

Year 4 Writing Challenge 8

Sleeping Giants



1. Answer the Talking Picture Questions

Talking Pictures

Can you describe the giant as he emerges from the ground? What has caused the almighty groan?

What do you think the giant will do now that he is awake?

Are people in danger?

What had happened the last time he awoke?

What had caused him to sleep again?

Are there more like him?

How would you react to seeing him for the first time?

2. Take the Writing Challenge - use the starter sentences to begin your story

Writing Challenge

For a thousand years, he had been sleeping; now, he was awake.

The ground began to shake. A colossal, monstrous hand, which had been lying motionless in a seemingly eternal slumber just minutes earlier, emerged from the earth.

There was an almighty groan...

Spelling Year3/4 Word List

The following words are from the Year 3/ 4 spelling list. Use some of the different strategies we discussed at the beginning of the year to learn how to spell the word - pyramid, diamond, mnemonics, pictures etc and write an **extended sentence** to include each word. You could then try the Growth Mindset Challenge. Give it a go!

Growth Mindset Challenge - Can you write a story that includes all the words?

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bicycle difficult guard minute pressure therefore

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Speech marks

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Speech marks are also called inverted commas or quotation marks.

They are used before and after **spoken words**.

Speech marks may be single ‘ ’ or double “ ”.

Double ones are used throughout this book.



Remember the comma: it is used after: He said, She asked, etc.

Look at the example: He said, “We have lost the cat.”

Remember this order:

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| 1. a comma | ’ |
| 2. opening speech marks | “ |
| 3. a capital letter | A |
| 4. a full stop | . |
| 5. closing speech marks | ” |

e.g. John said, “That was a good match.”

Remember: Closing speech marks always go **after** the full stop.

Add the commas, speech marks and full stops.

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| 1. She said It is four o'clock | 2. You said It isn't true |
| 3. Pierre said I'll wait | 4. She said Yes please |
| 5. The teacher said Write this | 6. They said That's rubbish |
| 7. Mum said I want a cup of tea | 8. He said It's cool |
| 9. I said No, thank you | 10. Dad said Mum needs you |
| 11. We said We love peppermints | 12. I said It is funny |