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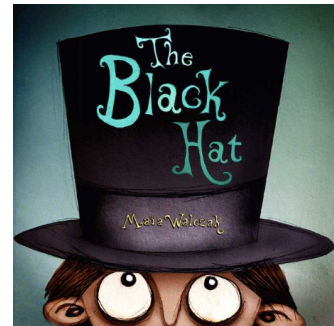
Lesson 5: Writing a story

In this lesson, you are going to use your plan to write your own story based on 'The Black Hat'.

On the next few slides you will find a **word mat** and an **example to help you**.

Top tips:

- ✓ Use the word mat to help you
- ✓ Include lots of expanded noun phrases
- ✓ Use different sentence openers
- ✓ Use your imagination
- ✓ **Can you include any speech in your story? Remember your "and"**
- ✓ Enjoy 😊



Story word mat:

Sentence openers:	Adjectives:	Conjunctions:
A long time ago, In a forest faraway, Without warning, To his amazement, Incredibly, Unbelievably, Everywhere he looked, Out of the corner of his eye,	enchanted mysterious bright incredible colourful beautiful exotic unusual magical magnificent	When If As Until Before After During Meanwhile So



Miss Robertson's example:

Introduction: There was once a boy, quite ordinary like any other. He lived in an old, forest cabin with his elderly grandmother. There weren't many things a lonely, young boy could do so he went for a walk in the nearby forest hoping he would find something new.

His ears rejoiced at the creak of a branch and the crunch of a twig. The forest was dark, deep and damp. In the distance, the boy spotted an unusual, black hat lying on the forest floor. He had certainly never seen it before. Carefully, he picked it up and placed it on his head.

Build up: Days passed but nothing seemed to be happening. One night, the boy placed his hat neatly on his bedside table . As he drifted off to sleep, strange creatures climbed out from inside. To his amazement, when the the boy woke up, he was greeted by the mesmerising sight of exotic birds, jewel coloured insects and graceful butterflies.

Miss Robertson's example:

He didn't want to let the precious creatures go so he decided to keep them in cages. He thought they would all be happy to be inside.

Problem: One day, the boy woke up. He quickly raced downstairs to see his beloved pets. To his horror, all of the birds were nowhere to be seen.

"Where are you?" he shouted nervously but there was no answer.

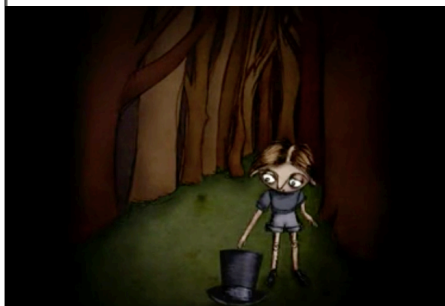
Resolution: He decided to rush to the forest to search for the animals. At the top of the tallest tree, the boy could see the birds flying happily and gracefully. All of sudden, he knew what he needed to do. He realised that the birds were happiest when they were flying freely. They didn't need to be trapped in cages.

Ending: Each day, the boy rushed to the forest to find the tallest tree. He played happily with each of the creatures there. The black hat really was a magical hat.

Alternative activity:

Watch the Black Hat video again. Produce a detailed comic strip of the story. I have done the first box to help you 😊

Comic Strip



One day, a young boy was wandering through the deep dark forest.

Thank you for working so hard.

Please send in any photos of your stories. I would really love to read them.

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It is always a pleasure to see all of your work.



Excellent!