

GRADE FOUR

NARRATIVES - LEVEL 1

- vague, unrelated message
- little organization of ideas
- inappropriate use of language and conventions
- difficult to follow
- no awareness of purpose

My favorite place is Deer Park
So a Calgary Park is a big
swimming pool it's a waterside
with a tunnel there's diving boards
there's two water slides where is
for older kids the other one
is for little kids and it's only
on summer because if they
are where in sports they
will freeze to die so you
can only swim in summer
and I went with my family
and we might go to Calgary Park
and if I don't go I'll go to
Edmonton with my grandparents going
to show me my home town and
show me the big things west
Mum they might help me
find my Dad because he left
me when I was little
because my mom and them
were getting mad at there
Chiter it's a big town
Edmonton there's big in part
mints and lots of houses

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NARRATIVES - LEVEL 2

- opening statement
- logical order of events
- language and conventions show some control
- ends abruptly
- limited details

My Easter Holiday

Guess what? I'm going to my grandma's house in Medicine Hat for ~~Easter~~ Easter. We'll be going after school on the 21st! It's a 7 hour drive to Medicine Hat. We are staying there for two days. On one of the days we're going to hunt for the candy eggs. My grandma has two dogs. One is Angelbana the other one is Andy. We are going to bring our dog named Jaro. We have had Easter there most of the time, and maybe all the time. It will be a fun time.

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NARRATIVES - LEVEL 2

- logical order
- appropriate use of conventions
- includes personal experiences, point of view
- limited detail, short
- rudimentary organization

Our Ski Trip

On Friday March 11, 2011 our class went skiing. It was so much fun when we got there. First, we got our stuff on. Then we went outside to go skiing on the bunny hill and go half way up the magic carpet. After that, we had to go with an instructor all the way up the magic carpet. Before we could go on the chair lift, we had to pass a lesson. We had to show that we could turn and stop. Skiing was a lot of fun.

LUNCH

The food was great. I had a water bottle, 2 chocolate bars, and some noodles. I sat next to Samantha and Brooklyn. Brooklyn and I had fun. There were a lot of tables in the lunch room. I had a good lunch.

THE BUS RIDE BACK

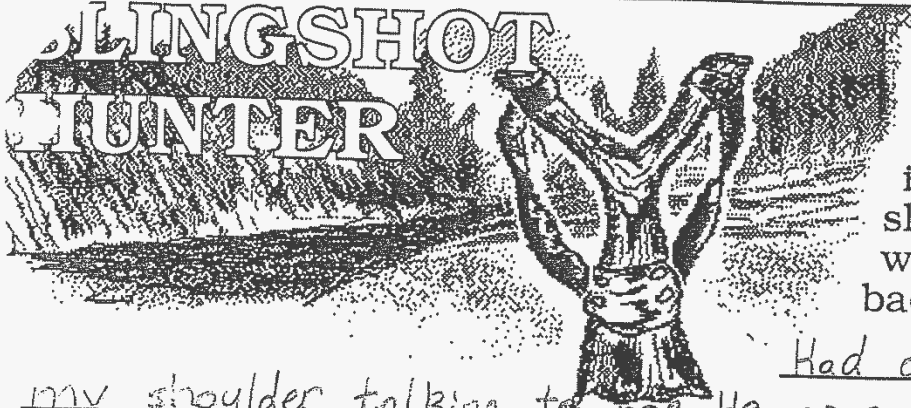
It was so much fun on the ride back because there were a lot of bumps. I sat with Brooklyn on the ride there and back. It was the longest ride of my life. It took like 3 hours to get there. Anyways I had fun. The long bus ride was worth the trip!

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NARRATIVES - LEVEL 2

- some control over basic language conventions, spelling, punctuation
- basic, simple sentences mostly connected to central idea
- tone and voice evident
- paragraph ends abruptly
- limited use of details
- rudimentary development of ideas
- only one paragraph

SLINGSHOT HUNTER



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No one would believe me. I had gone hunting with only my slingshot, but when I came back I ...

Had a parrot on my shoulder talking to me. He was talking to me about his life. His life seemed very awkward because he lived in a tropical rain forest and had only parrots in there because there was a king parrot and he said only parrots were allowed. He said only parrots because they could actually speak. The others would just make noise and he thought that meant nothing. He thought it meant nothing because he could not understand them. So if someone or something came close the king said attack. I took him home with me and asked him if he wanted to stay or go back to the forest. He said stay because he liked talking to me. He stayed with me and we became best friends.

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NARRATIVES - LEVEL 3

- voice present
- coherent
- ideas clear and complete
- developed central idea
- lack of conventions gets in the way at times
- simple sentences

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The Broken machine.
Vvvvrem their I was going as fast as my quad could go I was hiten that throdle like it was nuthing. I was in my field but as you know their can be a lote of rockes in a field. Ahhhhhh next thing you know I hit a rock. My quad staped I pulled the starter as hard as I could it just wouldnot start. I realisd that I had my trusty wakytalky. Mom, mam come in mam there was no anser so I pushed and pushed that quad as hard ^{as} I could but there was something I did not realise. I finally got home after two houwrs then my mam said she called back. Oh no my wakytalky I geta go find it.
ooooohh man.

The End!

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NARRATIVES - LEVEL 3

- clear message
- strong conventions
- clear complex sentences
- simple facts
- weakness – more sensory details

The friends who lived in Cookie World.

Once upon a time there lived four friends who lived in amazing wonderful Cookie World. The friends names were, Ty, Logan, Lakeisha and Kona. They lived in Cookie World for their whole lives. Cookie World had chocolate chip grass, cookie boats, a chocolate river, chocolate milk fountain and a chocolate lake.

One day at Ty's house they were playing cookie twister.

Kona had an idea, "Hey let's go to the chocolate milk lake to swim."

Everyone said, "Let's go." So they got their swim suits on and off they went to Milk Lake. Milk Lake was right by Milk Fountain. They took cups just in case they got thirsty. After they were done

Logan asked, "Do you guys want to go camping?"

Everyone said one after another, "Why not?"

So on the way camping they saw their friend Kaelyn and asked her to join.

She said, "Okay!" She was really excited. Now they're off.

In Cookie forest it was sort of scary. The girls were scared except for Ty and Logan. They were so scared that they started to run. Lakeisha got left behind and no one knew. When they got near a cookie bush Kona, Kaelyn, Ty and Logan saw Asia. All they had were tents. Asia had all the supplies to camp.

Ty said, "We're saved!" in an excited voice.

When Lakeisha was still lost she saw an owl that was really spooky. The body was like a cookie with marshmallows and she was near a big cookie tree. At home the parents were worried so they called them on the phone. Their mom gave them; ring ring. They picked up the phone

"Hello," Kaelyn said.

The parents asked "Is everybody there?"

They counted everyone Asia, Ty, Logan, Kona... where's Lakeisha? No one knew so they followed their trail back until they were out of the woods.

Lakeisha got hurt, she cut herself when she was running down to find them. Her leg got scraped but she had brought a flash light just in case. It was made of cookies.

In the morning they went to mayor Mr. McCookie monster. They asked for a search party to look for Lakeisha.

He said, "That's a good idea." So they went to look for her. They looked and looked for her for two hours.

In the forest they saw her by a cookie bush. She had cookies on her face. She saw all her friends; Asia, Kaelyn, Kona, Ty and Logan. Even her parents were there and they were so happy they found her. For the reward they all had Cookie dough ice-cream except for Lakeisha. So they all agreed that they never played in Cookie forest or go camping ever again.

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NARRATIVES - LEVEL 3

- variety of sentence beginnings
- fantastic inductory
- tone and voice evidence
- didn't develop ideas
- ends abruptly

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St. Patrick's Day

One sunny March morning an unthinkable thing happened. My sister was up before lunch. Oh that wasn't the only thing that happened today. I was eating my cereal and I found a leprechaun in it. Here's the weirdest thing, it was dead. I thought it was just one of those toys that you get with cereal. It wasn't rubber or plastic so I figured it was real. I thought about it for a little while, and then it hit me; there is only one leprechaun in the world. I heard a bark from outside, it was my neighbor's dog.

The dog a little green hat and a clover stuck to his paw. Now I know how the leprechaun died he was stepped on by a dog.

The End.

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NARRATIVES - LEVEL 4

- writes a recollection of an event with vivid sensory details
- clear structure
- paragraphs are organized and coherent
- opening is wordy and repetitive

Recal #7

Scorer # _____

Christmas Day

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Everyone knows that Christmas day is great, but for me this Christmas was going to be extra special because my Aunty Penny, Uncle Jay, two cousins and grandparents were coming to my house in Regina Saskatchewan on Christmas day to open presents and have the best day ever!

First I got up super early to see what I got from Santa, and then I remembered I had made a deal with my mom that I couldn't open presents until everyone was awake. So I waited patiently while everyone got up. I was so excited, how could I wait until everyone was here? It was like waiting for all the holidays in a year on one day! But of course, everyone came 30 minutes later. Then we opened our presents. I got lots of things. I was very happy with all my gifts, I especially liked my iPod that I got, that present was my favorite.

Then we had Christmas brunch right after we opened presents. My mom and grandma worked very hard on brunch. We had fruit soup, (my favorite) buns, eggs, bacon and sausage. Mmm - mm! I enjoyed brunch a lot! I think I enjoyed opening presents more though!

Next the adults went to talk, boring!! So I took my cousin Jackson, who is only two and his sixth month old sister, Saarah to look at the decorated Christmas tree. Jackson mentioned he liked it and Saarah just played with the ornaments, but I think she liked it. My cousins and I played some more, but then my mom called us.

It turned out, that the reason that my mom called us was for Christmas dinner! My favorite part of the day! Christmas dinner was stunning! We had turkey, stuffing, orange salad, (that I made all by myself) broccoli salad, turnip mix and mash potatoes. It was the best Christmas dinner ever! It was even better than last Christmas! When dinner was over we cleaned up the dishes.

After we cleaned up the dishes, it was time for my Uncle, Aunty and two cousins too go. I was sad to see them go, but we had a great day. We said our goodbyes as they left and went back inside.

Christmas day was the best day I've had in a long time, I have a lot more presents, we have a lot more pictures of our family and I had a wonderful day!!