

Transcript - Language Arts - Activity 5

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Hello, this is your CS First with Google co-taught lesson - Storytelling activities. This is activity 5, and it's going to be all about your personal narrative! My name is Katie, and I'll be your co teacher today.

Today you're going to learn about a personal narrative. You will then choose a premise to get your story started and build your personal narrative around. Then you're going to spend some time outlining your story. And finally, you will go into Scratch for CS First and create your own personal narrative, using the tools that you have learned in the previous activities. So let's get started with a quick discussion. What is a personal narrative? Teachers go ahead and pause right now to have that discussion.

A personal narrative is a story about yourself. And your premise options are going to be these three options: my perfect day, my life if I were famous, or if I had a superpower. So you're going to build around one of these three options. So I'd like all of you to take a moment have some think time and then go ahead and share which premise option will you be choosing?

I think that I'm going to choose the superpower premise. I'm really excited to write a story all around that option. So, before we dive into creating and making our outline, go ahead and go to Lesson Seven in the Storytelling unit, click on video two and watch that whole video right now.

Now that we've watched our video, let's dive into the outline of our story. You're going to create one either on paper or digitally, or whatever directions your teachers asked you to do so and I would love for you to consider the following questions as you outline your story. Where is the setting for your story? What are the main events in your stories plot? And how will your story end? So make sure you add all of those to your outline. So go ahead and get to work students!

Here is my personal narrative outline. I just created a very simple quick digital one, where I added in my premise starter to get me started "if I had a superpower," and then I chose my setting to happen in a park. And my main main event is that a cat gets stuck in a tree and its owner cannot get it! And finally, it's going to end where I use my superpower and rescue the cat. So I've given it an outline just

to get me started and to know where I want to go. Now that you've created your outline, let's go back to Lesson Seven in the Storytelling unit and see CS First and you're going to click on the number two again, if it's not already open, and you're going to select your starter project. So students, it's now your turn! In Scratch for CS First, create your own personal narrative using the tools that you have learned in previous activities to create your own story. And don't forget to use your outline for help.

How did it go? I know I had a lot of fun. So let me just share my project with you quickly. I came in and I started from scratch with my creating a fresh backdrop, adding some different characters to my story, and then coding each of my characters using the different tools and ideas that we learned from previous activities. I have dialogue in here. I have movement happening in here. I also have some other dialogue and movement happening and things coming in and out as well. So let's click the green flag and watch my story unfold. So here I am. If I had a superpower, I would fly. Here's my other character with a problem popping into my story. And then I have an idea to see if maybe I can save the cat. And there it goes. I saved the cat. And that is my quick personal narrative story.

Make sure to share yours too! Now that you've all had a chance to share your story, let's have one final discussion. Were you able to stick to your original outline? Or did you have to make adjustments as you built your code? I know that I was able to stick to mine but if you had to make adjustments, that's okay too, as long as you had fun and got creative! So go ahead and pause here and have the discussion now.

Awesome work everybody. Thank you so much for participating in CS First with Google co taught lesson storytelling activity five