

Dear Diary: Capturing Your World

Unlock your inner narrator and turn today's moments into tomorrow's memories!

- **Why must diary entries always be written from the first-person perspective (using 'I', 'me', and 'my')?**
- **How do temporal conjunctions, such as 'meanwhile', 'subsequently', or 'shortly afterwards', help to organise the timeline of your day?**
- **Why is it important to include your personal thoughts and feelings rather than just listing the events that happened?**
- **What makes a diary entry sound like a private conversation with yourself, and how does this affect the choice of vocabulary?**
- **Why do writers often use 'show, don't tell' techniques to describe their emotions instead of simply stating how they felt?**

Did you know? Did you know that the word 'diary' comes from the Latin word 'diarium', which means 'daily allowance' or 'daily record'? Famous diarists throughout history have used their journals to document everything from world-changing events to the simple, quiet observations of their daily lives.

Key vocabulary: First-person perspective · Chronological order · Emotive language · Reflective · Temporal conjunctions · Informal tone