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# Story-Writing Prompts

A girl with blonde hair in a ponytail, wearing a blue t-shirt with white stars, is sitting at a desk and writing on a piece of paper with a red pen. The desk is yellow. There are two green lightbulbs on the desk. A Twinkl logo is visible on the desk. The background is a blue sky with white clouds. Various objects are floating in the air around the girl, including a girl running, a futuristic car, a donut, a robot dog, a dinosaur skull, a dragon, a unicorn, a camera, a magnifying glass, a baseball, a book, a flower, a shovel, a star, a pencil, a postcard, a banknote, a bird, and a Twinkl logo.





# Writing task 1

## Describe a Setting



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what you are  
thinking in  
your head

hear

see

feelings in  
your  
stomach

touch



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your voice

footsteps

smell

the sound  
of the  
door  
handle  
turning

This is Magnolia Avenue, home of the ancient Baron Hartselle. The home has stood here for 150 years, but nobody has ever seen the Baron. Imagine you are about to walk up the steps to this home. Your mum has persuaded you to invite the elderly Baron round for a barbecue. Describe looking up the stairs, taking your first steps, ringing the door bell and hearing footsteps approach.

## Writing Task 2

### Identifying with a Character

Why is she there?  
What is she thinking?  
Who is she?  
Where is she going?  
Who took the photograph?  
What do you think she might say?



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## Writing Task 3

### The River of Shoes

Down the River of Shoes

Currents rippled and babbled, keeping ancient secrets;  
Sandals dreamt of owners left behind,  
Pumps waited patiently.



#### Instructions:

Can you write some sentences or phrases about the River of Shoes? You could use the example above to get you started.

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## Writing Task 4

### Predict What Happens Next

A man walks a dog on a beach.

The man's name is Jim.

He's been out walking for some time now. He's not sure he wants to return home.

Who would notice if he never went back?

What if he just slipped away?

He could join the circus. He could travel the USA in a camper van. He could be a life guard on an Australian beach.

#### Your task:

Describe the moment that Jim decides not to return home.

- How does he feel?
- What does his face look like?
- How does he leave?
- Where is he going?

**LA:** Make a list of all of the things Jim could do instead of having an ordinary job e.g. join the circus, travel the world, live in Australia...





### Honey Badgers

Despite their name, Honey Badgers are more similar to weasels. They have few predators because of their thick skin and ferocious nature.

Their eyes are small, and their ears are little more than ridges which helps avoid damage while fighting. Their feet have very strong claws, which are short on the hind legs and long on the front legs. Their fur changes depending on the season, to cope with the weather.

Honey badgers live alone in holes. They are skilled diggers, able to dig tunnels into hard ground in 10 minutes. They are one of very few animals known to be able to use tools, such as sticks or heaps of mud. They can attack lions, horses, buffalos and cows without fear, because honey badgers rarely lose energy in a fight, exhausting their opponent and winning. Their favourite food is bee honey, although they will eat insects, frogs, tortoises, rodents, turtles, lizards, snakes, eggs, and birds.

### Instructions:

1. Think of a main heading for this text to attract readers.
2. Think of sub headings to fit where the asterixs are (\*).
3. Without reading the text again, summarise what you have learnt about Honey Badgers.



**HA:** Write some safety instructions for visitors to a new Honey Badger farm.