

After reading the short story "Priscilla and the Wimps" in *Elements of English 9* (p. 94) complete the following writing assignment:

**TASK:**

This story covers a serious subject but is meant to be funny. What happens after the story ends could be tragic. Your task is to continue the story from where it ends. Be creative! You must follow these steps to complete this assignment:

1. **Brainstorm:** Create an organizer, (like a web chart) to list the characters who will be involved in your addition to the story. Brainstorm what events you will include in your addition.
2. **Write:** Begin writing the rough copy of your addition. Remember all of the parts of the story and writing tips we have discussed including *adding detail, conflict, types of characters, the setting, using dialogue*, etc.

Your story **must be at least ONE (1) full page when typed out in size 11 font**. This means for most people, at least 2.5 pages of hand-writing.

Also, make sure that your writing includes clear sentences and paragraphs!

3. **Edit:** Read through your story after it has been written and look for the following:
  - Do the sentences make sense and flow from one to the next?
  - Are the characters and their actions clear? Does everything make sense?
  - Is the story descriptive? Will readers be able to picture what is happening?
  - Are there any spelling or grammar mistakes?
  - Does the addition to the story connect with the first part of the story?

It's also a good idea to get another person to read your story and ask the same questions.

4. **Publish:** For this step you will write your story on the computer following a format explained by the teacher. You will need to have computer access before you can do this step.
5. **Illustrate:** You are also expected to create **one** illustration to go with your story addition. It doesn't matter if you think you're the worst artist in the world. Choose what you think is the best part of your addition and draw a picture on a piece of regular white paper. Be imaginative, use colour and show what you can do!

**MARKS BREAKDOWN...**

Brainstorming	/10	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>/50</b>
Short Story Content	/15		
Short Story Communication	/10		
Short Story Presentation	/15		

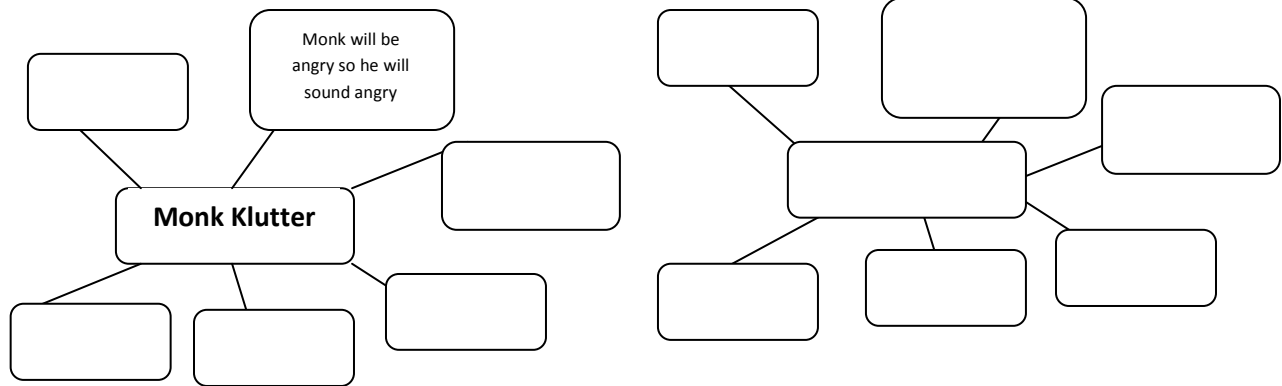
**BRAINSTORMING...**

*Use this organizer or create one of your own to help organize your ideas when brainstorming for this assignment.*

**PLOT EVENTS:** (List some ideas for things you plan to have happen)

BEGINNING	MIDDLE	END
• _____	• _____	• _____
• _____	• _____	• _____
• _____	• _____	• _____
• _____	• _____	• _____
• _____	• _____	• _____
• _____	• _____	• _____
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**CHARACTER IDEAS:** (Come up with ideas that explain about your characters)



**SETTING IDEAS:** (Where and when will your story take place)?

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER IDEAS:** (What other ideas would you like to include in your story)?