

# Story Completion

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## Introduction

Story writing is a creative writing exercise. Students are given few lines of the beginning of the story and are required to complete the rest of the story using their own imagination.

### Points to remember:

1. A story does not follow any format and is written in paragraphs.
2. It is usually written in passive voice.
3. The ideas should be systematically presented.
4. Although, marks are not deducted for exceeding the word limit, a story should be written within 120-150 words.
5. Marks may be deducted for grammatical errors and mistakes in the spellings and punctuation marks.
6. Marks are awarded on the content, expression and creativity of the write-up. Therefore, special care should be taken to maintain the coherence, accuracy and fluency of the content.

## Banku Gets Lost

### Q. Complete the following story:

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**Answer:**

Banku was really excited to go on a school picnic to the Garden of Five Senses with his teachers and friends. The widespread area of the garden was beautifully landscaped. Banku and his friends decided to play 'hide and seek' as there was ample space. The children hid wherever they could. Banku climbed and sat comfortably on an elm tree and soon fell asleep.

When he woke from his nap he realised that nobody had come to look for him. He descended the tree and was shocked to know that his friends and teachers had left in the school bus. Suddenly, it grew pitch dark and the weather became stormy.

Fear gripped him; yet, he showed confidence and waited for them to return and rescue him. In a short while, he heard the horn of his school bus. His teachers and friends were peeping through the window and were calling his name. Banku was relieved and taken back safely in his school bus.

## **The Poor Farmer**

**Q. Rohan has to write a story on the Indian farmers for his school magazine. Complete the given story on his behalf.**

**There was a poor farmer in a village. One year, heavy rainfall ruined his crops. He felt distressed as he could not sell his crops to the traders and earn his livelihood. He requested a money lender to lend him some money.....**

**Answer:**

There was a poor farmer in a village. One year, heavy rainfall ruined his crops. He felt distressed as he could not sell his crops to the traders and earn his livelihood. He requested a money lender to lend him some money. The money lender said that he would offer him a loan only if the farmer's land was kept as a mortgage.

The farmer had to unwillingly surrender to this condition. Gradually, with his hard work and planned plantation of the crop, he was able to grow a good crop for the next season. The farmer thanked God and the money lender for helping him.

The lender was impressed by his hard work and soon returned his land. He also gave the farmer his own piece of land to cultivate. Soon, the income of the farmer enhanced and he lived happily.

## **Bug and His Master**

**Q. Complete the story about Bug, a young puppy who gets separated from his master and reunites with him later.**

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It was a pleasant morning. I woke up my master early by cuddling him with my cold nose. He understood that I wanted to go for a walk with him and took me to the garden. It was very exciting to play with him in the lush green grass. We played my favourite game, Fetch. That day, my master threw the stick a little farther than usual.

I ran fast to get it back as fast as I could, not realising that I had come too far from my master. As a result, I forgot the way back and sadness overshadowed my gay mood. I tried hard to find the way to my master but couldn't.

Soon I felt tired and decided to sit somewhere. As I leaned my head on the ground, I heard the whistle of my master. Filled with joy, I followed the sound till I reached him. We both were overjoyed. I jumped over him and licked him to show my affection.

## **Raghu's Nightmare**

**Q. Complete the given story.**

**There was a lazy boy named Raghu. He did not like to go to school. Every night, he thought of a new excuse for not attending school the next day. One night, he dreamt that he has bunked school again and .....**

**Answer:**

There was a lazy boy named Raghu. He did not like to go to school. Every night, he thought of a new excuse for not attending school the next day. One night, he dreamt that he bunked school again and was alone at home. He was happy when, suddenly, he discovered a snake on his quilt. Scared of the nightmare, he fell off the bed in his sleep and hurt himself.

Next day, despite being hurt, Raghu went to attend his school. From then onwards, he attended his school regularly. His parents and teachers were happy and surprised at his improved attendance and performance in school.

## The Sleep Man

**Q. Complete the given story:**

**Sleep Man was the main angel of the Kingdom of Dreams. He had been assigned the task to distribute sleep to everyone each night. He visited every house sprinkling the sleep-sand over every one's eyes; yet, he could not sleep himself. He felt very lonely and.....**

**Answer:**

Sleep Man was the main angel of the Kingdom of Dreams. He had been assigned the task to distribute sleep to everyone each night. He visited every house sprinkling the sleep-sand over every one's eyes; yet, he could not sleep himself. He felt very lonely and tired. One night, he planned to steal the sleep of an old woman. He went to her house and uttered a magic spell in her ear. Consequently, the woman's sleep was transferred to the Sleep Man.

Now, the woman kept awake all night whereas the Sleep Man slept peacefully in his bed. The caring grandson of the old woman could not understand her sleep deprivation and was worried. So, he travelled to the Kingdom Of Dreams and found the Sleep Man comfortably sleeping. He understood the whole plan and complained about this to God. At last, the Sleep Man had to return the old woman's sleep.

## The Flute Seller

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Hurt at being disgraced, he decides to work hard and earn a lot of money for his family. Within a year, he was able to earn a lot of money and became the owner of a flute factory. Every week, he donated some of his money to the needy sitting outside a temple.

One day, the flute seller was astonished to notice the man who had disgraced him at the traffic signal sitting among the poor. The man felt embarrassed at his condition and apologized for his misbehaviour. The flute seller thanked the man for it was the encounter with him that instilled in him the determination to work hard.

## **Princess Shahzana and the Dragon Slayer**

**Q. Complete the following story.**

**Once there was a beautiful princess named Shahzana. She wanted to marry a brave man. Her province had long been under the dread of a dragon that had interrupted the flow of their main river. One afternoon, it was announced that the one to kill the dragon and divert back the river towards their domain, would marry princess Shahzana.....**

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Though everybody was thrilled with the announcement, no one had the courage to face the dreadful dragon. Ali, the shepherd's son, dared to fight the dragon. He went to the cave and challenged the dragon to eat him.

When the dragon took him in his mouth, Ali walked to his stomach and cut it open with his pen knife. The dragon was killed and the river diverted back to their province. Every one applauded Ali's bravery and the princess chose him as her prince.

## **The Hungry Cats**

**Q. Complete the following story.**

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Also, since Miley would never come to know about it, Cherry could eat it all by herself. Hunger compelled Cherry to agree with the rat and she let set him free. The shrewd mouse ran away and did not return. Both the cats were left hungry and fighting, while the mouse escaped to safety.

## **The Young Bat and His Wise Friend**

**Q. Complete the following story.**

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**Answer:**

Once there was a young bat Dacy. She was very upset with her life as she had no one to play with her. Her mother allowed her to go out only at night but by then all other animals would go to sleep. One night, she decided to seek the assistance of the wise owl. The owl advised her to develop a reading habit to pass her time. He told her that books were a creature's best friends.

He gave her many story books. She gradually started enjoying reading books. Soon, she became good friends with the wise owl. They would sit together each night to read and exchange their knowledge. In the companionship of the books and the owl, Dacy lived a happy and intellectual life.

## When the School Bus Broke Down (picture)

Q. Write a story by looking at the given image.



**Answer:**

One morning on the way to school, our school bus halted with a loud thud. We were told that the rear tyre of bus had punctured. As it was raining heavily, our teachers started worrying. However, all the children were excited, as it seemed a pleasant change. We all came out of the bus to enjoy the weather. Some of us had raincoats while others had umbrellas. Some of the junior school students even made paper boats.

These boats were set afloat in puddles of water. Soon the tyre was changed and we boarded the bus. As a lot of time had already been wasted, the driver sped to our school. However, a more pleasant surprise was awaiting us at the school. Due to the heavy rainfall, a holiday had been declared. The overjoyed students re-boarded the bus to reach back home safely.

## Niti's Birthday Celebration

Q. Complete the given story.

**This year Niti celebrated her birthday in a different style. Down with a high fever, she had been advised a two-week.....**

**Answer:**

This year Niti celebrated her birthday in a different style. Down with a high fever, she had been advised a two-week rest by her physician. All her friends and relatives had come to wish her. Yet, she did not feel satisfied. She had been planning to throw a lavish birthday party for the past three months.

But her illness spoiled her plans. However, she was in for a pleasant surprise when her best friend, who had shifted base to Pune, arrived unexpectedly. She came with her parents and brought many gifts for Niti. Both the friends chatted longingly and had a lot of fun. Niti's mother prepared many delicious dishes for the occasion. Niti felt blessed to have a loving family and a wonderful friend.