

Leo the Lion's Christmas Story Sequencing

Learning objective: To develop narrative structure skills by sequencing the main events of a Christmas story in the correct order.

Leo the Lion has written a lovely Christmas story, but his pages got mixed up in the wind! Read the events below. Cut them out or write the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 in the circles to show the order they happened in the story.

Word bank: first · then · next · after that · finally · Christmas · star · gift · friends · snow

1. 1. The friends decorate the big green tree with shiny baubles. (1 mark)

2. 2. A bright star is placed on the very top of the tree. (1 mark)

3. 3. Everyone gathers together to sing a happy song. (1 mark)

4. 4. Pip the caterpillar finds a small present under the tree. (1 mark)

5. 5. The friends share a warm mug of cocoa costing £1 each. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of what happens at the end of the story when all the friends are sitting together.

Extension challenge: Talk to a partner about your favourite part of the story. Can you use the words 'first' and 'finally' to explain what happened?