

Y2 Story Writing: Traditional Story

The Gingerbread Man



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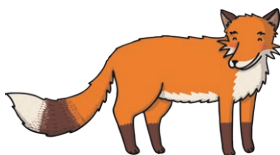
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The Gingerbread Man ran until he came to a small, ginger cat. The hungry cat licked her lips but the Gingerbread Man just laughed. "Run, run as fast as you can! You can't catch me I'm the Gingerbread Man!"



The Gingerbread Man ran on until he came to a shaggy dog. The dog licked his lips feeling peckish but once again the Gingerbread Man just laughed. "Run, run as fast as you can! You can't catch me I'm the Gingerbread Man!"

The Gingerbread Man ran on until he came to a hairy, pink pig. The greedy pig licked his lips but again the Gingerbread Man just laughed. "Run, run as fast as you can! You can't catch me I'm the Gingerbread Man!"



The Gingerbread Man ran on but soon he came to a river. How could he get across it? He couldn't swim. Just then a sly fox crept quietly towards the river and offered to take the Gingerbread Man across it on his back.

The Gingerbread Man saw the others coming. He knew that he would be eaten if he did not go with the fox. He jumped onto the fox's bushy tail and off they went. The water was slowly getting deeper. The fox told the Gingerbread Man to climb onto his back so that he didn't get wet.

Soon they were in the deepest part of the river and the water was very high. The clever fox told the Gingerbread Man to jump onto his nose so he didn't get wet. The Gingerbread Man climbed right onto the tip of his shiny, black nose. The fox tipped back his head and the Gingerbread Man flew into the air. The fox quickly opened his mouth and SNAP! What a cunning fox he was!



That was the end of the Gingerbread Man.

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Annotated Genre Features

The Gingerbread Man¹

¹title

²beginning - the character is introduced

³build-up - where the character does something

⁴dilemma - there is a problem

⁵resolution - where the problem is sorted out

⁶ending - where the characters finish off the story

⁷traditional tale story language

⁸repeated parts



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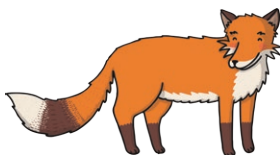
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Annotated Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Features

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¹sentences punctuated with capital letters and full stops

² capital letter for a proper noun

³ commas in a list

⁴ co-ordinating conjunction

⁵ correct form of past and present tense used (including progressive form of the past and present tense)

⁶ expanded noun phrase for description or detail

⁷ suffixes -ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly added correctly to root word

⁸ common exception words

⁹ statement

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¹⁶ command

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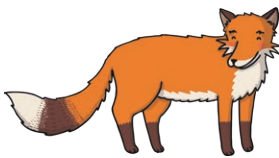
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