

Story Structure Sorting with Pip the Bookworm

Learning objective: To understand the structure of a simple story, including the beginning, the middle, and the end.

Pip the Bookworm is trying to organise his favourite stories, but the pages have got muddled up! Look at the sentences below. Decide if each one belongs in the 'Beginning', 'Middle', or 'End' of a story and write it in the correct box.

Word bank: Once upon a time · Suddenly · Happily ever after · First · Then · Finally

1. 1. Pip meets a tiny dragon who has lost his favourite shiny pebble. (2 marks)

2. 2. Pip and the dragon search under the big oak tree and find the pebble hidden in the moss. (2 marks)

3. 3. The dragon gives Pip a big hug and they become best friends forever. (2 marks)

4. 4. Write your own 'Beginning' sentence for a story about a monkey who finds a map. (2 marks)

5. 5. Which word from the word bank would you use to start a story? Why? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of what happens in the 'Middle' of your own story. Make sure we can see the problem the character is trying to solve!



Extension challenge: Think of a brand new story. Can you tell it to a partner using the words 'First', 'Then', and 'Finally' to keep your story in order?