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Date: _____



STORY STARTER

Choose one of the story starters to write a new adventure for Smudge.

Smudge found an old box labeled "Valentine Adventures" in the closet, covered in pink dust and glitter. The writing was old and the box smelled like cookies. Inside was a pair of heart-shaped glasses and a note that said, "Put these on when you're ready." Smudge hesitated, then slipped them on as the room began to shimmer...

On February 2, Smudge hurried to find out if the groundhog, Punxsutawney Phil, saw his shadow and predicted 6 more weeks of winter. When the groundhog finally appeared, he was wearing a tiny backpack. Smudge blinked twice, and Phil waved his paws at Smudge. "We have to hurry! Someone stole my shadow and now winter may never end..."

Challenge Time: What problem, challenge, or conflict will Smudge need to figure out? Describe the conflict!

Problem Solved: How do they solve the conflict or complete the challenge?

The image shows a worksheet titled "Tell Your Tale" designed for a child to write a story for a character named Smudge. The title is in a bold, black, sans-serif font at the top left. Below it, a line of text reads "Use the space below to write your new story for Smudge". The main body of the worksheet is a large rectangular area with 20 horizontal lines for writing. The page is decorated with cartoon characters: a girl with a pencil at the top left, a boy with a pencil at the top right, a girl with a pencil on the left side, a boy with a pencil on the right side, and a girl with a pencil at the bottom right. At the bottom center, there is a small logo that says "Alan's" with a small figure of a person.