

Sequencing Paragraphs

Daniel's birthday trip to The Maze was supposed to be fun. He'd been here last summer with his family and had the time of his life. This time it was different. He was definitely lost.

Daniel walked carefully along the dark path. There was a wide opening to his left which he decided to follow. It was getting really cold and he had heard nothing other than his own footsteps for at least an hour.

Daniel saw a turning on the right. He peered down the unlit path and shuddered. Where was everyone? Even if he couldn't find his family, he'd expected to meet other visitors along the way.

Next, he decided to turn around and walk back in the direction he'd come from. He soon realised that it was hopeless. Everything looked the same. He had no idea where he was.

Eventually, he sat on the ground and took some deep breaths. He knew he needed to stay calm but it was getting more and more difficult.

Suddenly, a horrible scream broke the silence.

"Mum?" Daniel yelled.

1. Write three fronted adverbials used to sequence the paragraphs.

2. True or false? The text would still make sense if paragraphs 5 and 6 swapped positions.

3. Which paragraph could start with the fronted adverbial 'Just then'?

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4. Where could the paragraph below be placed in the text?

The sun was starting to set and Daniel was beginning to panic. What if there was no way out? What if he had gone in too deep and he would never find his way to the exit? He was sure about one thing. If he did make it out, he was never coming here again.

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Pog steered his spacecraft towards the forest. After finding the strange blue and green planet on his journey around the universe, he couldn't wait to explore.

He landed carefully, opened the door and made his way slowly down the ladders. Looking all around him, he couldn't believe his eyes. It was nothing like his home planet of Klimzung.

He looked down at the flowers and picked off some petals. Bringing them up to his face, he sniffed and pollen shot up his nose. He sneezed loudly and a flock of birds suddenly flew out of their nests and away into the bright sky.

He looked up at the trees and admired the green leaves. He had never seen anything like this in his life. He hoped he could bring his family here some day.

Suddenly, he heard a loud noise behind him. Then, he heard voices speaking a strange language. His body froze.

5. Write the next paragraph to continue the story. Use the fronted adverbial 'Just then' to start your paragraph.

6. Kyra swaps paragraphs 3 and 4. Does the text still make sense? Convince me.

7. Marvin says,



I could add the fronted adverbial 'Firstly' to the first sentence in paragraph 4.

Is he correct? Explain why.