

Tell the Moment

Use the picture, partner talk and word bank to write a short story moment with clear who, where, feeling and action.

CLASS

Year 4 EAL writing group

FOCUS

Say it first • choose words • join ideas

TARGET

5-7 clear sentences



1 Look, think, say

Look at the key near the rain garden gate. Tell your partner what Mina sees, how she feels and what she does next. Then write the same ideas in sentences.

Say it: Mina found a key near the gate.

Stretch it: Mina found a tiny brass key near the open gate because...

2 Word bank

WHO

Mina

friend

caretaker

class

WHERE

garden

gate

path

bench

FEELINGS

curious

worried

excited

safe

JOINERS

and

because

when

so

3 Build sentences

A Mina found a _____ key near the _____.

Use an adjective and a place.

B She felt _____ because _____.

Explain the feeling.

C When she looked closer, _____.

Add the next action.

D She said, "_____".

Try one spoken sentence.

4 Write your paragraph

5 Read back and improve

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| ☐ I can read my sentences aloud. | ☐ I used words from the picture and word bank. |
| ☐ I used because, when or so to join an idea. | ☐ I checked capital letters, full stops and speech marks. |