


NARRATIVE WRITING

 Narrative writing tells a story that can be real or imagined. A story has characters, a setting, and a plot. Many stories have dialogue, or conversations between characters.

Characters:

Brian, Mr. Delgado, Brian's Mom

Settings:

Brian's apartment building

The Amazing Treehouse

Brian sat on the front steps of his apartment building, feeling a little sad. "I wish I had a treehouse," he said aloud. "But, I guess you can't have a treehouse if you don't have a yard."

"What's that?" a voice said. Mr. Delgado, who owned the building, was walking up the steps. "A treehouse? I had one of those when I was a little boy! My father and I built it together," Mr. Delgado announced. "And you don't need a yard! What's wrong with this tree right here?"

Brian looked at the big oak tree next to the front steps. He felt a little silly. "Oh! Well, I thought..."

"You thought I wouldn't let you have a treehouse?" Mr. Delgado asked. "I think it's a great idea. Now, let's make a plan!"


For the next two months, Brian and Mr. Delgado were very busy. They made a list of the supplies they needed such as wood, nails, and paint. Brian and the other kids in the building saved enough money to help pay for supplies. Mr. Delgado gave them lessons on how to build different parts of the treehouse safely. Brian's parents helped out on the weekends. Finally, the project was finished!

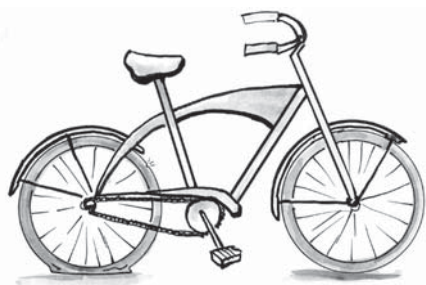
As Brian looked up at the bright yellow treehouse, he had a huge smile on his face. "I can't believe we did it!" he shouted. His mom hugged him, and Mr. Delgado gave him a high five. The amazing treehouse was a success.

Narrative Writing Checklist


- I wrote a strong start to my story.
 - I introduced my characters and setting.
- I developed the story in an organized way.
 - I described what happened in a logical order.
 - My characters came to life with their words and actions.
 - I used words and phrases to connect events.
- I wrote a conclusion.
 - The end of my story provides a sense of closure.

SHOWING SEQUENCE

 Sequence is the order of events in a story. Writers show the order of events by using transition words. Write a short story matching the illustrations below. Use transition words to show the order of events.



NATURAL DISASTERS

 Read the information about some natural disasters below. Write about the natural disasters and include an introduction, facts, and a conclusion.



earthquake

- deadliest natural disaster
- happens when Earth shifts and moves



tornado

- also called cyclones or twisters
- formed by rotating, spinning air during a storm



volcano

- mountain connected to molten rock below Earth's surface
- erupts and explodes with hot lava
