



Purpose: To entertain the reader with a story that recounts an adventure

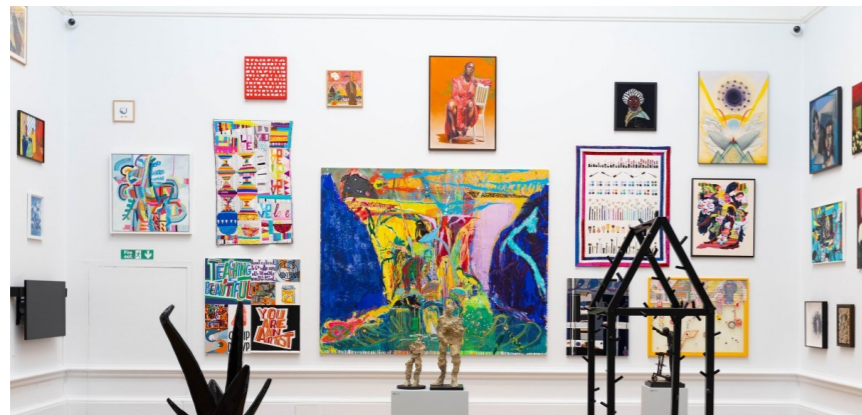
Stanley at the Art Gallery

One dreary Saturday afternoon when the weather was too miserable to go to the park, Mr Lambchop announced that he would be taking Stanley to an art gallery. Stanley had never been to an art gallery before and got ready excitedly as he imagined what all the paintings would look like. As it was on the opposite side of town, they got the bus and Stanley enjoyed looking out of the window and pointing at all of the interesting things he saw.

When they arrived at the gallery, Stanley was amazed. It was a huge, stone building with a wide, marble staircase and an impressive revolving door. Once they were inside, they started making their way to different galleries. In the first gallery, there were lots of animal paintings. There were paintings of lions, tigers, flamingos and even turtles. Stanley's favourite piece of art was the tiny watercolour painting of an angel fish because the colours shone on the paper like jewels.

In the second gallery, there were lots of landscape paintings. Mr Lambchop pointed at a painting of a desert landscape and said that it reminded him of when he had once visited Egypt. Stanley got bored in this gallery so he stood leaning on the wall waiting for his father to finish looking. A lady stood in front of him, stared and then took a photo muttering to herself that it was the most realistic painting she had ever seen. Stanley giggled to himself as he realised that she thought he was a painting. Funny things were always happening to him now that he was flat.

After a couple of hours wandering around, Mr Lambchop took him to the café for refreshments. Stanley couldn't hide his eagerness when he spotted the huge slabs of cake and he was ecstatic when Mr Lambchop let him choose one. He opted for the chocolate fudge cake and it was delicious. Once they had both finished and Stanley had eaten every last crumb, they left the gallery and took the bus home. What a wonderful day they'd had!



Key features



Structural:

- P1: Stanley and his father set off for somewhere exciting
- P2: they arrive and explore
- P3: something happens to Stanley linked with him being flat
- P4: They eat and go home. Stanley reflects on his day.

Language:

- Expanded noun phrases: *huge, stone building*
- Include lots of detail: Stanley's favourite was a tiny watercolour painting of an angel fish.
- Include different sentence openers: When they arrived, After a few hours
- End with an exclamation sentence



Writer's toolbox

Apostrophes

Apostrophes for possession: Stanley's favourite
 Apostrophes for contraction: they'd (they + had)

Suffixes

Adding -ness makes an adjective a noun: eagerness, kindness, sweetness
 Adding -ment makes a verb a noun: enjoyment, amusement, amazement

Punctuation:

Remember to use capital letters and full stops accurately
 Remember to use commas in a list

Vocabulary

Dreary	Muttering
Realistic	Wandering
Refreshments	Eagerness
Ecstatic	Opted

Recommended reads

