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NARRATIVE

WRITING TOPICS

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Narrative Writing is a form of writing that tells a story. It is one of the four types of writings (including evaluative, informative and the interactive) that students in our schools need to have a solid background of how to master this piece of writing. This booklet will hopefully give students the basics of how to write a story in a chronological order, and provide some possible topics that they could have in their final exam. All topics are related to the four themes of the book, and are provided with helpful ideas for each one. These are only examples to help students in their final exam. They can think of other ones.

I hope you get benefit of it. WISH YOU ALL THE BEST.

STEPS of How to write a Narrative Writing (a STORY)

1. Read the question carefully to **UNDRSTAND** the **IDEA** of the story.
2. Think of the main **ELEMENTS** of the story (which are the different parts of the story) including:
 - A. **SETTING**: which talks about the place and time of the story?
 Where? (Place: school, jungle, city, desert, abroad.....etc.)
 When? (Time: past, future, daytime, night, summer, winter.....etc.)
 Weather? (Add Adjectives: sunny, cloudy, rainy, calm, a good weather.....etc.)
 - B. **CHARCTERS**:
 Who? (People in the story)
 - C. **EVENTS**:
 Should be in a Chronological Order (Order of time)
 - D. **THE TENSE**: Bear in mind what tenses should be used in the story:

The Tense	Example
Past Simple	It <u>was</u> a lovely day when the father <u>decided</u> to have a trip to Salalah with his family.
Past Continuous:	While the mother <u>was cooking</u> the food with her daughter, the father <u>was chatting</u> happily with his sons.
Past Perfect	After the family <u>had prepared</u> everything, they went on a trip to Salalah.
Direct Speech:	"Wow! That's an amazing idea, Dad," Sara replied to her father's suggestion to go to Salalah.

- E. **TRANSITIONAL WORDS and PHRASES**: very important in any story to show coherence, cohesion and the chronological order of the events. Examples

Beginning	Middle		Ending
• It all started when..... • It was..... • It began one (day, summer holiday.....etc) • One time..... • One day..... • In the beginning..... • Last summer/ winter.....etc	• First..... • Meanwhile..... • After that..... • Next..... • Soon after that..... • Suddenly..... • As you can imagine..... • Luckily..... • Eventually..... • fortunately.....	• Unfortunately..... • Immediately..... • Long after..... • Later..... • Therefore..... • As soon as..... • The following day..... • Shortly after..... • in the mean time.....	• At last..... • At the end..... • As a result..... • Finally..... • In conclusion..... • To sum it all up.....

3. Think of the **LAYOUT** of the **STORY**:

- A. **Beginning**: includes the **setting** and **characters** of the story. It should be attractive and interesting. *Examples*:

- ❖ “Have you ever had an unforgettable trip with your family? For me, I had such a wonderful holiday with my family going to Salalah. It was last summer when.....
- ❖ “Hurry up! We will miss the plane?” The father told his family after he had decided to take them on a trip to Salalah. It all started when.....
- ❖ One day in the last summer holiday, Ahmed and his family decided to go on a trip to Salalah. It was a nice sunny day when.....

- B. **Middle**: includes the **events** of the story.

- C. **Ending:** includes two important parts: (the **Ending** of the story, and **Feelings** or **Lessons** learnt from the story.) *Examples:*

- ❖ Ahmed and his family returned home after a wonderful holiday in Salalah. It was really an amazing trip with the family. All felt happy and pleased.

EXAMPLES OF NARRATIVE WRITING

Your teacher asked you to write a story entitled "An Enjoyable Journey".

Explain:

When and Where?

Who was in the journey?

What happened?

Why it was wonderful

Feeling?

Have you ever had visited a place with your family and spent a nice time with them? That's exactly what happened with Ahmed and his Family when he decided to take his family to Salalah.

It started one sunny, hot day in the last summer holiday when Ahmed surprised his family to go on a trip to Salalah. All the family was excited and happy. They started preparing their stuff taking everything they needed. The trip was by plane, and that's what made it more fantastic because it was their first time to go by plane. Two days later, it was the tie for their trip, so they took everything and went to the airport. The flight was smooth and comfortable. We arrived at Salalah Airport in the evening, and luckily Ahmed had already rented a car and booked a flat for them in the city. They immediately went to the flat and organized their stuff there. On day one, Ahmed and his family went to Darbat. It was really an amazing place with the nice weather. The family enjoyed their time there cooking lunch, chatting and having some other activities. The next day, they went to Sahal Eteen where they had a nice time chatting together. After that, they went to the festival and had fun there till the evening. Ahmed and his family stayed there for six days. They wished they had stayed longer because everything was joyful and fantastic.

Ahmed and his family returned home after a wonderful holiday in Salalah. It was really an amazing trip with the family. All felt happy and pleased.

Your teacher asked you to write a story entitled "A Memorable Day" (Nightmare Meal). Write a story that ends in a disaster. Explain:

When and Where?

Who was in the journey?

What happened?

Why it was horrible

Feeling?

Personally I'm not a fan of eating outdoors, but I couldn't refuse my family's request when they decided to go for dinner in a fine restaurant. It was last week with my family told me that they had booked a 5-star restaurant for dinner. I agreed to go when I saw everybody was excited.

We prepared ourselves and went to the restaurant. We were chatting happily, expecting everything would be perfect since we had reserved a 5-star restaurant. Unfortunately the opposite was true. First we arrived five minutes before the booking. Our table was not yet empty. We had to wait for 20 minutes. Then, we went to our table, we were shocked it was only for four persons and we booked for seven. That was really frustrating because we had to wait another ten minutes to have an empty table. It wasn't only that. Sadly, the food was not delicious. We had to wait for a long time between courses. On top of that, the bill was too expensive for such dinner.

After such horrible dinner, we returned home frustrated for this bad experience. As an Advice for you, you need to make sure of the restaurant before you book for you and your family

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NARRATIVE WRITING TOPICS:

Theme1: "Retail Therapy"

- 1. Your teacher has asked you to write a story entitled "Enjoyable Shopping Experience". Explain:**

When?

Who was in the story?

What happened?

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Went to the mall
- ✓ Surprised 70% discount in almost all shops
- ✓ found your friends by chance; sat with them chatting and laughing
- ✓ Happy and excited; the most enjoyable experience ever.

Suggestion 2:

- ✓ went to the market with family
- ✓ found parking easily
- ✓ dealt with friendly shopkeepers
- ✓ could bargain; bought very cheap products
- ✓ Happy and excited; the most enjoyable experience ever.

2. Your teacher has asked you to write a story entitled "A Horrible Shopping Experience". Explain:

When?

Who was in the story?

What happened?

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Went to the market with family
- ✓ Looking for a car parking for almost an hour
- ✓ Told the security to help; couldn't help
- ✓ Return back home
- ✓ Felt disappointed and upset; "horrible experience ever"

Suggestion 2:

- ✓ Went to the market with family
- ✓ Looking for a car parking; took a handicapped parking
- ✓ A handicapped person saw and got angry
- ✓ blocked our car
- ✓ Waited for almost an hour to remove the car
- ✓ Return back home
- ✓ Felt embarrassed; never do it again

Suggestion 3:

- ✓ Went to the mall with family
- ✓ While shopping, little sister was lost
- ✓ All family was terrified.
- ✓ Looked for her everywhere; couldn't find
- ✓ An hour later, talked to the security; made announcement

- ✓ Meanwhile, a boy found the little sister; heard the announcement; took her to her family
- ✓ Felt happy and glad; thanked the boy.

3. Imagine that you were a shopaholic, and you felt you wanted to change that habit. Explain:

When it was

What you did to be a shopaholic

How you solved the problem

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ started two years ago
- ✓ Went shopping almost every weekend
- ✓ took money from family and sometimes from friends
- ✓ had debts for friends
- ✓ continued for a year and a half
- ✓ father noticed my situation
- ✓ talked to me seriously; felt embarrassed and upset
- ✓ advised me to do activities other than shopping: cooking, reading books...etc
- ✓ Felt satisfied; thanked father.

4. "It was the first time to have such experience." Write a story of you seeing an advertisement about blood donation. Explain:

When it was

What you did

How the experience was

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Last month, felt bored; had nothing to do.
- ✓ Saw an advertisement about blood donation
- ✓ felt excited and thrilled to try such experience
- ✓ went to hospital to donate blood
- ✓ felt dizzy; fell down in front of the hospital
- ✓ Some Nurses saw and helped him
- ✓ woke up; felt embarrassed

Theme 2: "Starting University"

1. **Your teacher has asked you to write a story entitled "difficult decision". Explain:**

When it was

What the decision was

How you solved the problem

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Ahmed: a hard working student
- ✓ got a scholarship after school
- ✓ Told his family; they refused
- ✓ disappointed and upset
- ✓ Tried to talk to them; refused
- ✓ asked help from uncle; talked with them about Ahmed's dream and ambition; convinced at last
- ✓ Ahmed felt very happy.

Suggestion 2:

- ✓ Maha finished school with good grades
- ✓ father wanted medicine for her
- ✓ She wanted business
- ✓ Was shocked; how to convince father
- ✓ Talked to uncle
- ✓ He talked to father about her dream and ambition; convinced at last
- ✓ felt happy

Suggestion 3:

- ✓ Maha finished school with good grades
- ✓ father wanted medicine for her
- ✓ She wanted business
- ✓ Was shocked; how to convince father
- ✓ Talked to him; refused
- ✓ She started studying medicine; could not succeed; failed
- ✓ Blamed the father; he felt very sorry
- ✓ Afford her to study business in another college
- ✓ father promised not to do it again

2. "Ahmed was a grade-12 student. He got a scholarship to Britain." Write about his story. Explain:

What he did at school

**What he did before and during going to Britain
Feeling?**

- 3. Your teacher has asked you to write a story entitled "A Successful Scholarship". Explain:
Who and When?
What he did before and during going
Feeling?**

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Ahmed: a hard working student
- ✓ got a scholarship to Britain
- ✓ A clever boy: prepared well before going; read about the university (rules and study), city and country (people's lifestyle)
- ✓ During: everything was clear; confident, independent
- ✓ studied hard
- ✓ succeed with high grades
- ✓ felt pleased and happy

- 4. "Studying abroad is really challenging," said Ahmed after he explained what happened to him in that experience. Write a story about Ahmed. Explain:**

When?

What happened?

How he solved the problem

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Ahmed: a hard working student
- ✓ got a scholarship to Britain
- ✓ Travelled there; felt homesick
- ✓ Couldn't cope with studying because of missing his family; felt depressed
- ✓ Talked to an Advisor in Student Support Service
- ✓ Advice: join clubs and societies; made friends
- ✓ became better; thanked the advisor
- ✓ Advice from Ahmed: Make sure you are ready psychologically and mentally for studying abroad

5. Your teacher asked you to write a story entitled "A Successful Business". Explain:

Who and When?

What happened?

Any problem with solution?

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Ahmed was not accepted at university; felt sad
- ✓ Family helped him; open a cafe
- ✓ No customer; depressed; asked family what to do

- ✓ Suggested to make advertisements and offers to attract customers
- ✓ Succeeded; more customers; popular cafe
- ✓ Thrilled and excited; never give up

6. Your teacher asked you to write a story entitled "My most Difficult Day at School". Explain:

When?

What happened?

Why it was hard

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ I was in Grade 8; Time of Exam
- ✓ Prepared well; studied hard for the English exam
- ✓ Went to school confidently
- ✓ Shocked; it was Arabic exam
- ✓ felt nervous and about to cry; what to do
- ✓ Teachers helped me to calm down
- ✓ Asked me to study for the exam
- ✓ Could succeed in the exam but with low marks
- ✓ Never do it again

7. Your teacher asked you to write a story entitled "My Perfect Day at School". Explain:

When?

What happened?

Why it was nice
Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ I was in Grade 8; excellent student in all subjects except English; got C or D
- ✓ Depressed; wanted to improve; what to do
- ✓ Asked for advice; one teacher helped (read English books, watch English movies, focus in the English lessons)
- ✓ Followed her advice
- ✓ A year later, became better in English; first semester got B; second semester got A
- ✓ Very happy; thanked the teacher
- ✓ Continue following her advice.

Theme3: "Hospitality Industry"

1. **Imagine you met a tourist in your village. He had a problem.**

Explain:

When?

Who the tourist was

What happened?

How you solved the problem

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Last year; A tourist from Britain

- ✓ Travelled around Oman by Motorbike (stopped working)
- ✓ What to do?
- ✓ Omani man saw him; helped
- ✓ Took his motorbike to garage; asked the tourist to come to his house
- ✓ Welcomed him and gave him food
- ✓ Chatted and sat together until the motorbike was ready
- ✓ Tourist very pleased with the Omani hospitality

2. Your teacher asked you to write a story entitled "An Enjoyable Journey". Explain:

When and Where?

Who was in the journey?

What happened?

Why it was wonderful

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Last summer; Family and I went to Salalah
- ✓ excited and happy; prepared everything
- ✓ went by plane (first time to go by plane)
- ✓ arrived at Salalah
- ✓ First Day: went to Darbat; wonderful place; had lunch with activities
- ✓ Second day: went to Sahel Eteen; green landscape; breathtaking
- ✓ Stayed for 5 days; memorable journey; unforgettable

3. Your teacher asked you to write a story entitled "A Memorable Journey". Write a story that ends in a disaster. Explain:

When and Where?

Who was in the journey?

What happened?

Why it was horrible

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ My family and I went to Dubai; National holiday
- ✓ Prepared our things
- ✓ On our way: remembered the passports; went back to bring them
- ✓ Reached Dubai in the evening
- ✓ Looking for a hotel; couldn't find a hotel
- ✓ At midnight we found a flat (very small; not clean; only one bathroom; AC not working well)
- ✓ Next day: wheel of the car exploded
- ✓ Called the emergency service to help; waited for almost an hour
- ✓ Everybody was frustrated; return back home; sad

4. Your teacher asked you to write a story entitled "A Memorable Day" (Nightmare Meal). Write a story that ends in a disaster. Explain:

When and Where?

Who was in the journey?

What happened?

Why it was horrible

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ My family and I booked a 5-star restaurant for dinner
- ✓ expected everything to be perfect; it was the opposite
- ✓ the table was not enough
- ✓ crowded
- ✓ food was not delicious; long waits between meals; expensive bill
- ✓ frustrated; went back home

5. Your teacher asked you to write a story entitled "A Memorable day". Explain:

When and Where?

Who was in the journey?

What happened?

Why it was horrible

Feeling?

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ My friends and I went booked a restaurant
- ✓ we went; the building was amazing: a cruise ship
- ✓ everything was organized (table, decor, food was delicious)
- ✓ it was my birthday; friends surprised me with a party in the restaurant
- ✓ happy; great experience

Theme 4: "Travel and Transport"

1. "Ahmed was a hard-working man in a company but he was always late for work....."

Write a story about Ahmed. Explain:

Why he was late

What happened?

How he solved the problem

Feeling

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Ahmed works in a fine company; hard-working; never takes a day off

- ✓ Last year; got bored of work; started being careless; slept late; woke up late; on the road stuck behind slow cars in congestion
- ✓ The manager was shocked; decided to talk to Ahmed
- ✓ Ahmed explained his boredom; manager suggested to take a holiday (even a month) to feel fresh and energetic
- ✓ Ahmed did with the manager's advice; became better
- ✓ thanked the manager; felt satisfied with himself again

2. **“Bader had got a job in a new town.....”**

Write about Bader's story. Explain:

When and Where?

What the job was

What he liked

What things he missed

How his life changed

Feeling

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Bader had worked in a small company in his small town
- ✓ last month, got promoted to be a manager in a new company in the capital city
- ✓ very happy
- ✓ Moved there with his little family
- ✓ The company was prestigious; salary was high; free car

- ✓ but he missed his pleasant colleagues; his town and neighbors
- ✓ Life in the capital city was different from what he used to in his town
- ✓ By time, he could manage; visit his town frequently
- ✓ happy

3. "Ahmed had an accident because of an aggressive driver....."

Write a story about Ahmed. Explain:

When?

What happened? (The driver's action)

How he reacted

Feeling

Suggestion 1:

- ✓ Ahmed was going on a trip with his friends
- ✓ happy and excited
- ✓ suddenly, noticed a car driving very fast; Ahmed tried to warn him
- ✓ Driver got angry; tried to overtake them; the road was narrow and one side only
- ✓ Ahmed was afraid of that driver; didn't know what to do; the car hit his car; they had a serious accident.
- ✓ fortunately nobody was hurt
- ✓ The driver felt sorry and embarrassed; promised not to do it again

- ✓ Since then, Ahmed and his friends started making campaign of how to drive safe

THANK YOU

