

Monday – Sequencing Paragraphs

Jess had never been so excited. After working on her project for three months, she had won the first prize in the art competition. The trip to the Kenyan safari was hers. There was only one catch. She would have to go tonight.

Firstly, she called her best friend Lily to tell her the good news. She had known all along that if she won, Lily was the only person she would want to invite. Lily screamed with joy and happily agreed to go.

Jess fetched her suitcase and began to pack. She put as many clothes and shoes inside as she could and sat on top of it while she zipped it up.

Jess made some toast and sat down at the kitchen table. She thought about the trip ahead and smiled to herself. She couldn't wait to see the lions, elephants and giraffes in their homeland.

Next, she called for a taxi to take her to the airport. She put her phone, charger, purse and passport away in her bag and looked around the house to make sure she hadn't forgotten anything.

Finally, she was ready to leave. The taxi arrived so she grabbed her things and headed out the door. She was ready for the adventure of a lifetime.

1. Find and copy three fronted adverbials used to sequence the paragraphs.

2. True or false?

The text would still make sense if paragraphs 3 and 4 swapped positions.

3. Circle which paragraph could start with the fronted adverbial 'Secondly'?

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4. Where could the paragraph below be placed in the text?

Then, she washed her plate and tidied the kitchen. She rang her dad and he whooped loudly when he heard the news. He told her how proud he was of her and she beamed with joy.

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Layla's favourite hobby was snowboarding. She was so happy to be at her favourite ski resort in the Swiss Alps.

Layla woke up early and got dressed in her snowboarding gear. She loved getting started while it was still quiet. Locking up her chalet, she walked to the slopes.

The sparkling snow crunched under her boots. She stood at the top of her favourite slope and looked down. The path was clear, so she strapped her feet onto the board and got herself in position.

She pushed herself forwards and started to slide over the edge. She picked up some speed and happily glided down. When she reached the bottom, she took off her board and looked around. She breathed in the cold morning air and closed her eyes. It felt like she was in heaven.

She turned around to make her way back up the bank when she saw a dark figure in the distance. She couldn't see who it was, but she knew they were staring right at her.

5. Write the next paragraph to continue the story. Use the fronted adverbial 'Suddenly' to start your paragraph.

6. Oscar swaps paragraphs 2 and 3.

Does the text still make sense? Convince me.

7. Is Suzie correct? Explain why.



I could add the fronted adverbial 'Eventually' to the first sentence in paragraph 5.

Thursday – Present Perfect or Simple Past?

1. Circle the missing verb or verbs for each of the sentences.

A. Ellie _____ her leg.

breaked

has broke

broken

has broken

B. Sam _____ a new shed.

builed

has build

built

has builed

2. Put an 'X' to show the tense of each sentence.

Sentence	Present Perfect	Simple Past
A. Lisa has bought her brother's birthday present.		
B. Jason opened the door for his mum.		
C. The aeroplane flew over the Pacific Ocean.		
D. Miss Jones has misspelt the date on the board.		
E. The children have stolen the sweets.		

3. Rewrite the sentence below in the simple past tense.

A. We have lived in this house for five years and we have been very happy here.

Rewrite the sentence below in the present perfect tense.

B. Kayleigh wore her old boots at the park and stepped in the mud.