

Hermelin - Diary entries

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ESSENTIAL VOCABULARY/WORD BANK

detective	A person whose job is to investigate and solve crimes.
typewriter	A machine with keys that types numbers or letters one at a time.
pest	An annoying person or thing, or a destructive animal.
hurl	To throw with force.
suspects	A person thought to be guilty of a crime.
mysteries	Things that are difficult/impossible to explain.
clues	A piece of evidence used to detect a crime.
reward	A thing given in recognition for service or effort.

Does your diary entry include...

- the date and/or time that the entry was written?
- writing in the first person?
- writing in past tense for main events?
- events written in chronological order?
- personal emotions and feelings?
- paragraphs (including an introduction and conclusion) to organise your writing?
- an informal style of writing?
- time conjunctions and adverbials?

Final Outcome

Write a diary entry, including key phrases chosen to set mood.

Grammar, Punctuation or Language Features

noun	name of people, places and things	mouse, attic, letter
adjective	used to describe a noun	beautiful mouse
prefix	added to the beginning of a word to create a new word	kind - unkind happy - unhappy
simple sentence	a group of words that use a verb	Hermelin wrote letters. The attic was full of books.
conjunctions	words used to join sentences together	and, but, or, because, so
plurals	words to show there is more than one (adding 's' or 'es')	book - books box - boxes
adverbials of time	sentence starters to show the passing of time	One Monday morning, The next day,
compound word	two or more words are joined to make a new word	note + book = notebook hand + bag = handbag

Introductions

- At last, I have been able to...
- Dear diary...
- It's been a while since
- I last wrote in here.
- I'm not sure where to begin.
- Today, I received the best news.
- What a brilliant day it has been!
- You will never believe what has happened!

Key Features

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 - past tense
 - chronological order
- personal emotions and feelings
 - introduction
 - conclusion
 - informal style
- time conjunctions and adverbials

