

SYNCHRONIZE THE STORY



AIMS/OBJECTIVES

Working as a group to verbally and logically organize FRED AND THE MONSTER from memory

SKILLS

Memory, logic, organization, teamwork

MATERIALS

Scissors, downloaded exercise cut into separate pieces

PROCEDURE

- 1. Download page 2 and cut the abridged version of **FRED AND THE MONSTER** into separate pieces.
- 2. Each student receives one part of the story. (If there are more than eighteen students, pair students into groups as necessary. If there are less than eighteen, give some students two or more parts.).
- 3. Give each student (or group of two or three students) a minute or two to memorize his or her part/s. If necessary, have the student/s write their part down to be used for emergency purposes only, i.e. if they forget.
- 4. After the allotted time, collect all parts of the story.
- 5. Speaking only, students must work as a group to put the story in chronological order. Once they have all agreed on the order, students recite the story (each speaking his or her part/s) from memory.



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It's nighttime, and Fred's going to sleep.	Fred is surprised because the monster is afraid of him.	The monster is terrified when it steps on a vine and thinks it is a snake.
Fred begs his mom to sleep With the lights on.	The monster explains that there are dangerous alligators, snakes, and bees in the swamp.	When Fred hears a bee buzzing by his ear, the monster saves him by whipping the bee with the tip of its tail.
She insists he sleep With the lights off, like big boys do.	Fred tells the monster about the spark of courage it has inside.	When they arrive at the monster's lair, the monster thanks Fred, and then goes to sleep.
She places a hand on Fred's shoulder and tells him he has a spark of courage inside.	Fred climbs through the bedroom Window as the monster follows, its tail dragging behind.	Fred leaves the flashlight near the monster's head, and then he walks home by moonlight.
Fred is afraid. He hears ghosts, goblins, and gremlins coming to get him.	Together, Fred and the monster wander down the street, turn the corner, and cross the bridge.	Back in his room, Fred takes off his muddy sneakers and slips into bed.
Fred hears teeth chattering, and then finds a monster under his bed.	While going through the swamp, the monster mistakes a tree for a giant alligator.	Before going to bed, Fred pulls out his spare flashlight and sets it on the bedside table just in case.



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