

Lecture sheet

English Language

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Telling stories is common in any language. Think of all the situations in which you might tell a story in everyday life:

Talking about last weekend to a friend.

In this situation—and many others—you provide information about something that happened in the past. To help your audience understand your stories, you need to link this information from the past together. One of the most important ways to link ideas is to sequence them. The passages below are good examples of sequenced ideas.

EXAMPLE PASSAGE: A Conference in Chicago

Last week, I visited Chicago to attend a business conference. **While I was there**, I decided to visit the Art Institute of Chicago. **To start off**, my flight was delayed. **Next**, the airline lost my luggage, so I had to wait for two hours at the airport while they tracked it down. **Unexpectedly**, the luggage had been set aside and forgotten.

As soon as they found my luggage, I found a taxi and rode into town. **During** the ride into town, the driver told me about his last visit to the Art Institute. **After** I had arrived safely, everything began to go smoothly. The business conference was very interesting, and I thoroughly enjoyed my visit to the institute. **Finally**, I caught my flight back to Seattle.

Luckily, everything went smoothly. I arrived home just in time to kiss my daughter goodnight.

Sequencing refers to the order in which events happened.

Now, some phrases for story writing are given below. You have to use these phrases to complete stories that will be mentioned at the end.

Do You Really need Good Phrases for Story Writing?

No, you don't. You should not use good phrases just for the sake of impressing the reader. You should concentrate on using the RIGHT PHRASE for the RIGHT SITUATION.

And to do so, you need to have a broad knowledge of a variety of phrases.

Instead of “good phrases”, focus on using – EFFECTIVE PHRASES.

It’s okay to use simple phrases! Keep your sentences short, concise, and straight to the point. Use the right words at the right time. Express your ideas fluently.

Phrases are

Describing Sadness:

- eyes brimmed with tears
- wailed in sorrow
- on the verge of tears
- tears welled up in her eyes
- face etched with misery

Describing Anger

- eyes narrowed with contempt
- seething with rage
- glared at me with dagger-like eyes
- stood there with her arms akimbo

Describing Fear / Shock

- terror gripped my heart
- a chill ran down my spine
- trembling with fear
- heart was pulsating wildly

Describing Happiness

- a smile spread across her face
- face lit up with joy
- whistling a merry tune

Describing Anxiety

- pacing up and down
- glanced at his watch for the twentieth time
- hands turned cold and clammy

Describing Pain

- a sharp pain surged through
- howled in agony
- cried in excruciating pain

Phrases related to Tears:

- She was on the verge of tears.
- Tears welled up in Nancy’s eyes.
- A tingle of sorrow swept over me.
- Feeling blue, he went for a holiday to forget all his sorrow.

Some useful phrases that are used for general explanation:

- In order to, In other words, That is to say, To put it another way, To that end.

Phrases that are used while adding more information to support a point:

- Furthermore, Moreover, Likewise, As well as, Similarly, Coupled with, Not only. But also

Phrases that show contrast:

- On the other hand, In comparison, On the other hand, That said, yet

Phrases while adding a proviso:

- Provided that, Despite this, Nonetheless, Notwithstanding

Words and phrases are used while showing importance:

- Notably, Importantly, Significantly

Phrases that are used for giving examples:

- To give an illustration, For instance,

Phrases that summarize the entire content:

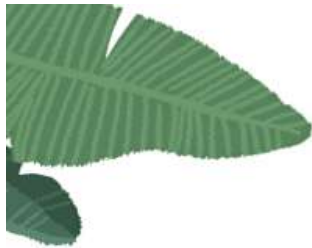
- Above all, all things considered, In conclusion

Topics

Read the following outlines and develop them into a complete story.

Give a suitable title to your story.

1. There was a farmer in a village. His condition was moderately well. The farmer had a pet dog. He loved his dog very much. -----
2. Once upon a time there lived a fisherman. He was very poor. He caught fish regularly and sold the fish in a nearby market. -----
3. Rassel is a boy of town. He has never visited a village. But he desires much to see a village and the lifestyle of the villagers. -----



Free Hand Writing

Topics

Read the following questions, write down answers and develop them into a story.

1. Do you like your name? Do you think it suits you? If you could change it, what would you change it to—and why?
2. Imagine that you are given the power to make any one of your dreams come true. Which dream would you choose? Write about the dream that is most important to you and why you would most want it to come true.
3. If you could invent any tool or new technology that would improve your life in some way, what would you create? What would it do? How would it work? When would you use it?
4. What is the most exciting thing that's ever happened to you? Write about your experience and be sure to describe how you felt during and after the event.