

Diary Discovery with Pip the Bookworm

Learning objective: To identify the key features of diary writing, including the use of first-person perspective, chronological order, and informal language.

Read the notes below and answer the questions. Pip the Bookworm is looking for help to organise his diary entries! Use your knowledge of Year 5 English to complete the quiz.

Answer Key: 1. A (First-person), 2. True, 3. True, 4. C (Chronological), 5. Past tense, 6. False, 7. B (Informal), 8. True, 9. Reflective, 10. B (To record personal feelings and events).

Word bank: Chronological · First-person · Informal · Emotive language · Past tense · Reflective

1. 1. Which point of view should a diary entry be written in? A) First-person (I, me, my) * B) Second-person (you, your) C) Third-person (he, she, they) D) None of the above (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: A diary entry should always be written in chronological order. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: Diary entries are usually written in the past tense because they describe events that have already happened. (1 mark)

4. 4. What do we call the order in which events happened? A) Alphabetical B) Random C) Chronological * D) Backwards (1 mark)

5. 5. What tense is used to describe an event that happened yesterday in a diary? (1 word) (1 mark)

6. 6. True or False: A diary entry must always include a formal signature and a business address. (1 mark)

7. 7. Which type of language is most suitable for a personal diary? A) Formal B) Informal * C) Scientific D) Legal (1 mark)

8. 8. True or False: You should include your thoughts and feelings in a diary entry. (1 mark)

9. 9. Fill in the blank: Writing about how you feel after an event makes a diary entry _____. (1 word) (1 mark)

10. 10. What is the main purpose of a diary? A) To persuade others B) To record personal feelings and events * C) To report news D) To give instructions (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Pip the Bookworm sitting on a leaf, writing in a small leather-bound diary with a tiny quill pen.



Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph (50-80 words) describing a secret adventure Pip the Bookworm had in the garden yesterday. Remember to use the first-person ('I'), the past tense, and include how Pip felt!