

Weekly Sponge Activity

Story Time!

Have your class tell a story -- as quickly as they can. Ask for a setting; students shout out answers and you choose one and write it on the board. Now ask for a protagonist: name, height, description. Write that on the board, and next have them call out possible antagonists. Point out you now have a setting and characters. Do you have a story? The answer should be "No". Ask what's missing: the action. What should their characters do? Ask for a plot, a crisis, and finally, a resolution, then go through all the elements of this quick story by stringing them together orally.