

A description of an event

I can describe an event.

Preparation

- 1 Rewrite the sentences. Replace the underlined verbs with the phrasal verbs below. Use the correct tense.

ask for find out get over look at own up
put back talk about

- 1 She often borrows my clothes, but she never confesses to it.

- 2 I requested a seat by the window.

- 3 The police officer examined my passport carefully.

- 4 Are you discussing the World Cup?

- 5 I discovered where my brother hides his diary.

- 6 Please return my pen when you borrow it!

- 7 After his exams, he spent a day in bed just to recover from them.

Writing Strategy

When you write a description of an event, remember to say how you and other people felt at the time, and how you all reacted to the events. This will make your anecdote come to life and engage the reader's interest.

- 2 Read the Writing Strategy. Then complete the description using the adjectives below to describe the people's feelings.

guilty proud scared upset

Confession!

Joanne

I once bought a big plastic insect at a joke shop and put it inside my brother's lunch box in the morning. It looked disgusting! I told my friends about the prank – I was ¹ _____ of it! My brother didn't say anything about it after school. In fact, he didn't mention it for ages. Then one morning I found the same insect in my bowl of cereal at breakfast. I wasn't ² _____ at all – it was funny. But when I asked him how he felt when he found it in his lunch box, he didn't smile. In fact he looked a bit ³ _____. 'It was horrible,' he said. 'I screamed. Then everybody laughed at me.' When I heard that, I felt really ⁴ _____. I don't play tricks on my brother now!

Writing Guide

- 3 Read the task. Then make brief notes in the table below. Use one of the suggestions in the ideas box or your own idea.

You did something you feel bad about. Write a description of an event with the title 'Confession!'

- Give a short description of what you did.
- Say how you felt at the time.
- Describe how other people reacted.
- Explain why you feel bad about it now.

Notes

What did you do?

How did you feel at the time? Why?

How did other people feel? How did they react?

How do you feel about it now? Why?

Ideas

You feel bad because you:

- borrowed something without asking and broke it.
- told somebody a secret your friend told you.
- copied some homework from the internet.
- told somebody about a surprise party and spoiled the surprise.

- 4 Write your description. Use your notes from exercise 3.

CHECK YOUR WORK

Have you ...

- ☐ covered all four points in the task?
- ☐ included adjectives to describe feelings?
- ☐ checked your spelling and grammar?