

Retelling

Story Retelling

Somebody

Who is the main character?

Wanted

What does the character want?

But

What is the problem?

So

How do they solve the problem?



Then

How does the story end?



My Retelling Hand

I can remember the different parts of the story I read.



Setting

When, and where does the story take place?



Problem

What went wrong in the story?

Events

In the Story

What happened in the beginning, middle and end of the story?

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Characters

Who are the people, animals, or creatures in the story?



Solution

How was the problem fixed or resolved?



main idea:

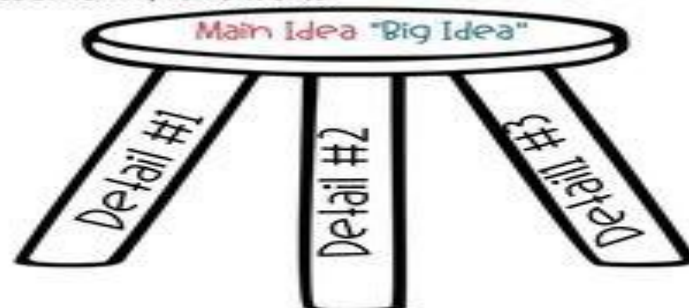
the most important idea about a topic, the "big idea", what the text is mostly about.

Use clues to help you find the Main Idea

- What is the text mostly about?
- Look at titles and headings
- Look at pictures
- Sometimes the main idea is stated in the first and last sentences
- Look for repeated words.

Supporting details tell...

- How
- What
- When
- Where
- Why
- How many
- How much



Simple Story Retelling



Somebody

- Who is the main character?
- Who are the minor characters?



Wanted

- What does the main character want?
- What do the minor characters want?



But

- What is keeping the main character from his or her goals?
- What is the problem in the story?
- What obstacles are the characters facing?



So

- How is the problem being solved?
- What did the main character do to change the problem?



Then

- What was the outcome?
- Was the problem able to be solved?
- How was the problem solved?

Five-Finger Retell

Setting - When & Where? Characters - Who?

Problem - What went wrong?

Events - Beginning, Middle, End

Solution - How was the problem solved?

fiction stories

*using ordinal words

name _____

first

next

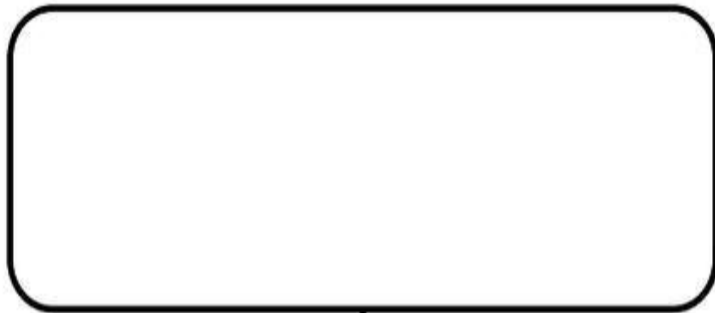
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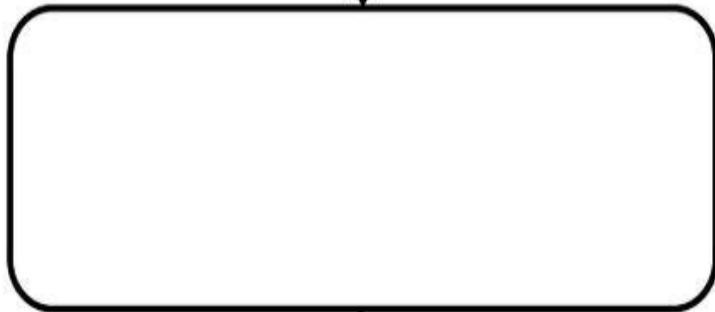
Sequencing

Write a sentence and draw a picture to show the correct order of events from the story.

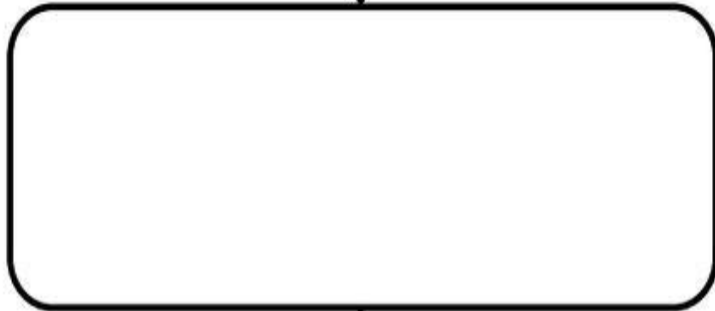
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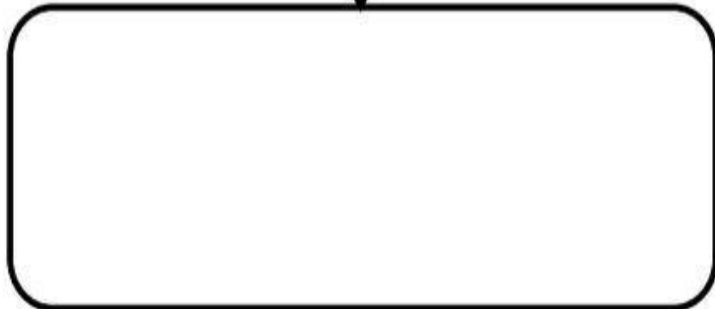
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Then



Last



Title: _____
Author: _____

Characters:

Setting:

Beginning:

Middle:

End:

Problem:

Resolution:

Name: _____

Date: _____

Five Finger Story Sequencing

Directions: Fill in the five boxes below to help you retell a story you just read.

Title: _____ Author: _____

A graphic organizer for story sequencing. It features a central hand with five fingers. Each finger is connected to a rectangular box. The boxes are labeled as follows: the top finger is labeled 'Then,'; the middle finger is labeled 'Next,'; the bottom finger is labeled 'First,'; the left index finger is labeled 'After that,'; and the right index finger is labeled 'Finally,'. The entire graphic is enclosed in a green rounded rectangle with four green stars scattered around it.