



ELA Virtual Learning

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Objective/Learning Target:

I can retell the main events of a story using transition words.

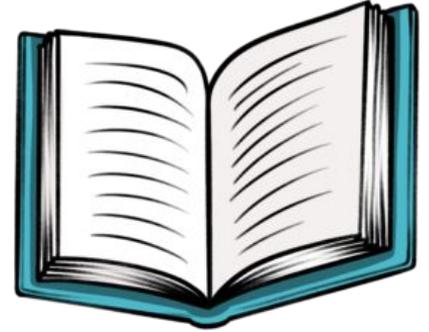


Warm-Up

First: Set the timer and read for 5 minutes.

Next: On your notebook paper, write 5 events that happened in your story during your reading time.

Last: Look back over the events. Did you write the events in the order in which they happened in your book? Did you use transitions words to retell the events of the story?

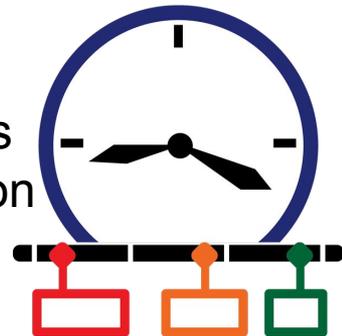




Learn

When you retell events from a story:

- Tell what happened in the correct order using complete sentences.
- Include the main idea.
- Use sequencing words to make your story “flow” (first, then, next, etc.).
- Use specific character names so the listener can understand and follow the plot.
- Include all necessary details and events that are crucial to the story.
- Overall, your retell should be cohesive and concise. A person who is unfamiliar to the story should be able to understand the story based on your retell.





Learn

The Beginning

Introduce the main characters, the setting and declare the problem or situation.



The Middle

Contains the action, plot and ends in the crisis or moment of discovery.



The End

Contains the resolution or solves the problem.

BEGINNING

- In the beginning
- First of all
- Once upon a time
- One day
- First/ Firstly
- To begin
- To start
- Once

MIDDLE

- Soon
- Meanwhile
- Then
- After that
- Third/ Thirdly
- And
- In addition
- Also
- Later
- After/ Before
- Next
- Second/ Secondly
- Furthermore
- Subsequently
- Moreover
- Another

INTERRUPTION

(something unexpected)

- Suddenly
- All of a sudden
- But then

ENDING

- Finally
- At last
- In conclusion
- To summarise
- After all
- By the end
- At the end
- Afterward
- In the end
- Lastly
- By this point
- Eventually

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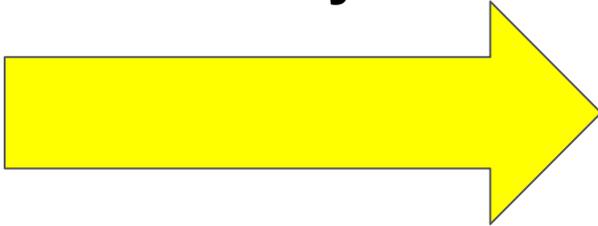
Authors use transition words to help show the sequence.



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Watch the [video](#).

Notice how transition words are used to retell the events of the story.





Practice

Click on the image to read the story [“The Watch”](#) by Jack Gantos.

On your notebook paper, use transition words to retell 5 main events of the story. Be sure to only include the events that are crucial, or important, to the story.

Check: Did you tell the events in the order in which they happened? Did you include detail from the beginning, middle, and end of the story? Read back through the story to check your sequence.





Practice Answer Key

Answer may vary

Sample Response:

1. **First:** Jack Gantos finds a watch while waiting for the school bus to arrive.
2. **Next:** While sitting in class, Jack noticed his watch made a reflection on the ceiling when the sun shone on it.
3. **After That:** Jack zapped all his classmates and his teacher in the eye with the light from the reflection.
4. **Then:** Jack's teacher takes his watch and smashes it with his wooden pointer.
5. **Finally:** Jack is disappointed but tells himself that next time he will know better.



Additional Resource

Have some fun with your reading!
See if you can complete a **BINGO!**

Click on the image to make the
bingo sheet bigger.



NAME: _____

AT-HOME READING

BINGO

Mark each space you complete. Can you get bingo? Can you fill the entire card?

B	I	N	G	O
Read a book about a historical figure	Create or draw a new award for your favorite book	Read a chapter book	Read the first book in a series	Give a friend a book recommendation and ask for one in return
Read a book with a character's name in the title	Video chat someone and read to them	Read a book that makes you laugh	Create a blanket fort to read in	Read a graphic novel or comic book
Reread a book you love	Describe a character from what you're reading to a family member	FREE SPACE Feel free to daydream	Read a book to a pet or stuffed animal	Have your family help you watch an author read their book online
Pick a destination that interests you and read about it	Read a book outside	Draw a new cover for your favorite book	Read the instructions to a game and play it	Read a mystery book
Read a poem	Rewrite the ending to a book you've read	Read a book with a flashlight	Dress up like your favorite character using what's in your closet	Read a book to a family member

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