

Focus Writing

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| Diary | A book (written in the first person) where a person keeps a record of feelings, events and experiences. |
| Bravery Award Speech | Written and spoken by the person accepting an award. It informs the public of important/outstanding accomplishments |



Vocabulary

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| satchel | a bag with long straps, used for carrying books | boorish | rough, uneducated, rude, loutish, gross |
| mayor | the person elected to run a town or city | disbelieving | not believing something to be true |
| frantically | to do something in a frightened or worried way | injustice | a lack of fairness in a situation; discrimination, bias, prejudice |
| shrouded | covered | smirked | smiling in an unpleasant way |
| paraded | display (someone/something) while marching or moving around a place | frenzy | wild behaviour caused by losing control of you feelings |
| triumph(ed) | great success or achievement | puffed-up | (of a person) big-headed |
| lumbering | awkward in movement | borough | district, area, community |
| retreated | move away from something or someone | haughtily | showing arrogance |
| tribute | showing admiration for someone | sublime | wonderful, magnificent, glorious |
| pretext | a reason which you pretend has caused you to do something | valiantly | bravely, heroically, courageously, boldly |
| adversity | a very difficult situation; hardship, trouble, distress | guile | being good at deceiving people; cunning, craft, deceptive, deceitful |

Grammar, Punctuation and Language Features

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| determiner | a word that goes before a noun and identifies the noun in detail | a <u>t</u> ree; an <u>a</u> pple; <u>t</u> he forest (a = consonant; an = vowel) |
| noun | a person, place or thing | Rose, camp, satchel |
| adjective | describes a noun | brown satchel; lonely girl |
| expanded noun phrase (no verb!) | determiner + adjective(s) + noun + preposition(al phrase) | the lonely girl in the window; an old satchel on her shoulder |
| prepositional phrase | a group of words containing a preposition and noun it refers to | <u>across</u> the deserted landscape beneath the canopy of trees |
| emotive language | words chosen specifically to evoke emotions or feelings in the reader | disbelieving eyes; haunting image; something startled me |
| parenthesis () , , - - | a word or phrase inserted as an explanation, punctuated with brackets, commas or dashes | Our own mayor, the supposed head of beloved borough - has changed. |
| adverbial (time, cause, manner) | a word or group of words containing information about how, when or where the verb happened | Today, After school, As I neared school, |
| semi-colon (;) | used between two main clauses of equal importance | I shivered; it was cold here. He woke up; his dog barked. |
| colon (:) | used to separate two independent clauses (second clause explains the first) or to introduce a list | All the townsfolk agreed: the forest was a dangerous place to visit. |
| subordinate clause | part of a sentence that does not make sense on its own - dependent on the main clause and begins with a subordinating conjunction | Rose Blanche lives in small town <u>as she was born there</u> . |
| relative clause | a type of subordinate clause introduced by a relative pronoun (<u>who</u> , <u>whose</u> , <u>which</u> , <u>that</u>) | Rose Blanche, <u>who had confusion in her eyes</u> , did not understand the situation. |
| formal language | an official, serious language style where correct grammar must always be used (Standard English) | It is my opinion that... We celebrate this remarkable individual... |