**What to do today**

*IMPORTANT! Parent or Carer – Read this page with your child and check that you are happy with what they have to do and with any weblinks or use of the Internet required.*

**1. Story time**

Re-read the Hamilton story, *Chicken’s Bad Dream* by Ruth Merttens and Jackie Abey.

**2. Thinking up ideas for a new story**

You are going to write a story based on *Chicken’s Bad Dream*, called *Cat’s Bad Dream*.

* Carefully read the instructions on *Writing the story of Cat’s Bad Dream*
* Use the *Story Planner* to capture all your brilliant ideas.

**3. Writing a new story**

Now use pieces of *story paper* to write out your story.

* Use your best handwriting for your sentences.
* Put neat regular spaces between your words.
* Use an initial capital letter and a full stop for all your sentences.

**Now try this Fun-Time Extra**

* What would you *love* to dream about? Living in a castle? Playing football for Manchester United? Swimming in the sea with dolphins?
* On *My Perfect Dream*, write sentences describing your perfect dream. Add a picture to go with your writing.

**Writing the story of Cat’s Bad Dream**



**Planning your story:**

1. Imagine that, just like Chicken, Cat was sleeping.

She too was having a bad dream.

1. Which scary animals might be in her bad dream?

Come up with scary animals of your own or use some of these creatures:

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| *wasp wolf crow eagle killer whale lizard shark spider rat bat scorpion tarantula* |

1. Look carefully at the *Story Planner*.
2. Write the name of the first scary animal you think might be in Cat’s dream and add a describing word, e.g. *Grey* *Wolf* *was in her dream*. Is wolf a he or a she?
3. What two things do you think Wolf might be doing in the dream to frighten poor old Cat?

Use *and* to join your two ideas together: *He was howling and snarling at her.*

1. Do the same thing for two more animals: e.g. *sneaky Rat* and *furry Tarantula.*
2. *Then Cat woke up*. Say what Cat then does to be safe: *Cat hissed and dashed through the cat flap into the house*.

**Writing out your story**

1. When your *Story Planner* is full, carefully copy out the whole story in your very best handwriting onto a page of *story paper*.
2. If you want to, you can have more than three animals in your story. Write about more animals you want to include. Use more than one piece of *story paper*.
3. Add drawings of all the animals from your story around the edges of the paper.

**My Story Planner**

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| Cat was sleeping. She was having a bad dream. |
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| Then Cat woke up. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

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**My Perfect Dream**



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