

Max and Zara’s Creative Writing Toolkit

Learning objective: To enrich narrative writing by using sophisticated vocabulary, varied sentence structures, and sensory detail.

Key Vocabulary

Use this vocabulary reference mat to add flair and precision to your stories. Terms are grouped by category to help you choose the perfect word for your setting, character, or action.

Atmospheric Creating a specific mood or feeling...	Vivid Producing powerful feelings or strong, ...	Protagonist The leading character or the main...
Antagonist A character who actively opposes...	Metaphor A figure of speech where one thing is...	Simile Comparing two things using the word 'like' or 'as'...
Personification Giving human qualities or actions to objects or animals...	Onomatopoeia Words that imitate the natural sounds of things...	Alliteration The occurrence of the same letter or sound at the beginning of several words...
Adverbial A word or phrase used to tell us more about the action in a sentence...	Climax The most intense, exciting, or important part of a story...	Resolution The part of the story where the problem is solved...
Flashback A scene that takes the reader back to an earlier time...	Suspense A feeling of excited or anxious uncertainty...	Dialogue A conversation between two or more people...
Vocabulary The body of words used in a particular language or subject...	Cohesion The way sentences and paragraphs are joined together...	Explain why a writer uses a particular word or phrase...
Compare and contrast ...	Justify your answer... Does a story need a 'climax'?	What might happen next?
Rewrite this sentence... 'The monkey climbed the tree.'	Choose two items...	