

Fictional Story: Prewriting

A **fictional story** is made up. It has characters, a plot, and a setting.

Parts of a Fictional Story

- A beginning, middle, and ending
- A plot with a problem that gets solved
- Action told in time order
- Dialogue, or words spoken by the characters

Brainstorming List

- Mrs. Lee's bird comes to visit
- Chef Primo burns the dinner
- A day at the zoo
- Taking care of Simba the cat



Title: When Mrs. Lee's Bird Came to Visit

<p>Setting</p> <p>the living room outside</p>	<p>Characters</p> <p>Max and Molly Mom Mrs. Lee and her bird</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Plot</p> <p>Beginning</p> <p>Max and Molly hear someone outside yelling for a cookie.</p> <p>Middle</p> <p>It is a bird that is yelling. The bird belongs to Mrs. Lee.</p> <p>End</p> <p>Max and Molly return the bird.</p>	

Name _____

Follow your teacher's directions to complete this page.**We Do**
1

Setting A spooky cabin in the woods	Characters Jacob and his dog
Plot	
Beginning Jacob's dog starts barking loudly at the front door .	
Middle	
End	

You Do
2

Choose one group of characters for a fictional story.
Then, on a separate piece of paper, fill in a story map
to plan your story.

A stray dog and cat	Three ladybugs
A dad and his two children	Two best friends
Two brothers	Lightning and thunder

You Do
3

On another sheet of paper, plan a fictional story, or
use what you have learned to improve another plan.

WRITING FORMS

Fictional Story

A **fictional story** is made up and tells what happens to one or more characters. It also has a setting and a plot.

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- A beginning, a middle, and an ending
- A plot with a problem that gets solved
- Events told in time order
- Dialogue, or words spoken by the characters, in quotation marks



Dialogue

Tells exactly what characters say

“Cookie! Cookie! I want Cookie.”

Beginning

Has a problem to be solved

Max and Molly jumped. **All at once**, Max looked at Molly and said, “Who said that?” The voice came from the flower box outside.

Seconds later, Max and Molly ran to the window. Sitting in the daisies was a yellow bird.

Middle

Events told in order

Molly said, “Mom, look. That bird keeps saying it wants a cookie.”

Mom laughed. “I think that’s Mrs. Lee’s bird. Mrs. Cookie Lee. She lives across the street.”

Ending

Tells how the problem was solved

Molly and Max **soon** returned the bird. Mrs. Lee was so happy!

Other Transitions

After
After that
At first
During
Meanwhile
Last
At last
Finally
Then

Name _____

Follow your teacher’s directions to complete the frame.



“I want to go to the zoo today,” said Lucy. _____

_____. All at once, _____

_____.

Seconds later, _____

_____.

_____.

“ _____,” said _____

_____. At first, _____

_____.

_____.

_____. Then _____

_____.

_____. At last, _____

_____.



On a sheet of paper, write a fictional story about a new pet.



On a sheet of paper, use your prewriting plan to write a fictional story. If you like, make a new plan to write a story about a hero.