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STAGE 3 · ENGLISH · WRITING PACK

Writing it yourself

A page to plan on, three things to write, and the questions to ask your own writing when you think you have finished.

WHAT IS INSIDE

- Before you write
- A page to plan on
- How a writer did it
- Task 1: The thing nobody noticed
- Task 2: An information page
- Task 3: The same scene twice
- When you think you have finished

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No answers at the back. There is nothing here to mark.

Written for a parent teaching at home. No training assumed, and nothing else to buy.

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How a writer did it

This is from your reading pack. You have already answered questions on it. Look at it now for how it is built.



Every morning Idris crossed the old bridge on his way to lessons, and every morning he counted the planks. There were forty one. He had counted them so many times that he no longer needed to look down.

One Tuesday he counted forty. He stopped in the middle and went back to the start, and counted again. Forty.

The missing plank was the ninth from the far end. Somebody had taken it, or it had rotted and dropped into the water. The gap was narrow, and a grown man would have stepped over it without noticing, but a small child running would not.

What it does

1. The first paragraph sets up what is normal, so the second can break it.
2. The number forty one is given early, so forty means something later.
3. The ending shows the carpenter believing him, by what he does rather than what he says.

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Task 2: An information page

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Choose something you know well. Write a page about it with a heading and three short paragraphs.

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Task 3: The same scene twice

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The same scene twice



Write four sentences describing a market. Then write them again as if you were in a hurry.

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SAMPLE PAGES

You have read a few pages. The pack is longer.

What you are holding is a short sample, taken from different parts of the pack so that you can see how a week is planned and what a child is actually asked to do, before you decide.

The complete pack, and the rest of the academic materials, are on our website: schemes of work for a parent teaching at home, and practice packs for the skills children get stuck on.

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Our Islamic Education classes are free. These packs are part of what pays the teachers who teach them.