

Wb 22.6.2020.

LO: To write a diary entry.

Describe the places where the events happened	Written in the past tense	Talk about feelings, reactions and opinions
Use time conjunctions to show when things happened... next, then, meanwhile	Use adventurous vocabulary for description	Written in the first person... I, me, mine, my
Use paragraphs to organise events	Use a dictionary to check your spellings, and a thesaurus to choose exciting word choices.	

This week you are going to write a diary entry. You will put yourself in Tom's shoes and describe a visit to one of the countries he went to. The author, Alastair Humphreys, doesn't use much description of the countries in his book, so you are going to have to do some research to be able to describe your chosen country in more detail. We have given you some examples that you can use, or you can do your own research.

Monday: Think about all the places that Tom has visited in Europe so far. France, Germany, Austria, Slovakia, Hungary, Serbia, Romania and Bulgaria. You will need to research one of these countries so that you can write a diary entry about your visit there. Or you can use one of the given information sheets. Your first job is to make notes on that country. What sort of food would Tom eat there? What does the landscape look like? You could find out if there are any rivers or mountains there. What places of interest could he visit? Be sure to make really good notes so that when you write your sentences later you have lots of information to write about.

Tuesday: Find your chosen country on a map. Write down where it is located. Does it have a sea? What other countries does it border? Is it in the North or South of Europe? How far away is it from England? You will be writing a paragraph about its location so make sure you know exactly where it is in the world.

Wednesday: Write your first paragraph today. Explain where you are in the world. Describe how you got there. What countries have you travelled through so far? Use your notes from yesterday to describe where in the world your chosen country is. How are you feeling? Your legs must be exhausted from all that cycling!

Thursday: Now you need to use your imagination and pretend that you have been for a tour of your chosen country. Use the research you found on Monday to write a detailed description of what you did. Where did you go? What did you see? What did you eat? Use interesting adjectives to describe the scenery and locality.

Friday: Finish off your diary entry making sure you have added lots of detail.

EXT: If you are feeling particularly whizzy, you could always write a couple of paragraphs on two different countries that Tom has visited.