

# Writing Recounts



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When writing a recount we try to include:

- Time connectives – First, Then, Next, After that, Soon after that, A while later, Eventually, Finally, days of the week
- A scene setting opening
- An ending with comments on events
- Engaging details to bring events alive

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- Onomatopoeia words, for example ZOOM! MUNCH!
- Adjectives, for example the crunchy carrots or the dazzling, white swans
- Two adjectives, for example the scary old woman
- Adjectives: list of three for description
  - he wore old shoes a dark cloak and a red hat

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- Alliteration, for example Percy Pig
- Simile – it was as fun as a party or his eyes were as big as saucers
- Adverbs – slowly, quickly
- Repetition in description – a lean cat, a mean cat or following a pattern – days of the week

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- 'ly' openers (finally, luckily, fortunately, unfortunately)
- New vocabulary from reading experiences
- Simple conjunctions: and, or, but, so, because, that, then, that, while, when, where
- Openers: While... When... Where... There



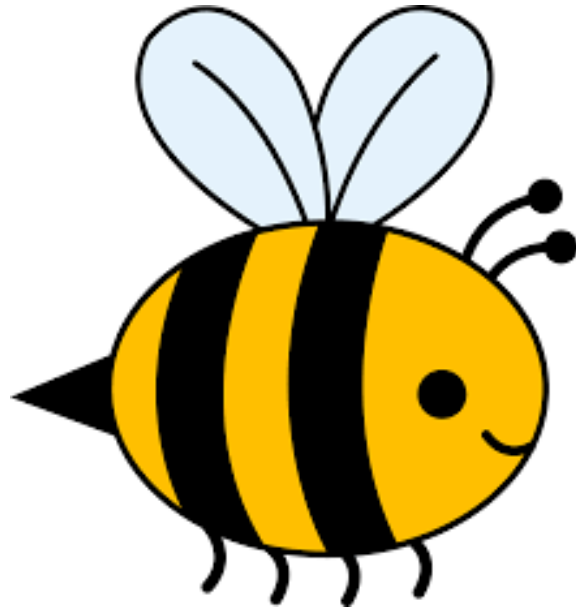
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## Particularly for Year 2

- Engaging details to bring events alive
- Write as if 'telling a story' of what happened
- Specific names of people, places, events and objects
- Personal response to what was seen
- Additional information given to the reader using brackets

# Recount - Foundation Stage

I saw a bee.





# Recount - Foundation Stage

I went for a walk. I saw a squirrel.





# Recount - Foundation Stage

First I went to the park.

Then I went on the swing.

Next I went on the big slide. WEEEE!

After that I went on the roundabout.

Finally I went home.

It was fun.



# Recount - Foundation Stage

Heidi the hen went for a walk.

First she went across the dusty yard.

Then she went over the pond.

Next she went over the yellow haycock.

After that she went under the beehive.

Finally she got home in time for tea.



# Recount - Foundation Stage

Last week I went to stay with my granny and grandpa.

On Monday I ate some crunchy carrots. CRUNCH CRUNCH!

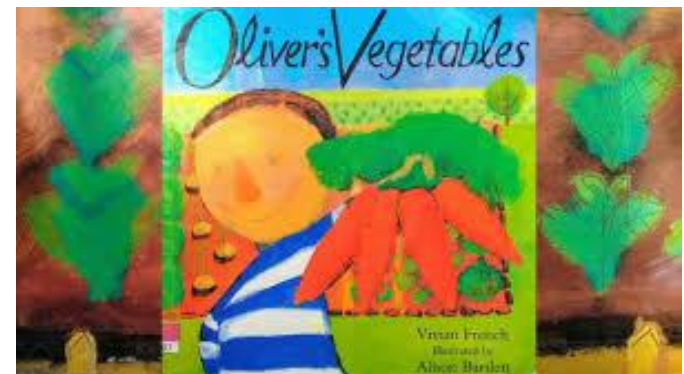
On Tuesday I ate some tasty tomatoes. Mmm!

On Wednesday I ate some crispy broccoli. MUNCH MUNCH!

On Thursday I ate some lettuce. CHOMP! CHOMP!

On Friday I found some potatoes so my granny made me some chunky chips. Luckily they were delicious. Yum! Yum!

It was the best week of my life.



# Recount – Foundation Stage/ Year 1

Yesterday I went to my gran's house.

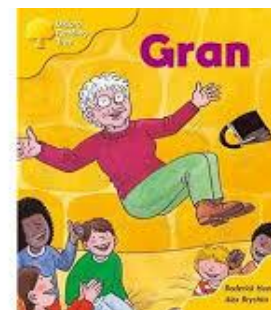
First I played in the garden. I played hide and seek with my gran and I won!

Then we had some lunch. I had chicken cheese and chorizo sandwiches.

Later on we went for a walk to the canal. We fed the colourful ducks and dazzling white swans.

After that we had a snack. My gran made some jam tarts and they were delicious. Mmm!  
Finally we went home.

It was as fun as a party.



# Recount - Year 1



Last week I flew to the moon in a rocket. ZOOM!



First I opened the door. I was feeling nervous because I was the first one to walk on the dusty moon. Next Buzz Aldrin got out of The Eagle. After that I planted the flag. Finally I flew back home.

It was the best day of my life.





# Recount - Year 1



One day Percy Pig was as hungry as a wolf so he went for a walk around the farm.

First Percy Pig fell into the pig pen. Crash! Next Percy Pig fell into the deep pond. SPLASH! Soon after that, Percy Pig jumped over the short fence. A while later Percy Pig crashed into a beehive. Finally he was chased all of the way home.



Percy Pig felt cross because he hadn't found any food and was still hungry.





# Recount - Year 1



Chomp was eight weeks old when he came to our house.

Monday

On Monday he ate one rubber ball while he was in the garden.

Tuesday

On Tuesday he ate two green pencils from my pencil case.

Wednesday

On Wednesday he ate three sticky buns.

Thursday

On Thursday he ate four flowers.

Friday

On Friday he ate five odd socks from the laundry basket.

Saturday

On Saturday he ate my mum's pot plant and she was furious!

Sunday

On Sunday he was HORRIBLY SICK!! All over the carpet. YUK!!

We love our new puppy. He is as fun as a party.







# Recount - Year 1



Last week we went to the shopping centre.

First we went to the pound shop and I got a brand new book. Then we went to the shoe shop where we looked at the boots and shoes. I got some black shiny shoes. Eventually we went to eat at the café. I had a cheese panini because that is my favourite. Later on we went to the toy shop. My brother got a new tennis racket with a big green tennis ball. Finally we went home and I had a nap in the car. ZZZZ! I was as tired as a teddy bear.

I liked the lunch best.





# Recount - Year 2



Yesterday we went to Bishops Wood to look for mini-beasts.

First we had a snack. Next we went into the woods. Vicki gave us a mirror. It was very scary because it was like you were walking in the sky! Then we had to guide our friends to a tree. After that we had a stinky potion party and mine was disgusting. Eventually it was lunch time! After lunch we went pond dipping our group found a newt. Last of all we sorted out animals. Finally it was home time.



# Recount - Year 2



The trip was great! My favourite part of the day was identifying the trees.



# Recount- Year 2



## **Porchester Castle**

### **Introduction**

Yesterday I went to the old stoney Porchester Castle on the bus. First I stepped on the coach with my partner Leo. On the way we sang Wheels On The Bus, The King Is In The Castle and a little bit of Call Me Maybe. I was really excited because we were nearly there!

### **Looking at the Outer walls.**

Next we arrived and we saw the keep and it was soooo tall! The other walls were protecting the inside of the castle so attackers won't attack. I felt very eager because I couldn't wait to see what we were going to do.

### **Up the spiral.**

After that we entered (on the pretend, wooden drawbridge) and the first activity was going up the spiral! When we were climbing, we had to hold our clipboard on our left hand and hold on to a long rope on our right hand. I felt surprised because it was a long way up to the top of the keep!

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## **At the top of the keep.**

A few minutes later we arrived at the top of the keep and we drew some of Porchester Castle. It was a great view! How I wished you were there! I was clapping my hands with excitement because I was so happy that I got to the very top of the keep.

## **Down the spiral**

Later that day I went down the spiral – but on the way we saw where the prisoners used to be and they drew something and their names are still there!! I felt happy because I wanted to explore more around the castle.



# Recount - Year 2

## **Lunch**

After going down the spiral we had lunch and I had some sandwiches, grapes, carrots, apple slices and so a brioche. (I also had some water.) I was so hungry and then I sat with my mum making a daisy chain.

## **At Porchester castle museum.**

After lunch, we went to the museum and drew our artefact and wrote some facts about Porchester Castle. I felt hard at work because I had to lots of facts. On the way back. Finally we hopped on the coach to go back to school and I felt sad to leave Porchester Castle because every day I want to go to Porchester everyday and everyday we do a new topic.

## **Closing Sentence**

I had a great day so I hope you have a favourite day of the year!





# Your Turn...

Now you can you try to write your own recount? You can either:

- Look back at the examples and change/ substitute some details to make your own version

or

- create your very own original recount.



# Real Life Recount Ideas...

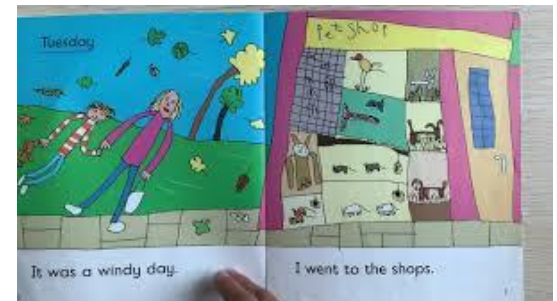
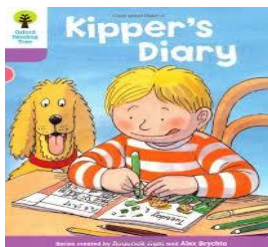
Write a real life recount:

- Go for a walk and write about it. You may wish to take some photographs so that you have visual prompts



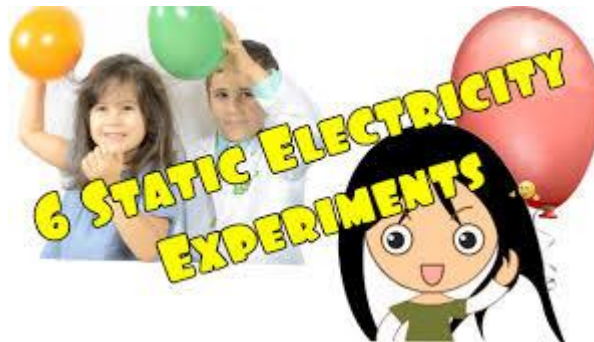
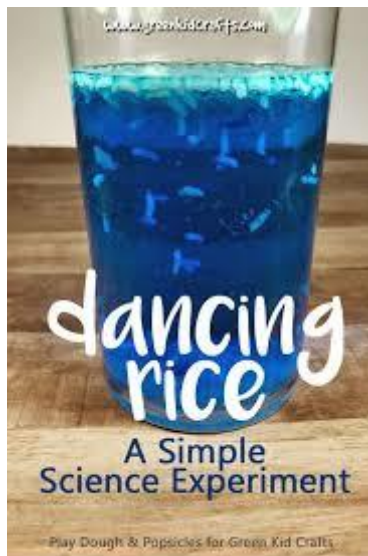
- Read Kipper's Diary – free on Oxford Owl

Write a diary of your week.



# Real Life Recount Ideas...

Carry out a science experiment and then write a recount.



# Imaginary Recount Ideas...

Write an imaginary recount:

- Watch a clip from You Tube feeding at the zoo, going on a safari, penguins in the Antarctic and recount your imaginary trip there.



- Share a story, choose a character and recount their actions and adventures.



- Watch a favourite tv programme, choose a character and recount their actions or adventures - Andy The Dinosaur Adventures or Peppa Pig,
- Watch Magic Grandad on You Tube.



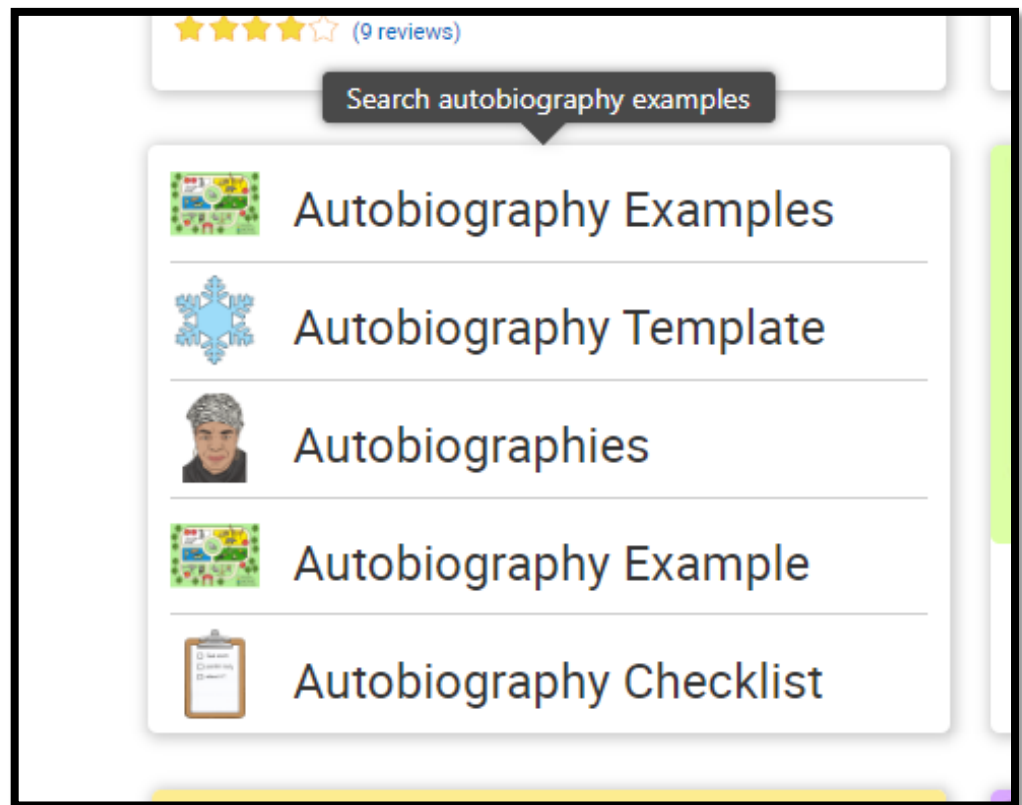
Recount a trip back in time.



# Other Ideas...

Write an autobiography of your life so far:

- Twinkl have lots of examples





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