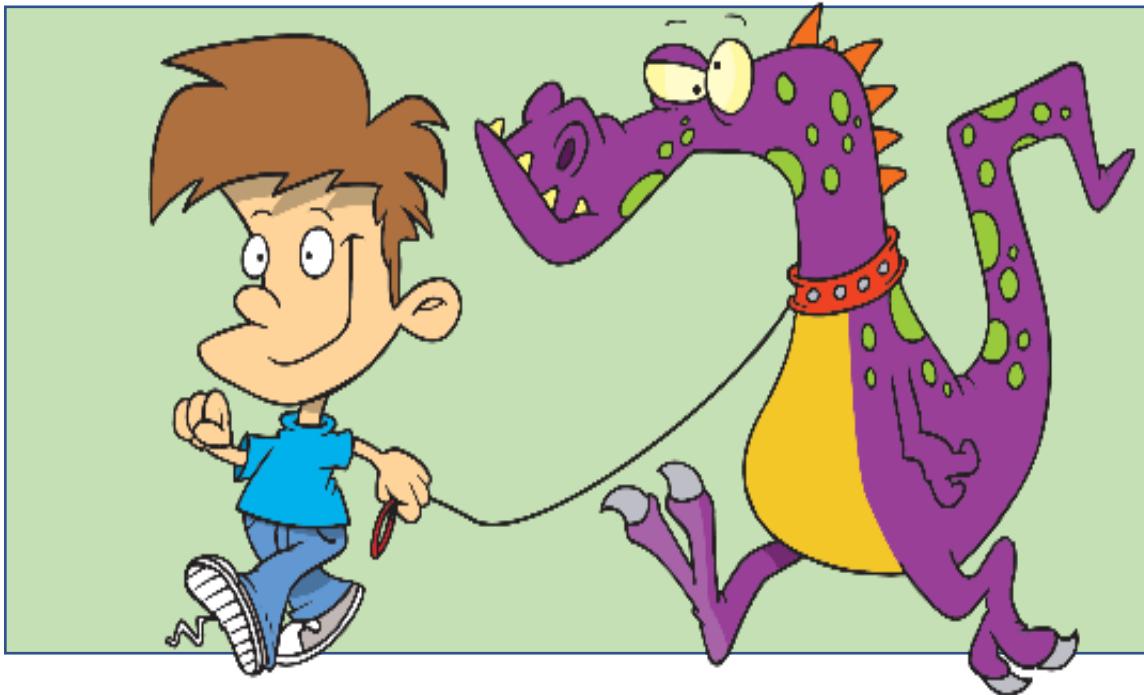


WHEN A DRAGON MOVES IN

SPECIAL WRITING PROJECTS

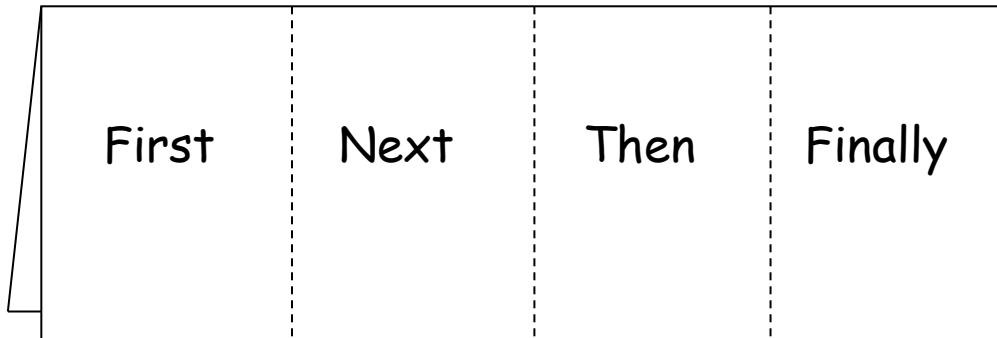


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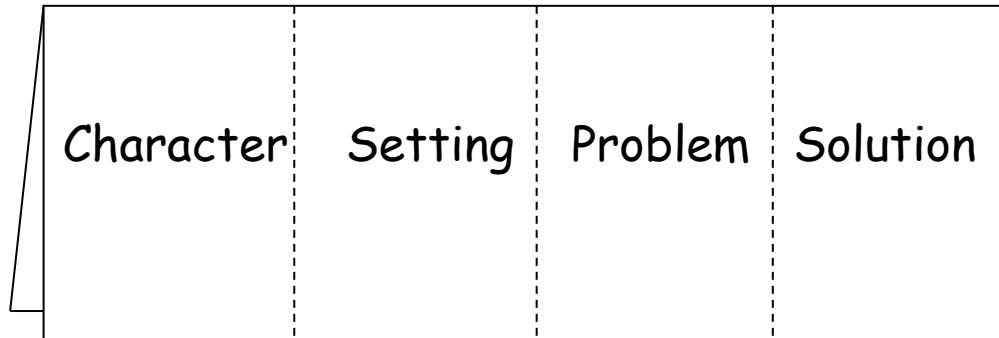
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You'll Flip Over These!

(Flip Books for summarizing and retelling)



First, Next, Then, Finally



Character, Setting, Problem and
Solution

Somebody Wanted But So

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Who? What? When Where? Why?

The Five W's

Characters	Setting	Problems	Solution
A little boy Sister Mom dad dragon	The family went to the beach to play and have a picnic.	The dragon blew smoke and made dragon prints in the sand. He ate the sandwiches, blew bubbles in the lemonade and tasted all the brownies.	Order the dragon to leave until he learns some manners.

Character, Setting, Problems, Solution Sample

Who, What, When, Where, Why and How?

Draw and write ideas for narrative/ story summary.

Who

What

When

Where

Why

How

Flap Book for Report Writing

Why?

- *Use Flap Books to teach organizational skills for report writing.
- *Facilitate paragraph writing with main idea and detail sentences.
- *Limit copying too much information from sources such as encyclopedias and the Internet.
- *Use a low risk method for learning how to do research.
- *Eliminate lost note cards!

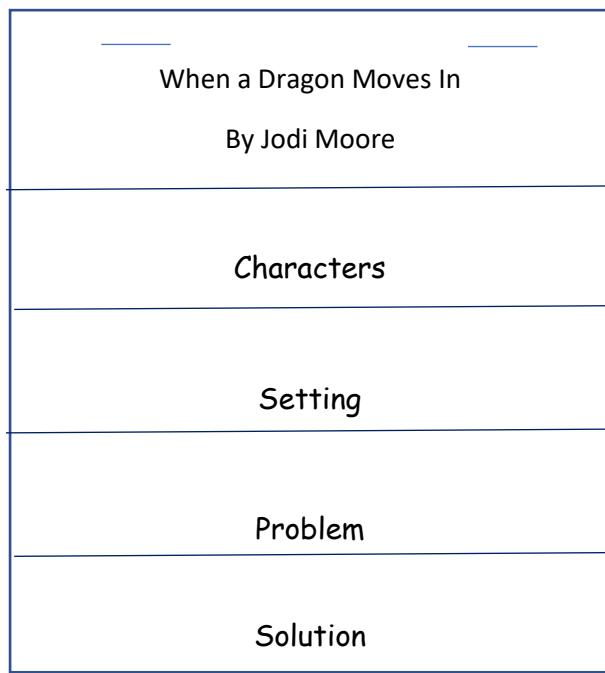
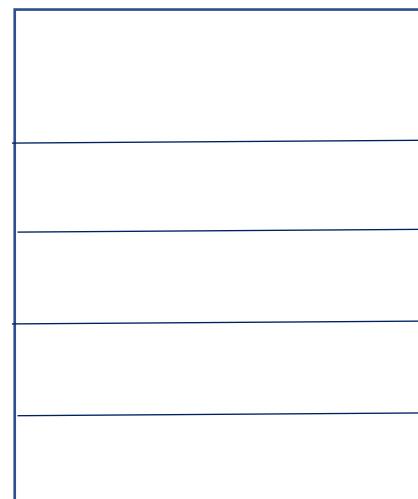
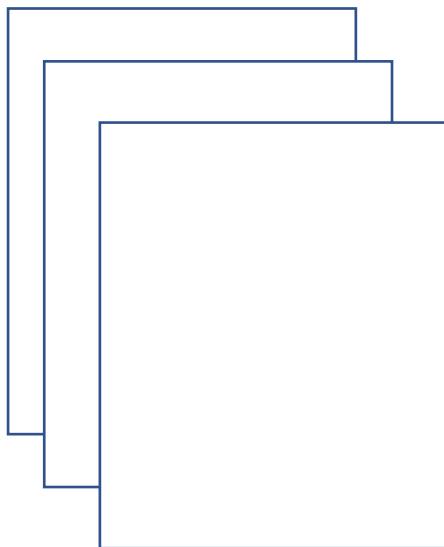
How?

- *Student chooses the selected book. In this case, it is The Rainbow Fish.
- *Provide a pre-folded flap book for the student. Student writes the title on the top flap.
- *Student uses small Post-It Notes to record information/phrases for each flap.
- *Check to make sure that the notes fit each category. It's easy to move one to another flap. No erasing involved!
- *Write a paragraph for each flap. Write a topic sentence. Students can arrange the notes in the order they want them to appear in their paragraph.
- *Add artwork behind the completed flap book.
- *Publish the completed summary on the computer and save it to a Super Summaries document file. Print and share.

See the next page for directions on making the flap book.

Directions:

You will need three pieces of white printer paper. Line them up about an inch apart. Fold one end over to create extra flaps. Staple at the top.



When a Dragon Moves In Flap Book Sample

Students may draw or paint a large character from the story and then put the finished product on it.

When a Dragon Moves In

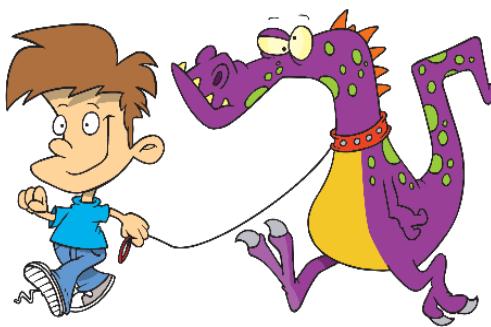
What does the dragon look like?

What are the good qualities of the dragon?

Who are the other characters in the story?

What problem does the dragon have?

What is the solution to the dragon's problem?



Dragon Cinquain

What is a cinquain?

A cinquain is a powerful poem that may be used by you, the poet, to paint a picture of a character from a story. Five lines portray different aspects of character development: appearance, actions, speech, and thought.

Line 1	Title	2 syllables
Line 2	Appearance	4 syllables
Line 3	Actions	6 syllables
Line 4	Speech	8 syllables
Line 5	Thought	2 syllables

Cinquain (cont.)

What does a cinquain look like?

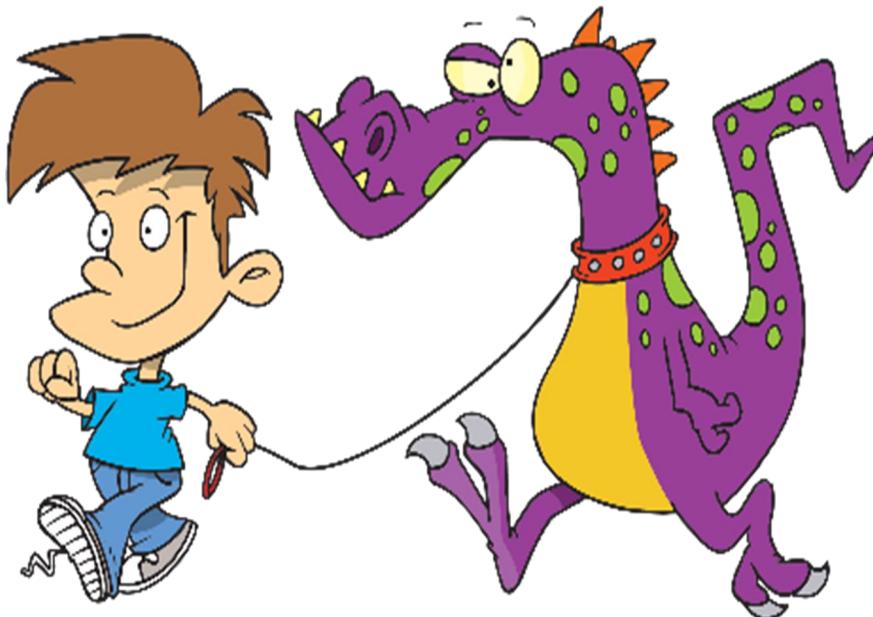
Dragon

Fiery snout

Blows smoke and flies around

"Listen to him roar" "Some sharp teeth"

My pet!



Dragon Acrostic Poem

What is an acrostic poem?

An acrostic poem is fairly simple to write and is sometimes referred to as a name or alphabet poem.

Select a character from your story or novel. Write the letters of the name down the side of your paper so that it reads top to bottom. Each letter should be followed with a word or phrase about your subject that begins with that letter. It does not have to rhyme!

Acrostic Poem Sample

What does an acrostic poem look like?

Demanding

Roaring Raft

Appetite

Great news

Ocean friend

Nice feathers

Dragon Haiku

What is a haiku poem?

Haiku is a type of short form poetry that began in Japan. Japanese haiku contains three phrases on a 5, 7, 5 pattern of syllables with a seasonal focus that paints a mental picture of an event or place in nature, especially weather, seasons, and animals.

Dragon Haiku Sample

What does a haiku look like?

Perfect sandcastle

Dragon prints and feathers too

He's peeping at me

Dragon Limerick

What is a limerick?

A limerick is a five-line poem that is usually funny. Limericks use a AABBA rhyming pattern, which means that the first two lines rhyme with each other and the last line. The third and fourth lines are usually shorter and rhyme with each other.

Dragon Limerick Sample

What does a limerick look like?

There once was a boy in the sand

Who built a sandcastle so grand

That a dragon moved in

Settled in with a grin

And "Feed me!" was his first demand!