

Good Morning Year 6!

Today we're going to do some writing! I'm so excited to see what you're able to write. Today is for **practise**. That means that you can write your opening sentence or first few sentences on the blog and then I can give feedback.

Then you can finish your writing in your Home Learning Books, making sure you proof read and edit as you go!

Task (to complete by Friday afternoon):

Write a diary entry (at least 2 paragraphs) about escaping with the jewels as if you are Chaya.

- Describe your conversation with the guard
- Describe what you had in your pouch and how you felt about it

Plan your writing in your Home Learning Book.

Don't forget to share the start of your writing for me to mark. **But don't type it all up today** – we want to share everyone's finished pieces tomorrow.

When you are editing, here are some questions you might want to think about:

- Is every sentence correctly punctuated?
- Have I checked my spellings?
- Are my language choices informal?
- Have I written in chronological order?
- Are my verbs in the past tense?
- Have I included vivid descriptions?
- Have I included thoughts and feelings?

Colloquial Language
You should try to use chatty/informal language.

Follow a "Diary Style"
Start each entry with a date and "Dear Diary".

First person
Remember to use personal pronouns (in particular: I/We)

Chronological order
Your diary should be in time order, using adverbials.

Self-reflection
Try to include your thoughts, feelings, opinions and hopes (inside speech marks).

Past Tense
A diary is about what has already happened.

Detailed descriptions
Remember to use more than one sense, to make your description more imaginable. Similes and metaphors can also be effective.

HOW TO WRITE A: DIARY

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