## All about Recounts

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## Let's warm up

Remember you must write 3 sentences.



Because But So

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Extend this sentence using because, but and so:

The little boy walked to the shop.....

## All about Recounts

Today we will be learning all about recounts. This will help us with our writing about our trip to the park.

We will learn to recognise the features of a recount and the shapes linked to them.



## What Are Recounts?

Recounts retell events that have happened in the past. You might write a recount about:



a historical event



a famous person



a special celebration



a recipe or experiment

## Personal Recounts – Purpose

Personal recounts retell a special event or experience in an entertaining way. You might write a personal recount about:







snowy day a day at school

What else could you write a personal recount about?

### Personal Recounts – Structure



#### Orientation and Background Information

The 5 Ws: Who? Why? When? Where? What?



Event

#### Series of Events in Time Order with Personal Comments

What was the time sequence (chronological order) of the event?



How did you feel about the event as it was happening?







#### **Concluding Sentence**

Overall, what did you think about the event?



## Personal Recount Example – The Carnival

Last night, my family visited the carnival that came to town as part of our summer festival.

First, I went on the Ferris Wheel. I loved looking at all the people down below as the wheel spun around and around! After that, because my sister was feeling hungry Dad bought us all ice creams. I had chocolate chip and it was delicious! Finally, we went on the bumper cars. My big brother and I rode together and crashed over and over again. It was hilarious!

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# Personal Recount Example – Building a Snowman

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First, we made the body and the head. It took a long time because we needed lots and lots of snow to make a big, strong snowman! Next, we made the snowman's face. I used a bent, old carrot for the nose. It looked quite funny! To finish, we draped Grandpa's scarf around the snowman's neck. I thought our snowman looked very grand indeed!

Building snowmen is definitely the best way to enjoy snowy weather.

## Personal Recount Structure – Building a Snowman

Complete the table below as a class.



Orientation and Background Information (5Ws)



Series of Events in Time Order with Personal Comments





**Concluding Sentence** 

### Let's Review



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Event

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## Personal Recounts – Language Features

- Personal recounts use personal, descriptive language.
- Here are some examples of the language features you might find in a personal recount:
- personal pronouns
- action verbs in past tense
- emotive words
- descriptive words
- time connectives.



## Personal Recounts – Language Features

#### **Personal Pronouns**

These words take the place of people's names.

e.g. I, you, he, she, it, we, they.

## Past Tense Action Verbs

These words describe what people have done.

e.g. ran, played, slept, drove, skipped.

#### **Emotive Words**

These words describe how people feel.

e.g. happy, scared, tired, angry, excited.



**Dramatic Event** 

#### **Descriptive Words**

These words describe objects and actions.

e.g. huge, gentle, sharp, slowly, carefully.

#### **Time Connectives**

These words help to order events.

e.g. firstly, next, then, afterwards, finally.



# Personal Recount Language – Example

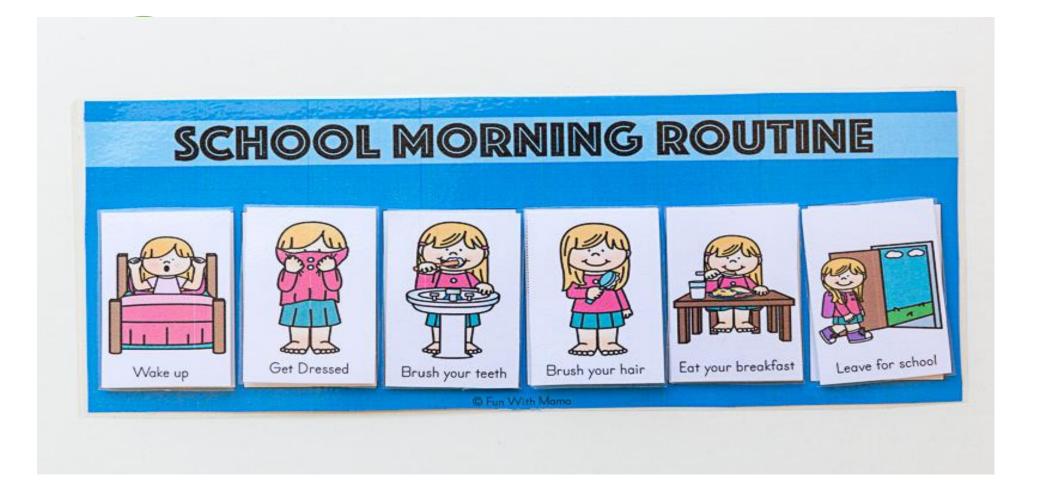


Let's see the **personal pronouns**, **past tense action verbs**, **emotive words**, **descriptive words** and **time connectives** in the recount below.

Last winter, my family and I headed up into the snow- capped mountains for a camping adventure. As soon as we arrived, we built a large camp site. It was fun but exhausting! After that, it was getting cold so we all helped to collect firewood. I found three logs that were the perfect size and shape for our camp fire. Once everything was ready, we roasted some sweet and sticky marshmallows over the roaring fire. We sat around the crackling camp fire for hours because we were all so warm and happy. We loved being together and no one wanted our holiday to end!

## **Your Turn**







Event



Conclusion

## What did you do this morning?



## MY MORNING ROUTINE



### Ideas

Woke up Got in the car

ate breakfast went to school

Got up Finished my homework

put on my uniform

Had a wash put on my coat and shoes

watched TV

Cleaned my teeth grabbed my school bag



## TIME CONNECTIVES



Time connectives to begin with	Time connectives to move time on		Time connectives to end with	Time connectives for surprise
firstly	next	afterwards	at last	suddenly
this morning	secondly	a few minutes later	finally	without warning
it all began	after that	a moment later	in the end	all of a sudden
to begin	then	before long	eventually	in the blink of an eye
first of all	later on	at that point	at the end of the day	within seconds
initially	as time passed	after a while	to end the day	out of nowhere

## My Morning

It all began early this morning when I woke up early from a very deep sleep. Before getting up, I stretched, yawned and thought about all the fun things I would do today. After I jumped out of bed, I opened my curtains then rushed to the bathroom to have wash, clean my teeth and brush my hair. Then I put on my school uniform. As soon as I was ready, I dashe'd down stair's to have my breakfast. Once I had finished eating I sat down to watch a few minutes of my favourite TV programme before I went to school. While I was watching TV, I finished my homework because I didn't want to get into frouble with my teacher. Soon it was time to leave so I put on my school shoes, grabbed my coat and ran to the car. All of a sudden I realised I had forgotten my school bag so I ran back to get it before mum told me off. Eventually we set off for school.

## Morning Routine



Good morning! Time to rise & shine



Make your bed



Open your curtains.



Eat your breakfast



Get dressed



Wash your face



Brush your teeth



Brush & do your hair



Pack your bags



All ready for school or play!