

What to do today

IMPORTANT! Parent or Carer – Read this page with your child and check that you are happy with what they have to do and with any weblinks or use of the Internet required.

1. It's reading time

Read the story of *Hansel and Gretel*. Talk to someone about the story and discuss the *Questions about Hansel and Gretel*.

2. Correct capitals

Griselda has written an entry in her diary but, whoops, she has forgotten to use capital letters and full stops properly.

- Read *Griselda's Diary*.
- Put in the full stops where they should be.
- Circle all the letters that should be capital letters.

3. Let's get ready for writing

On *Diary Page Paper*, write out either Hansel or Gretel's diary recounting their adventures in the forest, or the Dad's diary written when the children were away.

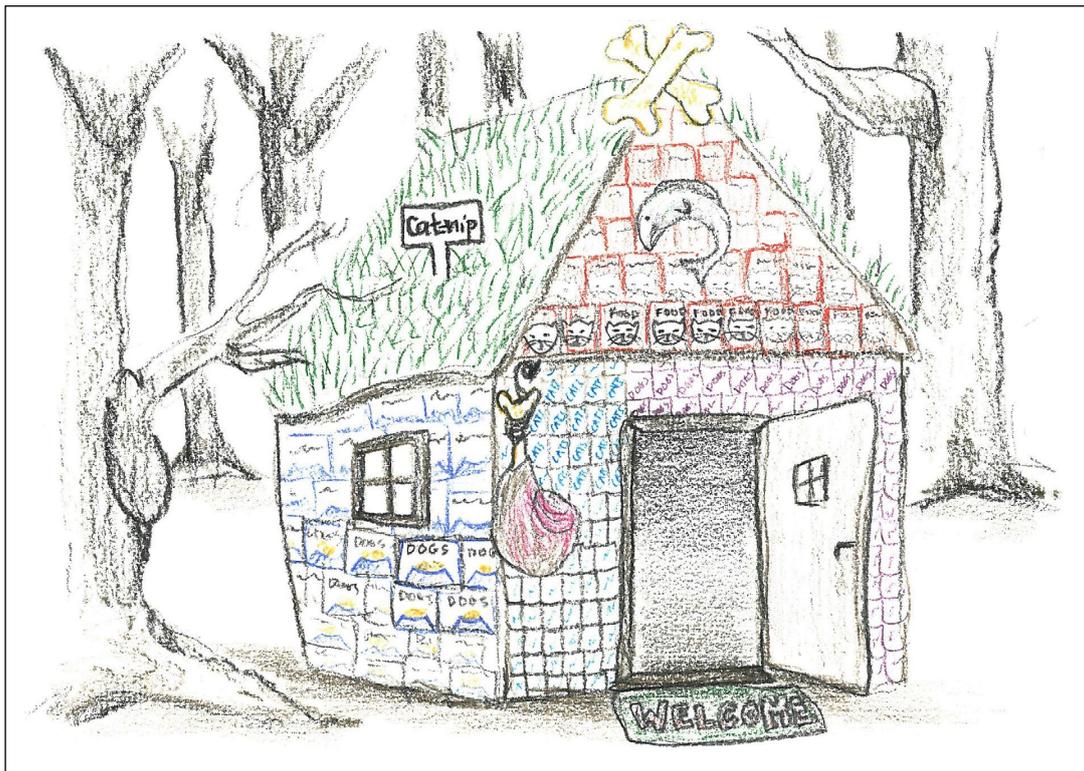
- Make sure you use all the correct language features for diary writing. Look again at the *Checklist* to see what you need to remember.
- Use the conjunctions *because*, *if* and *when* in your diary entry.

Now try these Fun-Time Extras

- What would your ideal 'gingerbread' house be made of? Draw it and then write sentences about it. Use lots of good describing words in your writing (*delicious milk chocolate*, *bright red chewy sweets*, etc.)
- In the story, poor old Hansel is on the menu! What else would a witch like to serve up for a meal? Plan her menu!

Questions about the Story of Hansel and Gretel

- What did you like in the story?
- Was there anything you did not like about the story?
- Was this version of *Hansel and Gretel* different to other versions you know? In what ways?
- What other stories do you know that are a bit like *Hansel and Gretel*?



Griselda's Diary



Thursday, March 26th 2020

Dear Diary,

those two naughty children hansel and gretel have finally gone they went into the woods yesterday and i hope i do not ever see them again their dad is very sad but i am glad to be rid of them maybe that nasty witch who lives in the forest will catch them she lives in a house made of sweets and cake

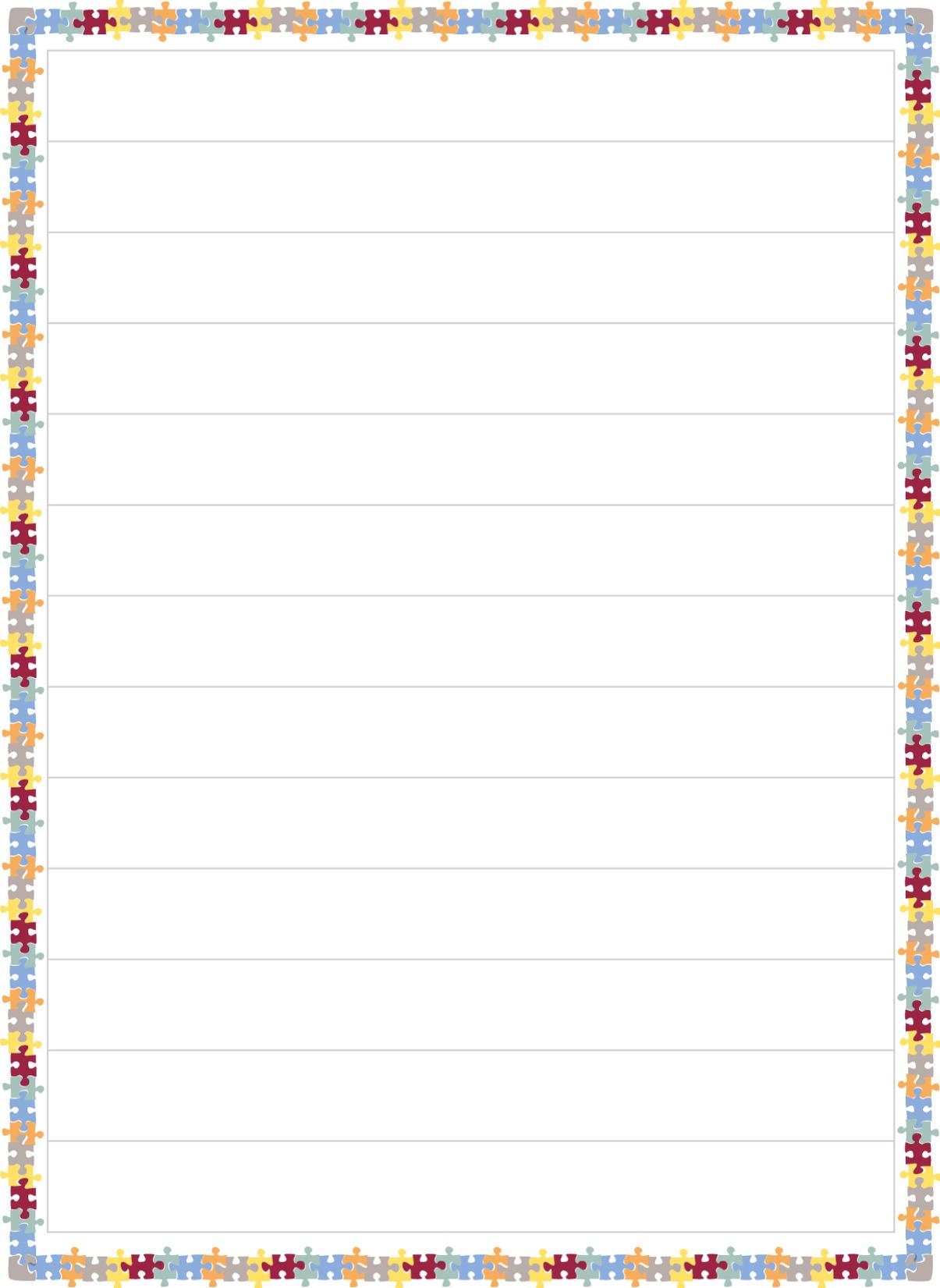
Diary Features Checklist



<u>Writing or Layout Feature</u>	
Written in the first person (<i>I woke up very early, I ate a huge breakfast</i>)	
Written in the past tense , talking about things that have already happened (I went to school this morning, I worked really hard today.)	
Recount events in order (I walked home and then I watched some TV. Later I played a game.)	
Sometimes begin with the line Dear Diary , as if it is being written to an actual person	
Sometimes have the date at the top of the page.	

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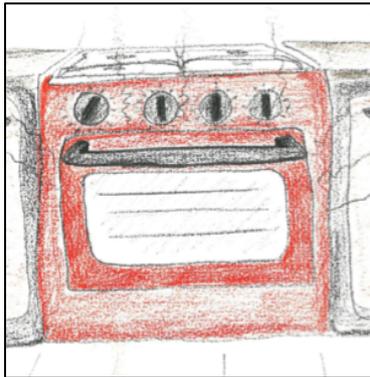
Diary Page Paper



My Ideal Gingerbread House

A rectangular writing area with a decorative border made of colorful puzzle pieces in shades of blue, yellow, red, and grey. The interior of the box contains seven horizontal lines for writing, providing space for a child to describe their gingerbread house.

A Witch's Menu



Starters

Main courses

Puddings. sweets

Drinks
