

Narrative

Description:

Some children find it hard to structure and order their stories.

These children may:

- Struggle to re-tell an event or story
- Muddle up their written stories at school
- Muddle up the order of events within their stories
- Not include all the information needed when telling a story (e.g. miss out who they are talking about)



How can I help at home?

1. Read stories regularly to provide exposure to stories and formal language
2. Teach your child 'beginning, middle and end' concepts
Talk about these ideas in stories as well as in everyday activities.
3. Use scaffolding questions to help plan narratives:
 - Who was there?
 - What happened?
 - When did it happen?
 - How did she/he feel?
 - What did she/he do?
 - How did it end?
4. Practice retelling of events and life experiences
5. After a TV programme or DVD, talk about the story in this way too.
6. Make your own story books.