

Writing science fiction

Plan and write a short story. The writing frame on the next page will help you to plan your ideas.

Use the following plot for your story.

It's the year 2120. Robots have become so advanced that they are part of our everyday lives.

Radekka is a robot who belongs to the Dhawen family. They live on the edge of a forest, near a lake.

She looks after Sunil, the twelve-year-old only son of the Dhawens, when Sunil's parents are not around.

Sunil doesn't like robots and ______ (the complication).

Sunil learns to trust the robot because _____ (the resolution).

Here are some suggestions for writing this story:

- Before beginning to write, decide on the verb tense you will use and who is going to narrate the story.
- The beginning could explain why Sunil doesn't like robots.
- The complication could possibly be caused by Sunil disobeying the robot.
- The subsequent action is up to you!
- The ending sees Sunil learning to trust the robot.

In your group, use the same characters, setting and basis for the story, but create your own plot twist, solution and ending.

Try to include specialist vocabulary of possible new technology from 2120 to turn your story into science fiction.



Having a group discussion

Before you start planning and writing, discuss the statement in the speech bubble.

Discuss this in a group and decide on what the important features are.

Hint: Think about how you, as a reader, like to be kept interested when reading a book.



All successful stories have some common and important features.

