

## (15) WRITING A STORY

**ACTIVITY 1: STRUCTURE.** Look at the structure and write your ideas for the different parts.

<b>Beginning</b> <i>First sentence + some additional information</i>	_____
<b>Development</b> <i>One or two paragraphs with a description of what happened in the story.</i>	_____
<b>Ending</b> <i>Some kind of short conclusion. Ending of the story.</i>	_____

**ACTIVITY 2: BEGINNING.** You are going to write a story beginning with this sentence. Think about the situation. Add one more sentence referring to the context and character. Use Past Continuous.

***Tom was watching TV at home when he heard a noise upstairs.***

**ACTIVITY 3: DEVELOPMENT.** This is the most important part, where the main events happen.

**It is really important that the events that you write are in a logical order and that the language you use is interesting and correct.**

Do the following exercises and then use the words highlighted in two paragraphs of your own to continue your story.

### PAST TENSES (QUICK REVIEW)

As soon as Lou got off the plane he (LEAVE) \_\_\_\_\_ the airport and (TAKE) \_\_\_\_\_ a taxi to the city centre because he really (WANT) \_\_\_\_\_ to swim in the clear water and sunbathe on the beautiful beach he (SEE) \_\_\_\_\_ earlier.

TIME EXPRESSIONS. Complete with: **FIVE MINUTES LATER - IMMEDIATELY - WHEN - AS SOON AS - WHILE - SUDDENLY -**

However, \_\_\_\_\_ he arrived at the beach he saw that the weather was changing and \_\_\_\_\_ it was raining heavily. \_\_\_\_\_, Lou ran into a bar and was surprised because someone shouted, "Hi, it's you again!"

LINKING WORDS: **AND - SO - BUT - BECAUSE - OR - LIKE - AS - ESPECIALLY -**

Three little pigs set out to build homes: one of straw, another of sticks, \_\_\_\_\_ the third of bricks. The big bad wolf blew down the straw \_\_\_\_\_ stick houses because they were weak. \_\_\_\_\_ the brick house stood strong, \_\_\_\_\_ because it was well-built. \_\_\_\_\_, the pigs were safe.

#### ACTIVITY 4: THE ENDING.

You can give your story a surprising ending or something funny but don't feel too much pressure to do anything spectacular **just make sure that the story ends.**

Now write your story beginning with the words: (100 words)

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The story must include a crime, all the Narrative Tenses seen, modals of certainty or speculation and a Conditional Sentence Type 3.