

ELA Virtual Learning

4th Grade Narrative Writing

April 7, 2020



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Learning Target:

The student will be able to use transition words and phrases to organize a sequence of events.

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Background: This is a Narrative writing Lesson from 4th Grade

- Students learn to place events in the order they occurred in kindergarten
- Students learn to use linking words to indicate beginning, middle and end in 1st grade
- Students learn to use linking/transition words to signal event order in 2nd grade
- Students learn to use transition words and phrases to signal event order in 3rd grade

Let's Get Started:

- 1. https://www.brainpop.com/english/writing/writinginsequence/
- Stop and jot the first three things you did this morning when you woke up, in order.

Practice #1: What words could you use to show the beginning of a story?

Think back to the video.

 What words did Tim and Moby use to show their first steps?





Practice #2:

What <u>phrases</u> could you use to show the <u>middle</u> of a story?

a **phrase** is a group of **words** in a sentence that work together like a single **word**. For example the house at the end of the street

Common Transition Phrases:

Beginning:

At first, In the beginning, First of all, In the first place, To Begin



Middle:

At the same time, All of a sudden, At once, Out of the blue, With this in mind, Before I knew it, Just then

Ending:

In conclusion, In the end, When it was over

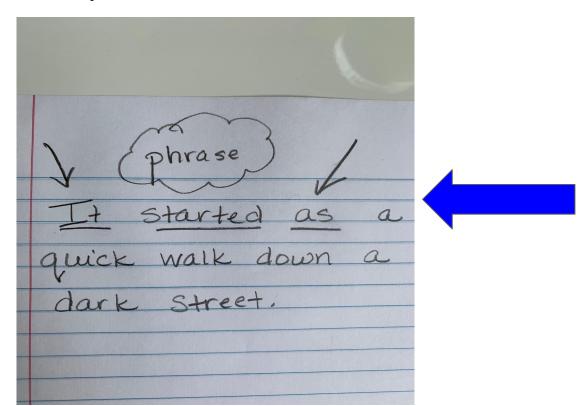
Practice #3:

Use your own notebook paper to create a sentence using a transition word or phrase to start a narrative.

Look back at the charts and use one of the choices there

OR

See if you can come up with your own.



Practice on your own:

- 1. Using our text from Scholastic, <u>Hanging Tough</u>, begin a narrative story about what you think the sloth in the picture is up to.
- 2. Use your own <u>paper</u> to write for ten minutes.
- 3. Make sure you are using the transition words and phrases that we saw today OR come up with your own.
- 4. Have someone else read your writing and give you feedback about your transitions.
- 5. Type your narrative if you have time on Google documents and share with your teacher.
- 6. If you're ready for another task, <u>click here!</u>

MORE Practice on your own:

Go to this website: <u>Transitions</u>

- 1. Select PLAY, then START
- 2. Choose the transition word/phrase that best completes the sentence.
- 3. Use the orange cat in the left corner for hints and suggestions.



Self Check: Go tell someone in your home your answers.



- 1. Was this lesson?
 - □ easy,
 - ☐ just right
 - □ hard

2. Tell a story out loud to someone making sure you are using transition words or phrases.