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# INVESTIGATING EXPOSITION

Smudge shared that a story's beginning, or exposition, tells the reader WHO did WHAT and WHY. Without these key components, the story can be confusing! Create 5 new exposition statements with these ingredients:

## WHO

Brave explorer	Confused ostrich
Intrepid scientist	Smiling chef
Wild robot	Happy Smudge
Timid student	Fearless pirate
Lazy sloth	Lonesome prince
Huge bear	Sleepy dragon
Dancing zebra	Chaotic monkey

## WHAT

Builds a house	Writes a letter
Packs a backpack	Opens the mailbox
Draws a castle	Goes to the library
Goes for a walk	Finds a book
Decides to investigate	Hides in a cave
Tries to see	Digs a hole
Runs outside	Builds a time machine

## WHY

To find a treasure	To see the future	To discover a secret
To make new friends	To look at the stars	To surprise the teacher
To hide a trunk	To have an adventure	To create some chaos
To learn magic	To explore the tunnel	To have some fun
To find a new world	To watch the bear	To see what happens

**Exposition #1** \_\_\_\_\_

**Exposition #2** \_\_\_\_\_

**Exposition #3** \_\_\_\_\_

**Exposition #4** \_\_\_\_\_

**Exposition #5** \_\_\_\_\_

This is a worksheet for writing an opening paragraph. It features a large central area with horizontal lines for writing, surrounded by a decorative border of cartoon characters. The text at the top reads: "Choose one of the expositions you created, add a few more details, and write the opening paragraph of a new story with that idea." The cartoon characters are simple line drawings of people with large heads and small bodies, some holding books or papers. The entire page is framed by a dotted line.