

Answering Strategy

1. Text type and format – This is a short story. Develop it across several paragraphs, structuring it so that it has a background, main body and ending. Title the story creatively and in a way that is representative of its content. Place the title above the first paragraph.
2. Genre – This is a piece of narrative writing. Develop the story freely with your imagination. However, make sure the plot is logical and that the instructions are being followed. Where appropriate, develop characters and use monologues and dialogues.
3. Language and formality – The style of a story submitted for a school project needs not be formal. However, it should have rich descriptions and therefore lots of verbs and adjectives. The tone of the story depends on what it is about. Write in the simple past tense. Use direct speech to make the story more vivid.
4. Organisation – Divide the story into a few paragraphs. Devote one or two to each of the following: setting, development, climax, and ending. As the setting, include time, place and the characters. Create a climax midway through the story that is unexpected enough to make a strong impression. At the end, deliver a moral message: e.g. togetherness pays off.
5. Topic and vocabulary – The topic of this story is brotherhood and retelling a classic tale. Draw on your own experience. Also refer to the following vocabulary for suggestions about ideas.

Useful vocabulary and expressions

Verbs / verb phrases

alert	使……警覺
charge	向……衝去
duck down	彎下身子躲避
exclaim	大聲喊
grin	咧嘴笑
hum	哼唱
meander along	漫步在
mumble	喃喃而語
murmur	低聲細語
ponder	仔細思考
sneak	偷偷摸摸
take a nap	小憩

Nouns / noun phrases

a winding stream	蜿蜒的小溪
chimney	煙囪
hay	乾草
rugged mountains	崎嶇的山巒
ruin	廢墟
turf	草皮
swagger	大搖大擺地走

yawn

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Adjectives

arrogant	自大的
enticing	誘人的
lush	蔥鬱的
sparky	活潑的
stunning	極美的

Adverbs

dreamily	心不在焉地
exhilaratingly	令人興奮地
heartily	由衷地
resolutely	堅決地
subconsciously	下意識地
unanimously	一致地

Others

a cluster of	一簇
as scheduled	如期
in disgrace	蒙受恥辱