

MONTHLY WRITING - MAGICAL MARCH

(PRIMARY)



Breakaway Tuition values the importance of writing, both at school and at home. For the month of March, we are encouraging kids to write a MAGICAL story. The following scaffolds can be used to guide your child through the process of writing.



USING A THESAURUS

Using a thesaurus is an important skill for kids to be able to use. Not only does it allow them skills in finding alternative words to use (especially when they use the same words over and over), but it also gets them to expand their vocabulary!

EDITING WORK

Editing is a super important skills that we want kids to use AUTOMATICALLY. We want students to check their work when they have finished their writing, but also for it to be an automatic process while they are creating their work too.

The easiest way to get kids to edit, is to get them to read their work aloud first. This will help them to hear if things aren't making sense. Then, you want them to look for the basics:

Spelling - circle the words you think are incorrect, underline the ones you are unsure of.

Punctuation- do I have capitals, fullstops and commas.

Sense- does my writing make sense? Or are there words missing.

Paragraphs- do I use paragraphs?

Better words- can I use a better word?



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CHARACTER PROFILE - SCAFFOLD

Creating a character profile can help kids to put all of their ideas for their main character down onto the page.

Characters name:

Magical skills:

What do they like to do?

What don't they like to do?

Who is in their family?





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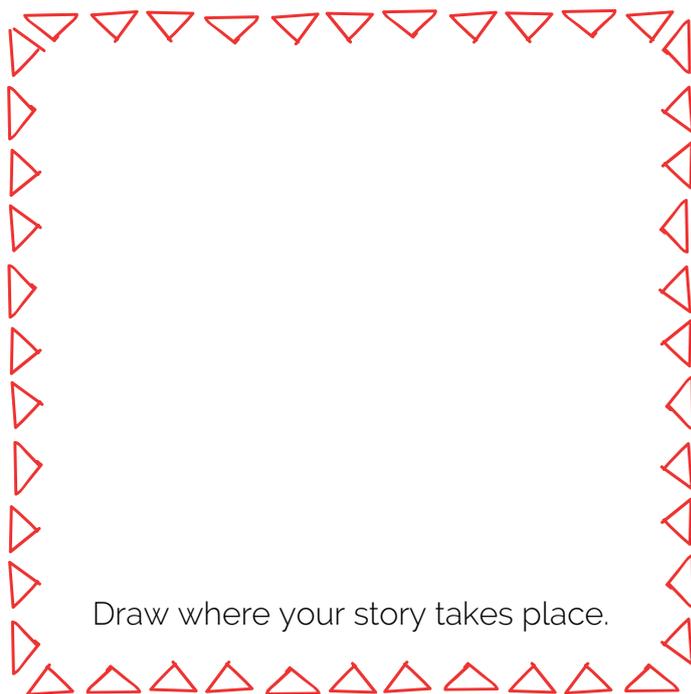
MAGICAL SETTING - SCAFFOLD

A setting helps children to think about, and describe where their story takes place. It is usually describe as a town.

Name of the place:

Describe what it looks like:

Where does the main story take place?



What magical things occur in the place?





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SETTING UP THE STORY

Stories all have a beginning, a middle (complication) and an ending (solution/ resolution). This scaffold is to help kids think about what might happen in their finished story, and how it gets resolved.

Possible Problem faced #1

Possible Solution #1

Possible Problem faced #2

Possible Solution #2

