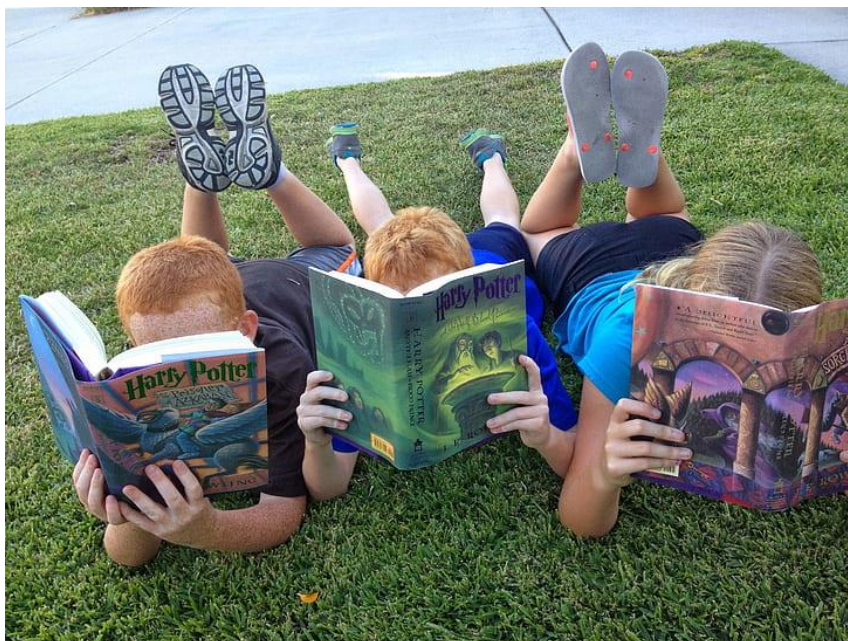


Write a recipe for a magic potion



“Eye of newt, and toe of frog, wool of bat, and tongue of dog, adder's fork,
and blind-worm's sting, lizard's leg, and howlet's wing...”

– from Macbeth by William Shakespeare

Make your own recipe for a magic witches or wizards potion. You can fill in the blanks below or make up your own recipe using the cauldron template.

You can throw in things like toenail clippings and bogeys, or something you can't see or touch, like rainy Mondays, the sound of a knife scraping a plate, or that feeling when you want to sneeze but can't.

Think about what effect your magic potion will have. Will it make you fly? Will it grant animals the ability to talk? If you want to take this activity further you could write a story about what happens when you drink the potion.

My Magic Potion

Ingredients

2 handfuls of _____

1 cup of _____

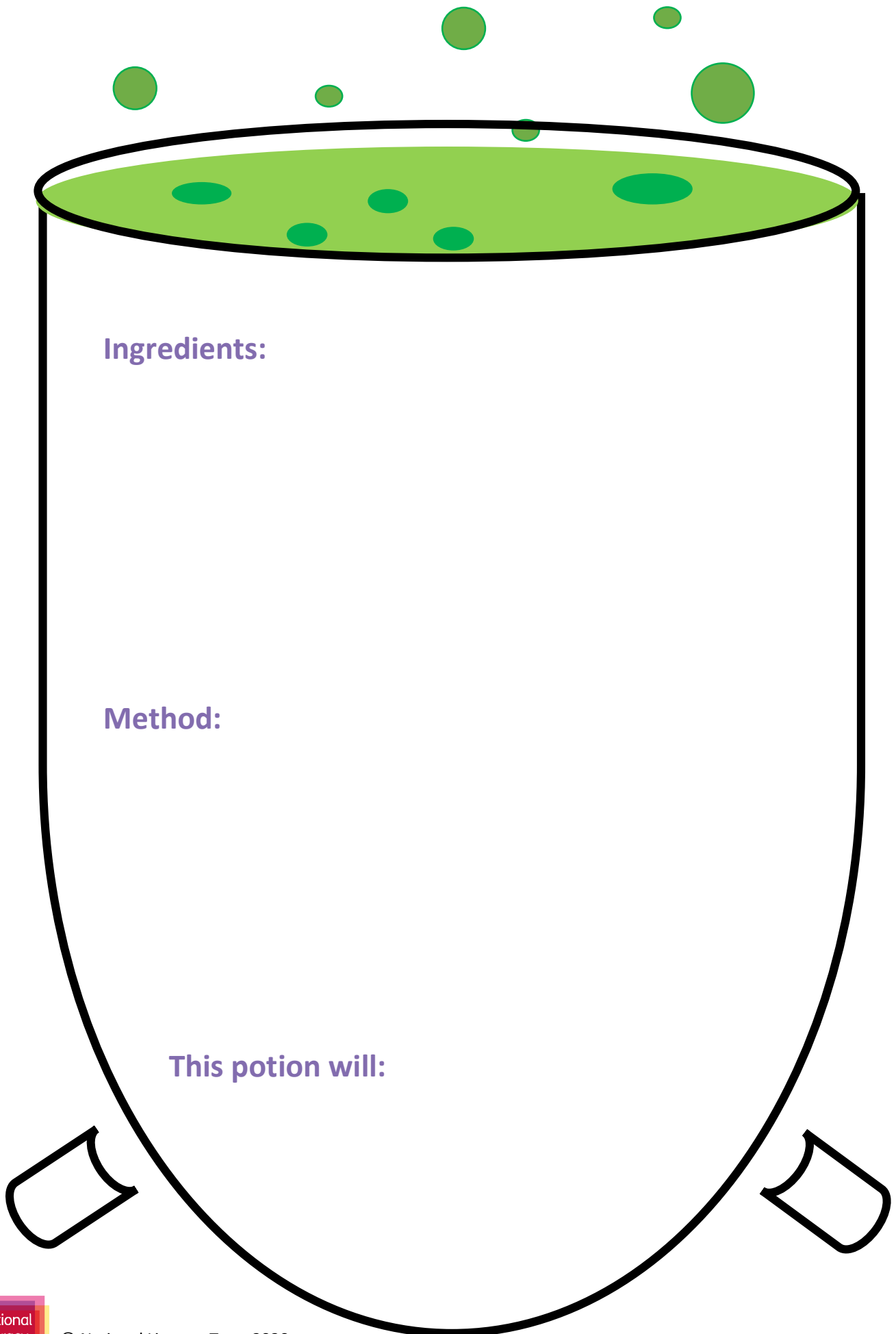
7 drops of _____

3 tbs (tablespoons) of _____

Method

1. Mix together _____ and _____ and pour into your cauldron.
2. Add the _____ and stir.
3. Throw in the _____
4. Hubble bubble until _____
5. Say the magic words: _____
6. Serve with a generous pinch of _____

This potion will:



Ingredients:

Method:

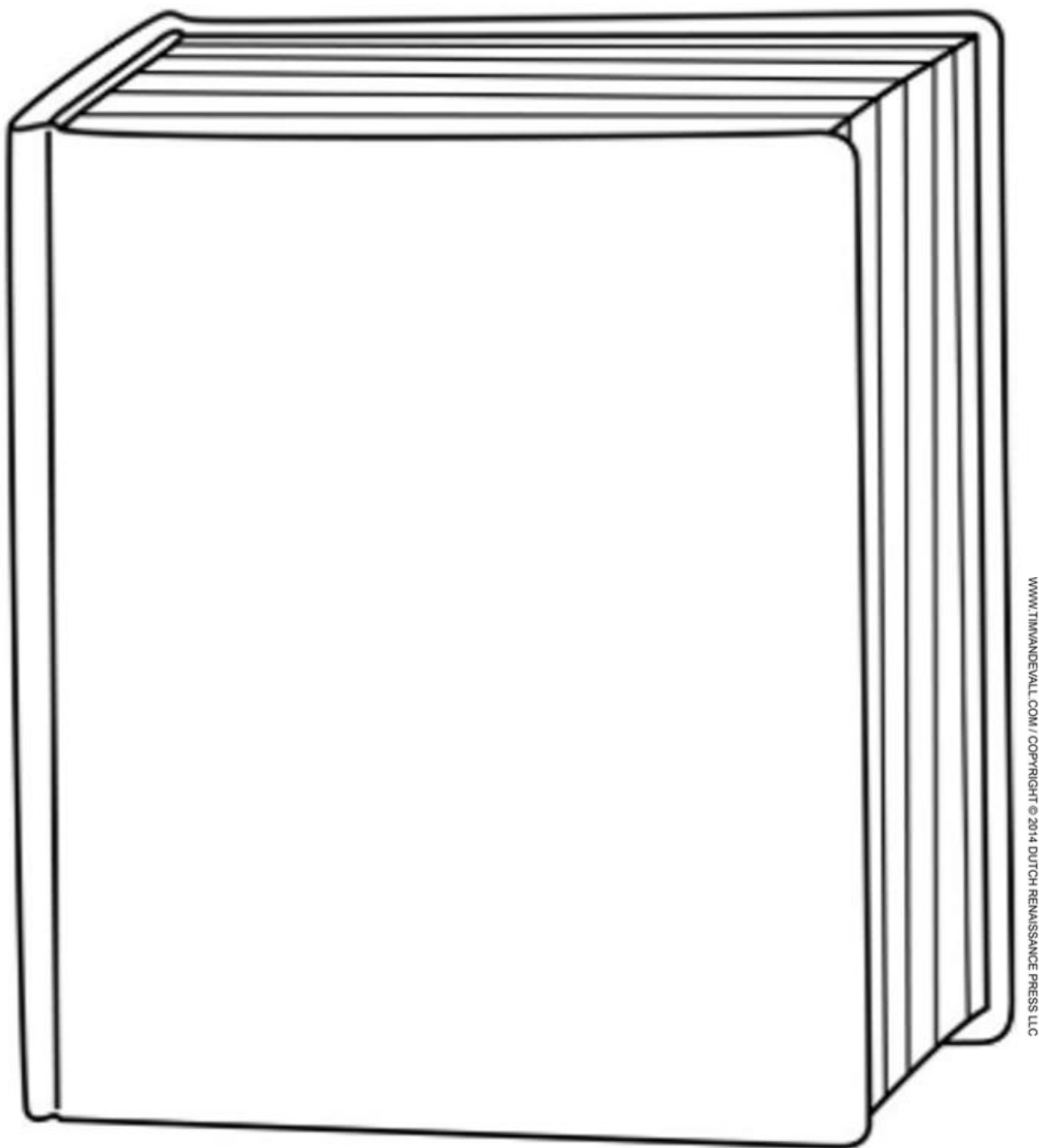
This potion will:



Make a book cover

Imagine a story about your life: it could be about your pet cat, your Nan or your favourite food! What would the front cover look like?

1. Create a **book title**. Be as imaginative as you like! Eg. Flight of the Space Pizzas
2. What kind of story is it- funny, happy, spooky or magical?
What **cover image** will you draw to show this? What **colours** will you use to show this?
3. Make sure you include the name of the **author** (you).



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Short description of your story
(the 'blurb').....

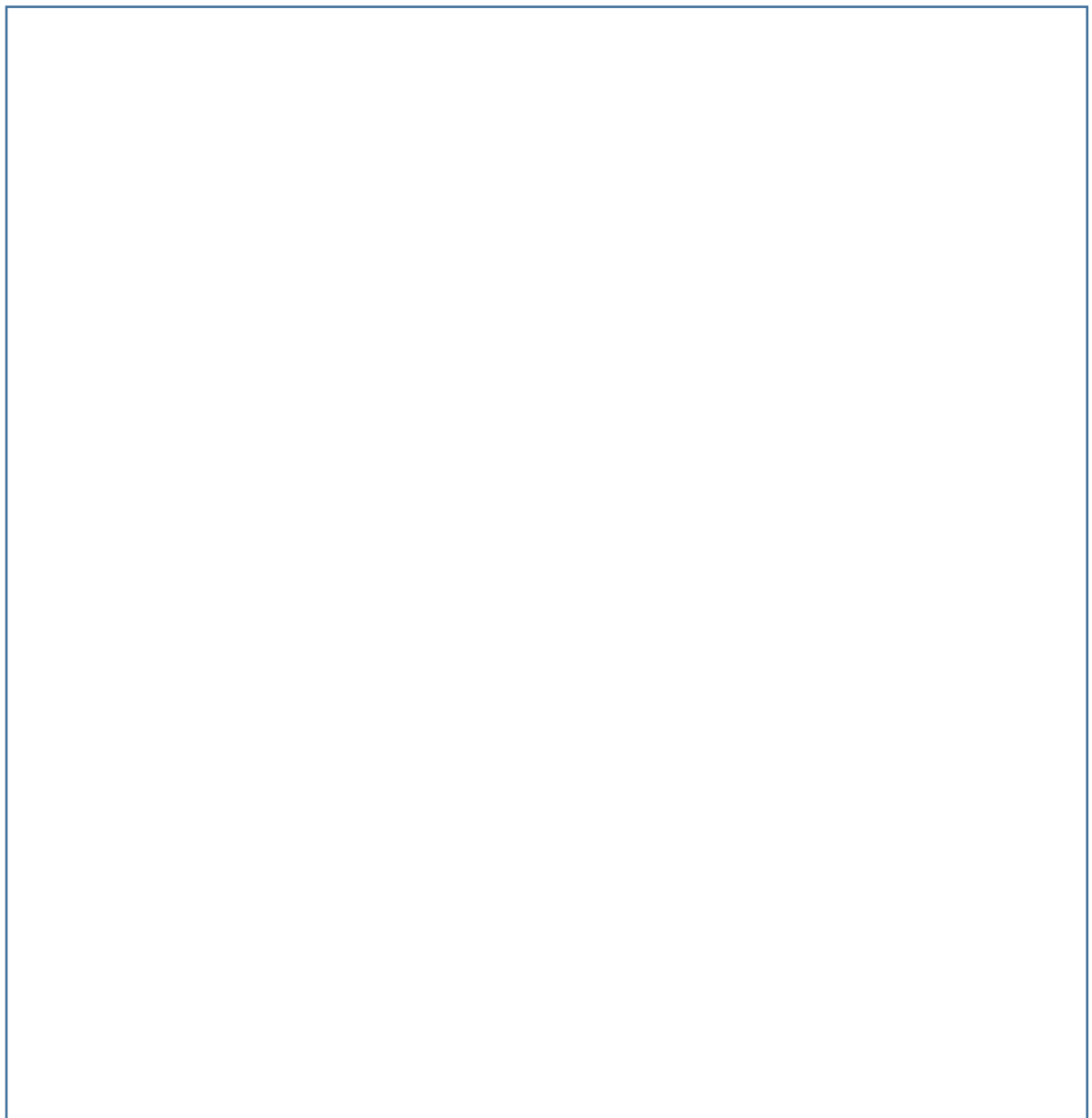
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The Book Olympics

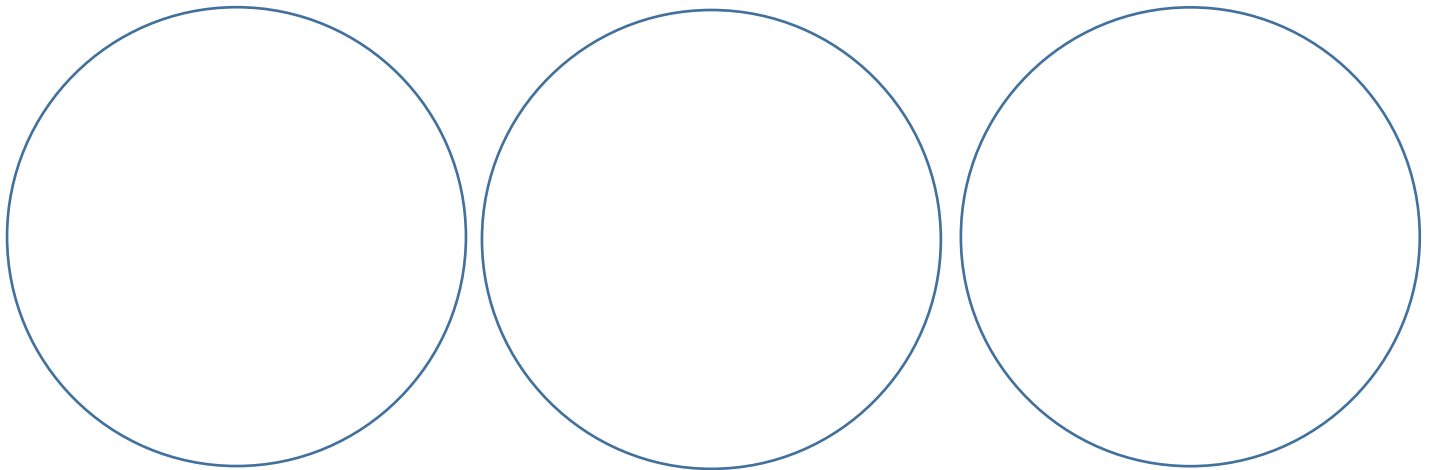
Step 1: Design and cut out your team flag

Turn this page around so it is landscape, then create a flag in the box below to represent your team at the Book Olympics!

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin blue border, intended for the user to design and draw their team flag.

Step 2: Create your medals:

Using cardboard (such as from an old cereal box), cut out some circles. To make it easier, you could stick this piece of paper to the card, and cut out the circles below.



Wrap your circle of card in tin foil. Then, using a hole punch, make a hole in each medal and then thread through a ribbon. Tie the ends of the ribbon together to complete your medal.



Finally, use different colour marker pens to design your medal.



Step 3: The Events

You are now ready to begin your events. At the end of each event, make sure you host your own podium ceremony and award medals. You could even play your favourite song as your anthem and wave your team flag to celebrate your win! You will need:

- A stopwatch
- A pen
- A piece of paper
- A book
- Some music

Event 1: The Book Sprint

Taking it in turns, balance a book on your head and race from one end of a room to the other and back again. You must touch the wall at both ends of the room. The person to do it fastest, without the book falling from their head, wins.

Event 2: The Triathlon

Pick a sentence from a book. The challenge is to write that sentence in the fastest possible time. The sentence must be clear enough for someone in your home to read it.

Now who is the fastest writing with their other hand. Again, it must be possible for someone in your home to read it.

Finally, try writing with a pen between your toes!

Event 3: The Closing Ceremony

Read a page of your book out loud whilst dancing. The most unusual dance wins! Get someone in your house, or perhaps a friend or relative on a video call, to judge the winner.

Now create your own Book Olympic events.



Young Writers' Story Starter 4

You have been asked to plan the Queen's birthday party.

To get started:

- Who do you invite?
- What fun things are there to do?
- What could go wrong?

Make sure to check:

- ✓ Capital letters and full stops
- ✓ Your spelling in a dictionary
- ✓ You use heading for each part of the plan

Start your story here!

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Young Writers' Story Starter 7

You are a famous author and a spaceship has landed by your house. Interview the alien that comes out of the ship and write a story about it.

To get started:

- What questions will you will ask?
- How you make the interview interesting to the reader?
- Make sure to include a quote from the alien or picture to go along with the story.

Make sure to check:

- ✓ Capital letters and full stops
- ✓ That every sentence makes sense
- ✓ If you have written in only first or third person

Start your story here!

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