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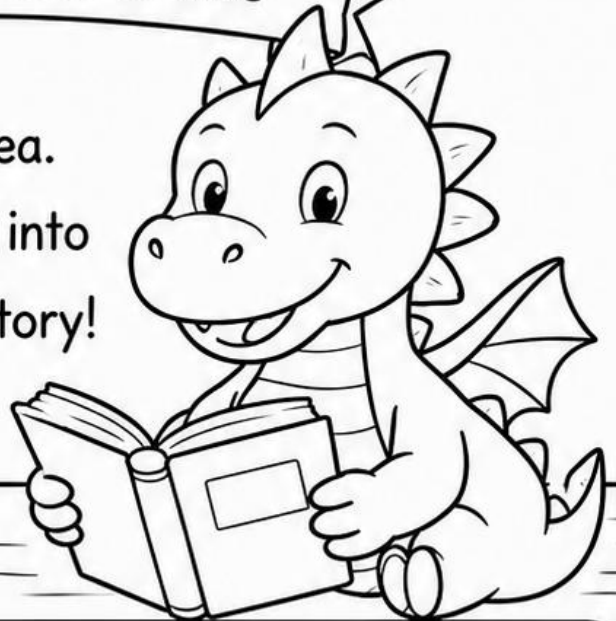
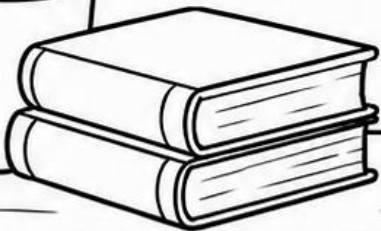
YOUNG WRITERS



CREATE YOUR OWN BOOK!

A Geni wik Creation Kit

You have an idea.
Now let's turn it into
a real, finished story!



Author: _____

Working Book Title: _____



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MY BOOK IDEA



What kind of story will you write?

☐ Adventure☐ Spooky☐ Animals☐ Mystery☐ Sports☐ Something Else! _____☐ Funny☐ Friendship☐ Fantasy☐ Science Fiction

My story is about:



The Big Idea

Try finishing this sentence:

This is a story about someone who...



What will make your story interesting?



Something goes wrong?



Someone wants something?



There's a mystery to solve?



A big adventure begins?



My idea: _____

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MEET MY MAIN CHARACTER



Name: _____

Age (if they have one): _____

What are they?

☐ Person

☐ Animal

☐ Creature

☐ Robot

☐ Alien

☐ Something Else! _____

What are they like?

Choose some words or add your own:

Funny Brave Shy Curious Wild

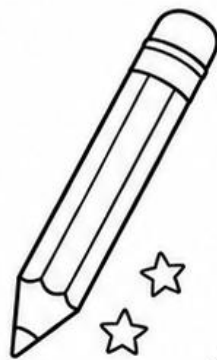
Kind Grumpy Clever Adventurous Sneaky

My character is: _____

What does your character
REALLY want?

Is there something they're
afraid of or not
very good at?

Draw your character!



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MY STORY'S WORLD



Where does your story happen?

A school? A forest? Another planet?

Your neighborhood? A castle?

Somewhere completely imaginary?



When does it happen?

☐ Today

☐ Long Ago

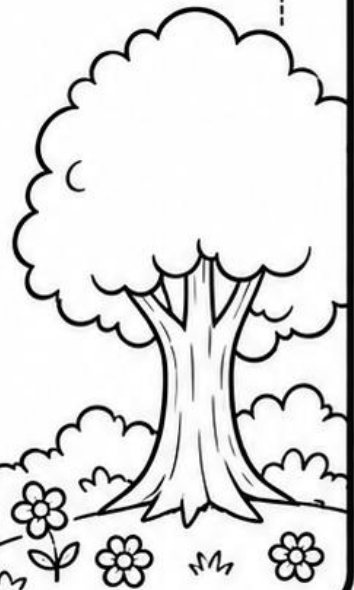
☐ The Future

☐ I Don't Know Yet!

What's special about this place?



--- Draw the world of your story! ---



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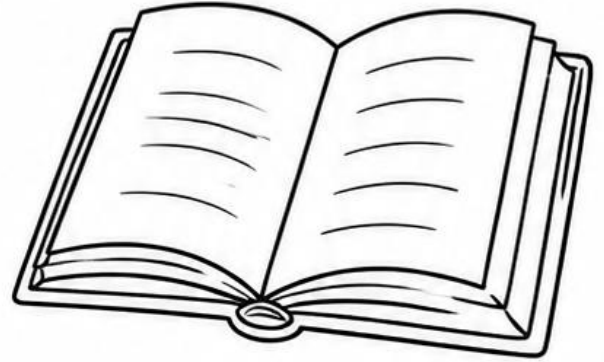
BEGINNING



How does your story start?

Think about:

- Who is there?
- Where are they?
- What is happening before the adventure or problem begins?





Then something happens!



What starts your story?



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MIDDLE



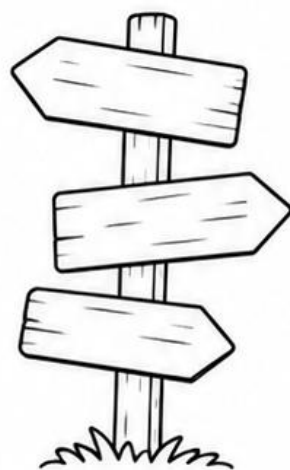
Now things get interesting!

★ What problem, adventure, or challenge does your character face?

★ What does your character try first?

★ Does it work?

★ What happens NEXT?



⚡ Make it interesting! ⚡



Something can go wrong.



A new problem can appear.



Your character can discover something.



Someone can help.



Someone can make everything worse!

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ENDING



Your story needs an ending –
don't leave your readers hanging!

- ★ How does your character solve the problem
or finish the adventure?



- ★ What happens afterward?

- ★ Has your character changed or learned anything?



- ★ My final scene will be...



THE END!

...unless you're planning a sequel. 😊

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PLAN MY BOOK



Plan your story below! Use as many pages as you need.

Your pages can have words, pictures, or both!

The front and back covers don't count as story pages.

1

What happens?

2

What happens?

3

What happens?

4

What happens?

5

What happens?

6

What happens?

7

What happens?

8

What happens?

Need more pages? GREAT! Keep going on another sheet.



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CHARACTER CREATOR

Who stars in your story?

Draw and describe your main characters!

Name: _____

Age (if you know): _____

Looks like: _____

Personality: _____

Special talent or thing
they like: _____

Name: _____

Age (if you know): _____

Looks like: _____

Personality: _____

Special talent or thing
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Other Characters (friends, family, animals, sidekicks, etc.)



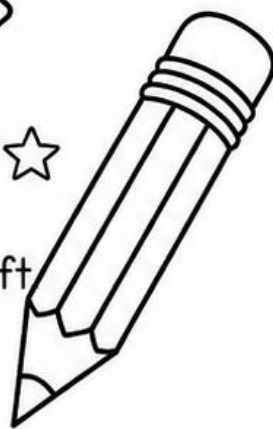
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FIRST DRAFT →



BETTER DRAFT



Professional authors don't publish their first draft.
They go back and make it better!

Read your whole story again.

Then check:

- ☐ Does my story have a beginning?
- ☐ Does something interesting happen?
- ☐ Does my story have a middle?
- ☐ Does my story have a real ending?
- ☐ Do my characters make sense?
- ☐ Are there places where I should add more details?
- ☐ Are there boring parts I could liven up?
- ☐ Did I check my spelling and punctuation?
- ☐ Can another person understand my story?

One thing I changed to make
my story better:



One part I'm especially
proud of:



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CREATE YOUR COVER!

Design a cover for your amazing story!

A large, empty rectangular area with a wavy border, intended for the student to draw their book cover design.

My Story Title:

By: _____



AM I READY?

My Finished Book Checklist



- ☐ My story is original.
- ☐ My story has a title.
- ☐ My story has a cover.
- ☐ My story tells the whole story I wanted to tell.
- ☐ My story uses words, pictures, or both.
- ☐ My story has a beginning, middle, and ending.
- ☐ My story is appropriate for kids and families.
- ☐ I have read and revised my story at least once.
- ☐ I have checked my story for spelling and punctuation.
- ☐ I am proud of my story.
- ☐ I have read my story to a parent or grown-up.

≧ **THE MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION:** ≦

DID YOU FINISH YOUR BOOK?

≧ ☐ **YES!** ≦

Then that's a pretty big deal.
Lots of people have ideas for books.
You actually made one. ☆

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I FINISHED A BOOK!

Certificate of Achievement

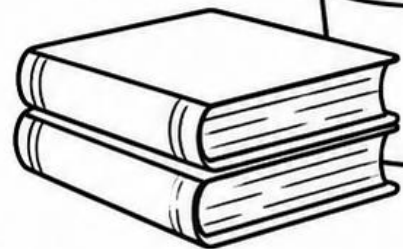


This certificate proudly recognizes

for writing, revising, and completing

and becoming a

YOUNG AUTHOR!



Author Signature

Parent or Guardian

Date
