# (26) MY STORY

**ACTIVITY 1:** Read the task and the example below.
What words did the writer's friend misunderstand?

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***Task: Write a story about a problem that arose because of a misunderstanding or lack of communication.***

I've always been really keen on swimming. About a year ago, I decided to do an exam to become a lifeguard. My dad agreed to drive me there, and we set off from home in his car.

A few minutes later, we passed a friend of mine from school. He was walking along the pavement and chatting to somebody on his phone. We stopped, and I told him I was on my way to an exam at the sports centre. 'Me too!' he replied. We offered him a lift and he accepted.

After a while, we arrived at the sports centre. At that moment, my friend started to look worried. 'Where are we?' he asked. 'This isn't the music centre!' He told us he had a piano exam at the music centre in ten minutes. Obviously, he hadn't listened properly when we'd offered him a lift!

Fortunately, my dad agreed to drive him to the music centre and they arrived just in time. Afterwards, my friend was really grateful and bought my dad a present.

**ACTIVITY 2:** Complete the paragraph plan with the phrases below.

| **LEAD UP TO MAIN EVENT** | **MAIN EVENT** | **SET THE SCENE** | **THE ENDING** |
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| PARAGRAPH 1: | |
| PARAGRAPH 2: | |
| PARAGRAPH 3: | |
| PARAGRAPH 4: | |

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**ACTIVITY 3:** Complete the chart with Time expressions.

about a year ago  a few minutes later  at last
in the end  later on  one Saturday last month

## Narrative time expressions

**Non-specific time expressions for starting a narrative**

1 _____  2 _____

one day last week  a while back  about a month or so ago

**Expressions for ordering events**

3 _____  4 _____

later  at first  after a while  afterwards

**Expressions for bringing the narrative to an end**

5 _____  6 _____

eventually  finally

**ACTIVITY 4:** Write a story about a crime. (100 words)

You should include:

- Narrative Tenses
- Passive Voice (at least one)
- Crime Vocabulary
- Time expressions

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