

Student Exemplars
for
Problem- Solution
Paragraphs

Story:
Aunt Eater Solves a
Mystery

Guided Practice

Each exemplar features a student's written paragraph followed by his/her Story Map.

story map writing

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Problem - Solution

X In the story Aunt Eater solves a mystery, Aunt Eater is watching Mr. Chumly's cat ^{Sam}. Sam disappears at Aunt Eater's house. Aunt Eater searches the house to find Sam. Aunt Eater goes outside to look for clues. Aunt Eater follows paw prints to an alley and hears some cats meowing. She runs into the alley and finds hundreds of cats. Aunt Eater got an idea to get some fish because Sam Doesn't like fish. There's only one cat that Doesn't eat the fish and it's Sam. Aunt Eater finds Sam in an alley. As you can see, Aunt Eater solves the mystery of the missing cat.

Purpose: Problem - Solution

Title: Aunt Eater Solves a Mystery

Characters?

Sam
Aunt Eater
Mr. Chumly

Setting?

Aunt Eater's house
outside
alley

Problem

Mr. Chumly's cat, Sam, disappears at Aunt Eater's house

Solution

Aunt Eater finds Sam in an alley.

List the EVENTS on the back.

Events

1. Aunt Eater searches the house to find Sam.

2. Aunt Eater goes outside to look for clues.

3. Aunt Eater ^{follows paw prints} ~~goes~~ to ^{an} ~~the~~ alley and hears ~~meow!~~
some ~~or~~ cats meowing.

4. She runs into the alley and finds ^{hundreds of} ~~15~~ cats.

5. Aunt Eater got an idea she ^{to get some} ~~pulled out a fish and~~ ^{because} ~~threw it since~~ Sam ~~Doesn't~~ like fish. ~~and found Sam.~~

6. There's ~~only~~ ^{fish} one cat that ~~doesn't~~ eat ^{it's} the fish.