

TeachingLive | Season 9 | Darkwhispers | SESSION 7 |
'Chapter 3' – **Monday 19th June 2023**

Skyship Adventure 3 – **suspense** builds as a threat appears and the crew try to flee.

Anything in **blue** should be read before the session by the teacher – I will also put in **red** any grids or sentences or instructions that should ideally be in the children's books.



Today's Game – 'The EDINGLY game...' In pairs or threes, create sentences that go together making a story up but always using either 'ed', 'ing' or 'ly' starters.

'ing'	'ed'
wishing, remembering, running, leaping, joking, grinning, staring, roaring, snarling, following, ...	disappointed, scared, bewildered, annoyed, worried, fascinated, astonished, stunned, excited, ...
'ly' adverb	slowly, silently, cautiously, carefully, rapidly, angrily, moodily, slyly, sneakily, desperately, immediately, bravely, boldly, bitterly, easily, greedily, willingly, ...

The Objective – to rehearse sentences, varying the opening with fronted adverbials.

Padlet 1 - Padlet – Edingly - The challenge is to write story sentences using 'sentence starters': – 'ed-ing-ly':

Starter	Example	Other examples
ed	<u>Excited</u> , Ty ran into the forest	Disappointed, scared, bewildered, annoyed, worried, fascinated, astonished, ...
ing	<u>Hoping</u> that the sky goblins could not hear, Mariana crept closer.	Wishing, remembering, running, leaping, joking, grinning, staring, roaring, snarling, following, ...
ly	<u>Quietly</u> , Ty stared at the map.	Slowly, luckily, unfortunately, cautiously, angrily, sadly, rapidly, carefully, hopefully, desperately, ...

Padlet 2 – Objective - extending simple sentences.

Maudie crept through the forest.

Maudie crept through into forest **until** she came to a wolf's lair.

Maudie crept through the forest, **hoping** that there would be no goblins

Maudie crept through the forest, **worried** that Arthur was lost.

Maudie crept through the forest, **silently** moving from tree to tree.

Ty jumped down from the skyship.

Mariana picked up the rope.

Ty looked at the map.

Mariana walked into the cave.

Conjunctions	'ing'	'ed'
and, but, so, so that, when, while, where, because, as, as soon as, until, before, after, although...	wishing, remembering, running, leaping, joking, grinning, staring, roaring, snarling, following ...	disappointed, scared, bewildered, annoyed, worried, fascinated, astonished ...
'ly' adverb	slowly, silently, cautiously, carefully, rapidly, angrily, moodily, slyly, sneakily, desperately, immediately, bravely, boldly, bitterly, easily, greedily, willingly...	

Gallery Challenge – shadows – can you create a dark image of a shadow that suggests something ominous? Or – take a photograph of a striking image – a shadow.



These real shadows are actually grey - are all shadows actually black? What would the shadow of a skyship look like? Or a tree in a forest? Or a sky goblin? Or a thought-bear?

Blogging Activity – Write the 3rd chapter. The children should have a copy of Pie's chapter 3.

The quality of the children's writing may well depend on how much time can be devoted to following up the session. You might:

- read, annotate and discuss the model text;
- reread, discuss and read aloud with expression for fluency;
- practise key techniques and sentence patterns;
- brainstorming ideas;
- shared writing;
- time to draft and polish (edit);
- placing the blog onto the TL website;
- reading their writing fluently on the website.

Skyship Adventure 1 – prologue + The Aurora leaves in search of a lost explorer.
Skyship Adventure 2– The Aurora lands on an island – setting description – the crew searches for clues.
Skyship Adventure 3 – suspense builds as a threat appears and the crew try to flee.
Skyship Adventure 4 – the crew manage to escape and head for the next island (or home).

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The Firestone contd

Chapter 2 end...

Sooner rather than later, camp had been set. As the shadows lengthened and the sun dipped behind the forest, Ty and Mariana sat on a log beside a fire in the clearing, wondering whether they would be lucky and find the lost explorer. Sparks drifted upwards like fireflies and the wood smoke made their eyes smart.

It was at that moment, that Ty thought that he saw something. A shadow, a shape, a smokey outline shifting between the trees. Something enormous with bright eyes that reflected the firelight. A twig snapped. A branch broke. A silhouette rustled. Ty took a step back, imagining the worst! He stared into the darkness between the trees and then felt something curious forming in his mind: a wriggly thought, the worm of an idea, the tiny seed of an image that took root, sprouted and began to grow...

Chapter 3

In the morning, Captain Culshaw organised the crew and everyone soon set off to complete a variety of tasks. One party went in search of provisions; another searched for fresh water. Mariana was left to her own devices with strict instructions not to wander.

It wasn't long before Mariana became restless. The tangled wreck of Ermitage's tiny skyship made her feel gloomy. It was only then that she realised that she had not actually seen Ty all morning. In fact, she hadn't seen him since the previous night. A rapid search revealed that he wasn't onboard the Kaskan, neither was he on the shoreline or by the wreckage.

So, she made her way to the forest's edge and peered between the tall fir trees; inside, it was dark and the trees cast long shadows. Pine needles littered the forest floor. Sunlight filtered through the branches, bees buzzed and she sniffed the rich scent of pine resin. It seemed almost inviting but what was that shifting between the trees?

Slowly and deliberately, a large shape moved towards her. Instantly, she saw a flash of blue eyes. It was then as if her mind was snared in a web. Calmly, a voice spoke inside her head, saying, "Come to me - it is safe." It was a deep, gruff voice, on the edge of growling, but laced with a soft kindness too. Walking forwards from the shadows, out stepped an enormous

bear. Gasping, Mariana froze but its stare transfixed her. Escape was impossible.

Thought-bears are rare. They have the ability to not only speak in the minds of other creatures but also make animals bend to their will. It is fortunate that such a creature is well-disposed towards humans! Marianna was amazed to find herself reunited with Ty inside a massive network of caves where the thought-bears lived. They had been caring for Ermitage after his skyship had crashed. The chief was an enormous bear of great age and he cast into their minds a warning, "Sky goblins are close!". Pressing a small, ruby-coloured stone into Ty's hand, the Bear King hissed, "You'll need this!"

With the thought-bears' help, the children took Ermitage back to the Kaskan. Captain Culshaw and the crew had returned and Marianna spluttered out the warning. Instantly, everyone leapt into action... manning the rigging, firing the engines, storing water and provisions, battening down the hatches and preparing the skyship to leave.

But it was too late.

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