

Crafting Your Own Adventure with Leo the Lion

Learning objective: To plan and write a short story using fronted adverbials, expanded noun phrases, and varied sentence structure.

Leo the Lion is looking for a new adventure! Use this frame to plan your story. Remember to describe the setting, introduce a problem, and explain how the character solves it. Use your best adjectives and remember to check your punctuation.

Word bank: courageous · mysterious · suddenly · tremendous · glimmering · cautiously · astonishing · whispering · eventually

1. Who is the main character in your story, and what is one special personality trait they have? (2 marks)

2. Where is your story set? Use an expanded noun phrase to describe the environment (e.g., 'the dark, tangled forest'). (2 marks)

3. What is the 'hook' or the problem that your character faces? Write a sentence using a fronted adverbial (e.g., 'Without warning, the ground began to shake.'). (2 marks)

4. How does your character solve the problem? Think about what actions they take. (2 marks)

5. Why is it important to include a variety of sentence lengths in your story? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a map of the world where your story takes place. Label three key landmarks that your character visits.



Extension challenge: Can you rewrite your story ending using a piece of direct speech? Make sure to use inverted commas correctly around the spoken words!