce yourself and other characters**
- **Include a foreshadow**

### SPEECH TAGS

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### Foreshadow

1. Nothing could prepare me for what fate had in store
2. Little did I know, I was so wrong
3. Little did I know what the future had in store for me.
4. Little did I know, my goal to \_\_\_\_\_ will be challenged by a series of unfortunate events!
5. Little did I know, fate was planning to burst my bubble in so many dreadful ways.



## Introduction - 15 MINUTES

## Conflict

- Ease into the situation.
- Create anticipation before introducing the problem
- Slowly introduce the dilemma. Why was it a problem?
- Personal thoughts
- Feelings

### Anticipation

1. That was when we heard something, I would never forget
2. Nothing could prepare me for the next moment
3. I wasn't prepared for what would happen next
4. That was when I realized, I made a blunder.
5. What I saw turned my legs to lead.

### Useful vocabulary

dread	mountain out of a molehill
receptionist	swallowed the lump in my throat
glared	exacerbating my anxiety
clipboard	stoic
fervently	thunderous voice, boomed
propped	dentist's chair
pearly whites	without batting an eye



## Conflict - 15 minutes