

WALT: Write an alternative opening to The Viewer

- ✓ Range of clause structure
- ✓ Commas to separate clauses
- ✓ Change part of a text



What tools do we need to write an effective narrative?

non-negotiables

- Capitals > name, place, I, titles, start sentences
- Full stops
- Punctuation > ? ! “ “ commas
- Fronted adverbials with comma (ISPACE)
- Apostrophes ' (Jack's pen, can't)
- Paragraphs
- Joined, clear handwriting
- Common (Right Every Time) spellings
- Expanded noun phrases – precise vocabulary

Success:

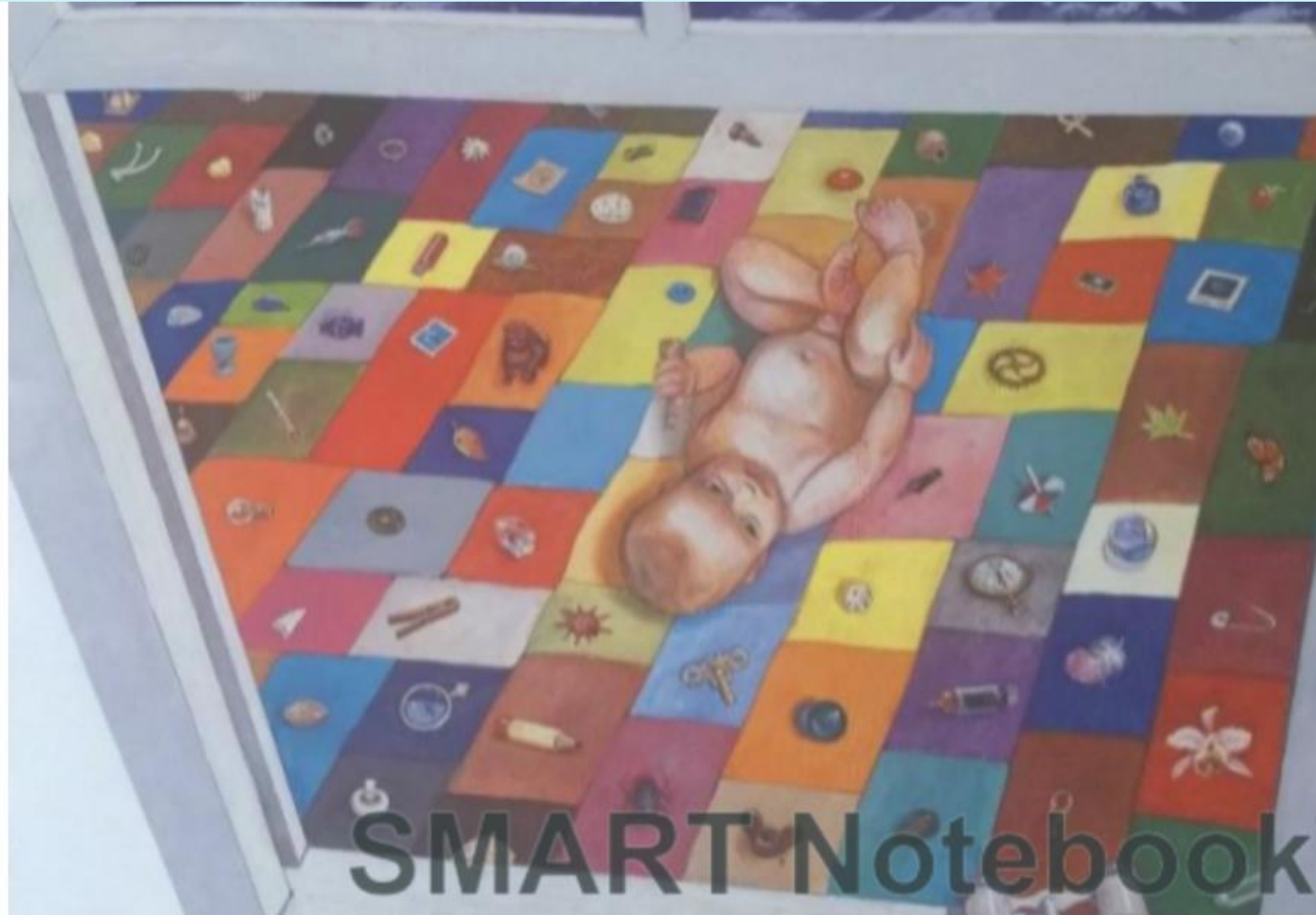
- *Avoid repetition*
- *Openers to sequence writing*
- *Use of pronouns*
- *Synonyms*



Paragraph 1

Tristan is born - describe his personality.

Tristan is a child - what is he like now? what does he do that shows this? where does he go?



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Example - can you identify features that make this cohesive?

Babbling and exploring from birth, Tristan's parents knew that he was different from other babies.

He appeared rather ordinary, but once you knew him well (as his parents did) you could see that he possessed a particular quality. A quality that made him especially curious and inquisitive, even for a baby.

By the age of ten, Tristan would walk for miles by himself. His parents grew panicked and protective - afraid they would lose their little boy. But he wasn't afraid; in fact, he was the opposite of afraid. He felt most at peace while strolling alone, gathering leaves, rocks and seashells.



He begins exploring the dump -
why does he do this? what attracts
him to this place? what is so
special about the dump?

What does he discover at the dump?

Lead into discovering an item.



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Tristan felt a magnetic pull towards one place in particular. Maybe it was the mountain of metal or the piles of plastic that made the dump seem appealing to someone like Tristan, someone who appreciated that one man's junk could be another man's treasure.

He viewed the dump as his own personal gift shop; a museum full of artifacts that were selectively displayed just for him. While he loved sorting through these interesting items, his favourite part was examining them once he'd got home. This was certainly the case with his latest find.



Your turn!

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You can give Tristan any personality trait you like, just make sure you stay with the structure:

- His personality is noticed from birth to childhood
- He begins visiting a peculiar place - what does he find there?

Remember your success criteria.

