

# 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.

## Mysterious Phone Call

**Q. Write a short story based on a mysterious phone call from the hints provided to you.**

**Mr. and Mrs. Gupta were grief stricken by Rajesh's death, who had been their servant for over 14 years. It was an accident which left painful memories etched on the minds of the Guptas. As time passed, they started regaining momentum of their busy lives. However, soon they started getting blank calls at night.....**

### Answer:

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However, one night Mrs. Gupta noticed that the door was unlocked. Before long the couple realised that the phone rang only when they had left the door unlocked. And eventually, it dawned on them that this might be a way in which Rajesh wanted to inform them about their carelessness, taking care of their safety even after he had died.

### **Sachin Meets a Zombie**

**Q. One morning, Sachin goes for a morning walk, on his way, he meets a zombie who was returning to his graveyard. Sachin finds the encounter strange and interesting. He decides to write a story about his experience for the school magazine. Complete the story on his behalf.**

**One morning as I went for a morning walk, I noticed some bushes shaking. Since, it was not a windy morning, it seemed unnatural. Out of curiosity I walked towards the bush and to my utter amazement.....**

**Answer:**

One morning as I went for a morning walk, I noticed some bushes shaking. Since it was not a windy morning, it seemed unnatural. Out of curiosity I walked towards the bush and to my utter amazement, saw a zombie! It hurried towards the nearby graveyard and I followed him. He seemed a little uncomfortable but he did not dissuade me from following him.

After reaching the graveyard, he asked me to sit with him. He told me fascinating things about their nature and lifestyle. He also told me how upset he was with the wrong depiction of zombies in the movies. I felt embarrassed at our puny perspective about such sweet and friendly beings.

Although I wanted to know more about them, he suddenly stood up and left in a jiffy. Suddenly, I was all alone in the graveyard. Till this day I have been trying to assess the feasibility of the encounter.

### **Shopkeeper and the Thief(picture)**

**Q. Look at the given image and write a story about it.**



### **Answer:**

It was a pleasant day and I was busy dealing with the customers in my jewellery shop. While talking to a customer, I observed that on the fifth counter, there was a man sitting silently. I had a notion that he was waiting for someone to join him for shopping. Gradually, however, I grew suspicious of him. Suddenly, I noticed that he was trying to take out a precious necklace from the jewellery box kept near a counter. Thinking that it might create havoc in the shop, which was packed with customers, I planned to take a subtle course of action. I directed one of my staff boys to get hold of him and take him out of the shop without arguing with him. Meanwhile, I informed the police and the situation was further handled by them.

### **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.

## **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.

## **When I Turned Into a Spider**

**Q. Complete the given story.**

**Once there was a man who hated insects. One morning, he woke up to find himself turned into a spider.**\_\_\_\_\_

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**The foul smell of the shoes chokes him. He struggles hard and ultimately comes out of it. Gradually, he feels hungry and makes his way to the kitchen.**\_\_\_\_\_

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**Answer:**

Once there was a man who hated insects. One morning, he woke up to find himself turned into a spider. He decided to explore the world on his eight legs. He jumped from his bed but, unfortunately, fell into his shoes. The foul smell of the shoes choked him. He struggled hard and ultimately came out of it. Soon, he felt hungry and made his way to the kitchen.

His wife was busy making breakfast for him. He saw her serve an omelette on a plate. He walked fast to take a bite by climbing the kitchen slab. The moment he reached the plate, his wife slammed a pan, missing him only nearly. He managed to sneak away; otherwise, he would have been crushed to death by her. Suddenly, he woke up to the buzzing of the alarm clock and felt relieved that it was just a dream.

## **A Young Orphan Named Chotu**

**Q. Complete the following story.**

**Once there was a young boy named Chotu. He was different from the other boys of his age. This is because he had to attend his school in the morning and assist his uncle in his tea stall after.....**

**Answer:**

Once there was a young boy named Chotu. He was different from the other boys of his age. This is because he had to attend his school in the morning and assist his uncle in his tea stall after school. Chotu was one of the intelligent students of his class but, unfortunately, he was an orphan. His life was devoid of the basic childhood pleasures such as playing with boys of his age. Although he had become used to such subjugated life, he did stop dreaming. He wanted to get a scholarship to become an engineer. He studied at night to score good marks. His determination and hard work impressed one of his teachers, who adopted him. His life changed for the better and he eventually became a successful engineer.

## **A shopkeeper and his roadside dhaba (picture)**

**Q. Look at the given picture and write a story on it.**



**Answer:**

Once upon a time, there was a roadside shop owned by a poor man. He sold junk food and sweets to the customers who stopped to take a break during their journeys. The place was infested with flies and rodents. The shopkeeper used to drive them away with a newspaper and kept dreaming of owning a car. Every day he came to the shop filled with the hope that he will be able to earn extra that day. However, his hope shattered each day, as people bought minimal things from his dirty shop. One day, a rich lady met with an accident near his shop. The shopkeeper tended her wounds and drove her back home. He was soon offered the job of a driver by the lady's family. Although the car he was about to drive was not his, the man felt escalated to get his hands on a luxurious car.

## **The Misunderstanding**

**Q. Complete the given story.**

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**Answer:**

It was an unusual instance. Professor Rajan was late for his lecture. He hurried to his room and saw an office boy dusting the table by putting all the articles of his table to one side. The professor mistook him for a thief who had come to steal the office property. He entered the room silently and caught hold of the office boy. The office boy tried his best to reveal his identity. But, the professor was not ready to reason out. He did not let him loose for he thought the boy might run away. At last, the office boy had to yell for help. Many people gathered to help the poor man and assured the professor of his identity. Discovering the truth, the professor felt embarrassed and apologized for misunderstanding him.