

Writing

In this section, you will learn how to:

- write a narrative text;
- write a diary in the form of imaginary story.

After learning the lesson in this section, you are expected to be able to:

- write a narrative text correctly;
- write a diary in the form of imaginary story correctly.

Practice 1

Answer the following questions orally.

1. Have you ever written an imaginary story?
2. Do you like writing stories?
3. What kinds of stories do you like best?
4. Have you ever shared your story to your friend or magazines via e-mail?

Practice 2

Read the following information carefully.

What Is a Narrative Text?

- a. Purpose : To entertain listeners or readers with a true experience or an imaginary one. The characteristic of the text is marked by conflict and resolution.
- b. Text structure is indicated by:
 - who, where, action verbs
 - linking words, specific characters
 - end of the story's conflict
 - coda : changes that occurred and the moral of the story

Cinderella



Source: 366 and More Fairy Tales, 1990

The structure of the text is indicated by:

(who, where, action verbs)

(linking words, specific characters)

(end of the story's conflict)

Once upon a time there was a girl called *Cinderella*. She lived with her stepsisters and stepmother. They treated her badly. She had to do all the house work.

One day an invitation to the ball came to the family. But, her *stepsisters* would not let her go. *Cinderella* was sad. The stepsisters went to the ball without her.

Fortunately, the fairy godmother came and helped her to get to the ball. At the ball, *Cinderella* danced with the prince. The prince fell in love with her and then married her. They lived happily ever after.

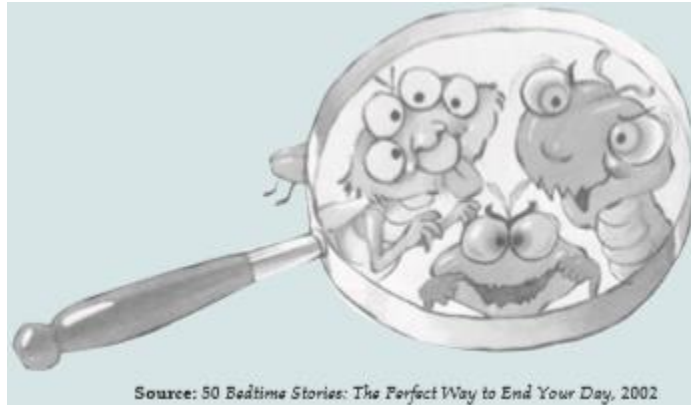
Practice 3

Read the following story carefully.

What Hideous Creatures

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Source: 50 Bedtime Stories: The Perfect Way to End Your Day, 2002

One sunny day, a very forgetful professor got down on a grassy bank and began to look at the insects through his magnifying glass.

Now when the professor left for home, he forgot all about his magnifying glass, so straight away all the insects gathered round.

“This is just the thing we need!” and they jumped for joy.

“When the birds y down to gobble us up, we’ll give them a fright for a change!”... and so they did.

The birds had never seen such hideous creatures. They took off squawking with fright and never ew down again.

Note

What lessons do you get from the story?

A patient and kind-hearted person will always find happiness.