



# KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER: YEAR 2 - *Diary entries*

To write about events that have happened

*What should I already know before writing a diary entry?*

- I know how to write in chronological order
- I know how to use time adverbials in my writing
- I can write simple sentences with punctuation

PURPOSE: *To Entertain*

To use emotive language, thoughts, feelings

To write with detail and description

## Important Vocabulary

Term	Examples/Definition
Date and introduction	1 <sup>st</sup> December 1955 <i>Today, I refused to relinquish my seat on the bus.</i>
Time adverbials	<i>firstly, secondly, next, after, then, later, finally</i>
First person	<i>I, my, me, we, our</i>
Past tense	<i>I walked slowly through the bus.</i>
Emotive language	<i>I walked slowly through the bus with trepidation.</i>
Conjunctions	<i>and, so, but, because, or</i> <i>I felt dejected because my protests were seemingly unheard.</i>
Punctuation	? ! .

## WAGOLL (*what a good one looks like*)

1<sup>st</sup> December 1955

Dear Diary,

Today has probably been the most important day of my life. Firstly, I was on my way home after a long day at work. I was exhausted. There were a few seats left on the bus and I thankfully sat down but then some white people came on the bus. There weren't any seats left for them and I refused to relinquish my seat. Why? I was tired of the unfair segregation laws.

## Diary entry checklist

Date and introduction for each entry

Chronological order

First person (I, my, me, we, our)

Past tense

Time adverbials (*firstly, secondly, next, after, then, later, finally*)

Paragraphs

Observations, thoughts and feelings

Detail and description

Emotive language

Know how to improve my own and my partner's writing focusing on sentences, grammar, punctuation, vocabulary and spelling:

1. Work with a partner or adult.
2. Partner A and Partner B read each other's diary entries with intonation and explain how to improve each other's work.
3. Use a green pen to make changes

Where else might I see diary entries?

- fiction and non-fiction books
- magazines
- journals

