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PARAGRAPH WRITING

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Compose a Narrative Text



LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- After completing this course, students are expected to be able to outline a narrative text

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Definition of Narrative Text

- Narrative text is a text which contains story (fiction / non-fiction / tales / folktales / fables / myths / epic) and its plot consists of climax of the story (complication) then followed by the resolution

Purpose of Narrative Text

- A narrative text is a text amuse to entertain and deal with actual or vicarious experience in different ways.
- Narrative text deals with problematic events which leads to a crisis or turning point of some kind, which in turn finds a resolution.

The generic structure of narrative text

Orientation

It introduces the participant and the setting (where, when).

Complication

The crisis or problem arises.

Resolution

The crisis is resolved for better or worse. It brings the sequence of events to an end.

Re-orientation

The closing sentence that tells the character's final condition in the story or the moral message of the story.

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The Legend of Mount Batur

A long time ago, there lived on the island of Bali a giant-like creature named Kebo Iwo. The people of Bali used to say that Kebo Iwo was everything, a destroyer as well as a creator. He was satisfied with the meal, but this meant for the Balinese people enough food for a thousand men.

Difficulties arose when for the first time the barns were almost empty, and the new harvest was still a long way off. This made Kebo Iwo wild with great anger. In his hunger, he destroyed all the houses and even the temples. It made the Balinese turn to rage.

So, they came together to plan steps to oppose this powerful giant by using his stupidity. They asked Kebo Iwo to build them a very deep well and rebuild all the houses and temples he had destroyed. After they fed Kebo Iwo, he began to dig a deep hole.

One day he had eaten too much, he fell asleep in the hole. The oldest man in the village gave a sign, and the villagers began to throw the limestone they had collected before into the hole. The limestone made the water inside the hole boiling. Kebo Iwo was buried alive. Then the water in the well rose higher and higher until at last it overflowed and formed Lake Batur. The mound of earth dug from the well by Kebo Iwo is known as Mount Batur.

The Difference Between Descriptive text and Narrative text

Introduction

In **descriptive writing**, the introduction is all about what the subject to be discussed in your writing. The reader can easily guess what is going to be the next. On the other hand, **the narrative writing** is based on suspense and writer does not reveal the story suddenly. In order to end up the mystery, the reader must go through from the paper.

Point of View

Descriptive writing is written with first person perspective. On the other hand, descriptive writing has third person point of view in it. Moreover, **narrative writing** includes place, person and object. On the other hand, in narrative writing, the writer talks about his/her personal experience.

Paragraph Structure

In **narrative writing**, you can write two sentences in one paragraph. However, in **descriptive one**, you can write long paragraphs. The use of **dialogues is quite common in narrative writing** in comparison to descriptive writing.

Conclusion

The ending part in descriptive **writing can be short** and to the point. However, in **narrative** essay the conclusion portion can be long and detailed one.

Overall Technique and Structure

If we talk about **narrative writing or essay**, then the events use to represent **in the chronological form**. There is a time frame in it. The writer uses the time feature to show different incidents to create a clear idea in reader's mind. On the other hand, in **descriptive writing**, you are **not bound to follow a strict time** frame to talk about any incident.



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