

Story Strip

Focus: Story Sequence

Genres: Fiction, Folktales

Objective: To show the order of events in a story

Demonstration Story: *Henny Penny*

Graphic Organizer: Story Strip, page 3-5

Comprehension Skills:

- Sequencing events
- Retelling
- Recalling details
- Visualizing

Name Kevin Story Strip

Title Henny - Penny

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Introducing the Graphic Organizer

The Story Strip graphic organizer is similar to the Story Path one, but the Story Strip graphic organizer allows children to recall more detail. To introduce the Story Strip graphic organizer, tell or read a familiar story such as *Henny Penny*. Display a transparency of the Story Strip graphic organizer on an overhead projector.

- 1.** Explain to children that you want to draw pictures to show what happens in the story. Show children where you will draw the first picture, the second picture, the third picture, and so on, going across a row and then down to the next row.
- 2.** To help children understand, remind them of how comic strips tell a story in pictures. Show them a comic strip, and explain how to read it. Point out how the artist uses speech balloons to indicate what the characters are saying.
- 3.** Hand out copies of the graphic organizer, and have children retell the story by drawing pictures in the boxes. They can use speech balloons for dialog.

Using the Graphic Organizer

Make copies of the graphic organizer available, and invite children to draw pictures to retell stories they read on their own. Children do not have to use all the frames if they can explain the whole story in fewer frames.

Extending the Learning

Children may wish to use the Story Strips to plan their own stories.

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