

Max's Grammar Puzzle: The Adventurer's Diary

Learning objective: To accurately use active and passive voice, formal language, and a range of cohesive devices in a diary entry.

Imagine you are an explorer on a grand expedition with Max the monkey. Use this template to write a formal diary entry describing your day. Focus on varying your sentence structures and using the provided word bank to ensure your writing is precise and engaging.

Word bank: subsequently · furthermore · nevertheless · discovered · meticulously · consequently · was observed · had been hidden

1. Setting the Scene: Describe the location of your expedition using a passive voice sentence to explain what was discovered there. (2 marks)

2. The Challenge: Explain a problem you encountered with Max. Use a formal tone and include at least one cohesive device (e.g., 'subsequently' or 'nevertheless'). (3 marks)

3. The Solution: Describe how the problem was solved. Ensure your verbs are in the past tense and your vocabulary is ambitious. (3 marks)

4. Reflection: Write a concluding sentence about what you have learnt today. Use a relative clause to add extra information about Max or the environment. (2 marks)

5. Grammar Check: Identify one example of a passive voice sentence you wrote and explain why it makes the diary entry sound more formal. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Rewrite one of your paragraphs to change the tone from formal to informal. How does this change the way your reader perceives the character of Max?