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Grade 4

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Materials Required

Textbooks:

1. *Dogs on the Job!*
True Stories of
Phenomenal Dogs

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***W2 - Lesson 4:
Local Fame***

OBJECTIVES

By the end of this lesson, you should

- use prefixes and suffixes
- use a variety of sentence starters
- write a paragraph using jot notes
- use learned techniques of strong verbs, a varied vocabulary, and a variety of sentence beginnings

GLOSSARY

adverb - a word that modifies a verb, an adjective, or another adverb; generally ends in “ly”

pun - a play on words

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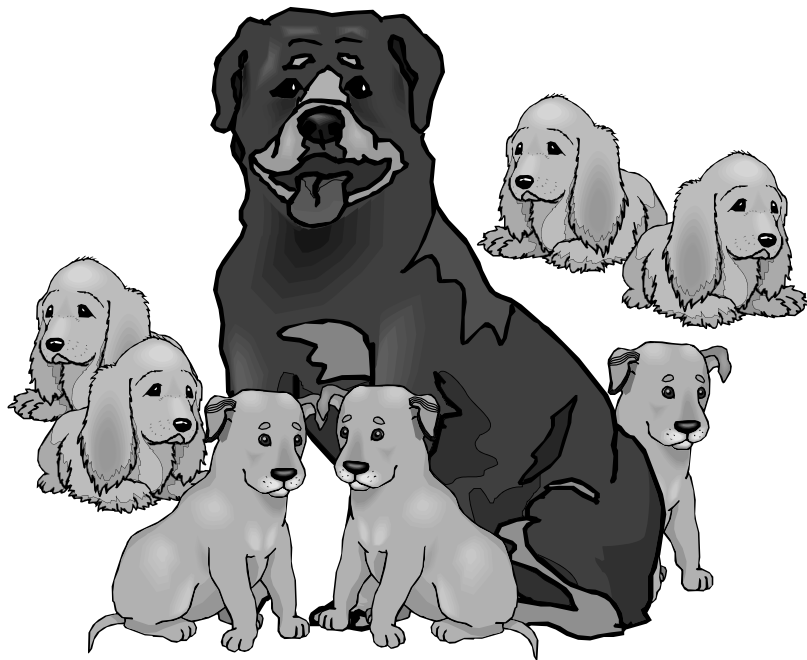


Share

With a partner or in a small group, share the stories you wrote about Jet chasing birds off the runways.

Often you can find stories in local newspapers about dogs who have done noteworthy deeds. A while back, a story about four abandoned and shivering puppies made the news in Edmonton.

Found in a plastic bag near a dumpster, the infant puppies were delivered to the SPCA. There, a Rotweiler cross, already nursing three of her own newborns, adopted them.



Discuss any interesting stories you have read or heard about dogs in your town or city. For example, have you read any stories about dogs rescuing owners from a fire or helping an owner who was sick? Dogs can be heroes too.

Pick of the Litter

Read



Not all dogs who are famous save lives or rescue people. Turn to the contents page of *Dogs on the Job!* and find “Pick of the Litter”. Read this story to find what special feats Bingo, an unusual dog from Winnipeg, Manitoba, can do.

1. List the phenomenal things Bingo can do. Look back in the story to find as many of his tricks as possible.

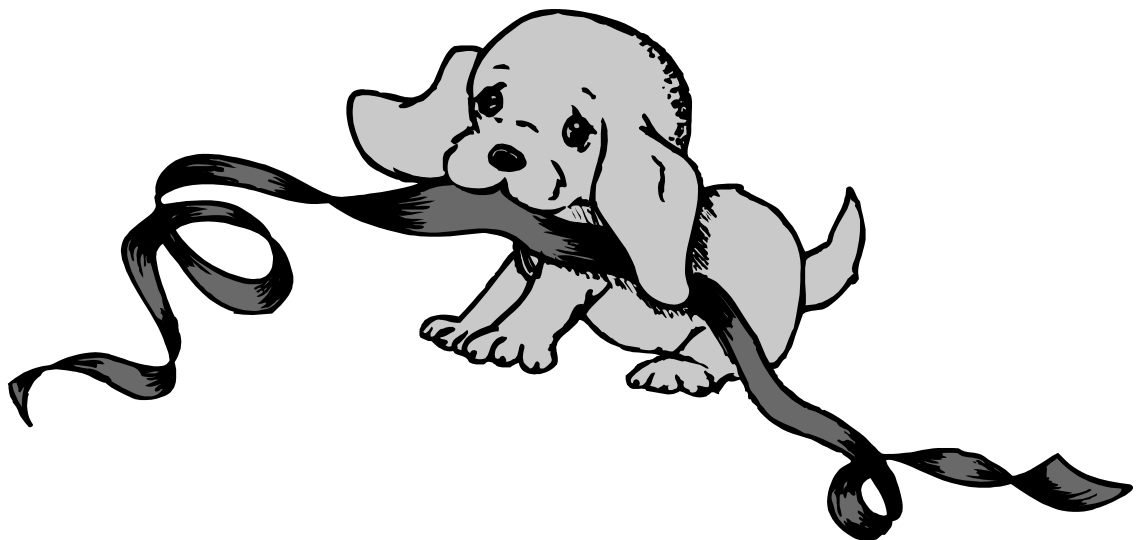
2. Look at the catchy title, “The Pick of the Litter”. The author is hinting at the two meanings of the word, **litter**. What two meanings of the word **litter** is the author thinking of?

This use of the word *litter* is called a **pun**. A pun is a play on words. The author mixes the two meanings of the word. For example, **litter** means “the young animals born at one time from one mother”. The other definition of the word is “scattered rubbish”.

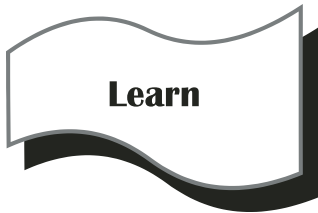
The pick of the litter picks up litter.

3. Ian Russell, Bingo's owner, had always owned retrievers before he discovered Bingo. What does Mr. Russell now have to say about Border Collies?

- 4 So far in this course, you have read three different stories about the work that Border Collies can do. Name jobs this breed of dogs has proved good at doing.



More About Sentence Beginnings



In W2 - Lesson 2, you learned about some new ways to make your sentence beginnings more exciting.

Sentence Beginnings

Type 1: *Who/Did What* sentences

Type 2: *When-Where-How* Phrase

Type 3: *Iy* word

Type 4: *ing* or *ed* word

Type 5: SABI (*since, although because, if*)

Today you will practice writing sentences using all five types of sentence beginnings.

Here are your twelve spelling words.

know	no	
there	their	they're
it's	its	
our	hour	
to	two	too

Use each word in a sentence of its own. Your task is to use a different sentence beginning for each word.

Type 1: *Who/Did What Sentences*

In Who/Did What sentences, the first part of the sentence is the **subject**. Below are some examples of subject beginnings.

Jet ...

The dog with the sore paw ...

Most dog owners ...

Guide dogs ...

Choose **two** spelling words. Write a sentence for each word using a **Type 1** beginning. Underline each spelling word.

Example: Our dog barked ferociously.

1. _____

2. _____



Type 2: *When-Where-How* Phrases

These phrases tell when something happened, where something happened, or how something happened. Here are some examples of Type 2 beginnings.

Down the garden path	Over the rainbow
Around the corner	Before lunch
Into the garbage	On top of the highest tree
After our shopping trip	With determination

Choose **three** spelling words. Write a sentence for each word. Use a **Type 2** beginning.

Example: Behind the elephant sat the cowardly lion.

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

Type 3: *ly* Words

Below are some examples of Type 3 sentence beginnings. These words all end in *-ly*. They are called adverbs.

Calmly	Carefully	Excitedly
Finally	Foolishly	Fortunately
Gladly	Greedily	Hungrily
Loudly	Luckily	Mostly
Normally	Naturally	Proudly
Quickly	Rapidly	Sadly
Surprisingly	Unfortunately	Usually

Choose **two** spelling words. Write a sentence for each word. Use a **Type 3** beginning.

Example: Unfortunately, the dog disappeared soon after we brought him home.

6. _____

7. _____

Type 4: *-ing* and *-ed* Words

Below are some examples of Type 4 sentence beginnings. These words all end in *-ing* or *-ed*.

Angered	Interested	Acting	Opening
Assured	Stunned	Balancing	Running
Excited	Surprised	Calling	Standing
Fooled	Terrified	Helping	Swimming
Helped	Trapped	Jumping	Walking
Ignored	Wondering	Laughing	Worried

Directions: Choose **two** spelling words. Write a sentence for each word. Use a **Type 4** beginning.

Example: Angered by his brother's teasing, the boy ran into the house.

8. _____

9. _____

Type 5: SABI (*Since, Although, Because, If*)

Below are some examples of Type 5 sentence beginnings. These are also called clause starters.

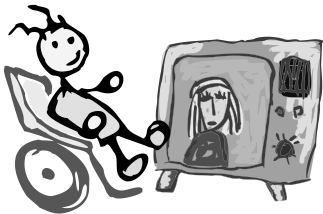
Since	When	As
Although	Where	If
Because	While	

Choose **two** spelling words. Write a sentence for each word using a **Type 5** beginning.

Example: Since I turned ten, I am allowed to stay up late on weekends.

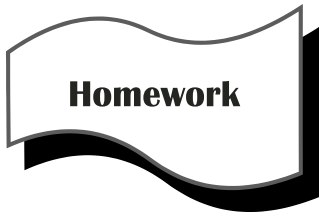
10. _____

11. _____



Check your sentences with the Sentence Rubric.

Sentence Rubric	Yes	No
Does each sentence make sense?		
Did I leave out any words?		
Did I use capital letters where they are needed?		
Did I end each sentence with the correct punctuation?		
Is my spelling correct?		



Homework

Study your spelling words because you will be tested on them tomorrow. Be sure you know both the spelling and meaning of each word.

