

My Great Adventure: A Diary Entry Writing Template

Learning objective: To use paragraphs to organise information and ideas into a clear, chronological structure.

Join Max the monkey on an imaginary journey! Use this diary entry template to practise your paragraphing. Remember to use a new paragraph whenever you change the time, the place, or the main topic of your writing.

Word bank: adventure · exhilarating · suddenly · meanwhile · discovery · eventually · astonishing · tranquil

1. Paragraph 1: The Departure. Describe how your day started and where you were heading. What were you feeling as you set off? (2 marks)

2. Paragraph 2: The Main Event. Describe an exciting challenge or a discovery you made along the way. Focus on the action. (2 marks)

3. Paragraph 3: A Moment of Calm. Describe the scenery around you. What could you see, hear, or smell in this peaceful moment? (2 marks)

4. Paragraph 4: The Conclusion. Reflect on your adventure. How did the day end, and what did you learn from the experience? (2 marks)

5. Check your work: Have you used at least one fronted adverbial (e.g., 'Suddenly,') to help the flow of your writing? (1 mark)

Extension challenge: Choose one paragraph you have written and try to expand it by adding a relative clause to give extra detail about a person or a place.