

A Magical Christmas Adventure with Leo the Lion

Learning objective: To write a creative story about a festive adventure using adjectives and expanded noun phrases.

Help Leo the Lion write his Christmas story! Use the prompts below to describe your setting, your characters, and the exciting events that happen on Christmas Eve. Remember to use capital letters and full stops in every sentence.

The snow fell softly over the forest, turning the trees into sparkling statues under the moonlight.

Word bank: suddenly · meanwhile · magically · sparkling · frosty · after that · because · happily · golden · twinkling

1. The Setting: Where does your story take place? Describe what the scene looks like using words like 'frosty' or 'twinkling'. Start your sentence with: Deep in the forest... (2 marks)

2. The Character: Who is joining Leo the Lion on this adventure? Describe them. Start your sentence with: Beside him stood... (2 marks)

3. The Problem: What unexpected thing happens on Christmas Eve? Start your sentence with: Suddenly, they noticed... (2 marks)

4. The Solution: How do they solve the problem together? Start your sentence with: Working as a team... (2 marks)

5. The Ending: How does the story finish? Start your sentence with: As the sun rose on Christmas morning... (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Can you add a sentence that includes the price of a gift found in the forest? For example: 'They found a special star that cost £5 and 50p.'