

Hooks, Hooks, Hooks!

Directions: Remember, a **hook** is an exciting opening sentence that makes your reader want to keep reading. Look at the two examples of hooks, and practice writing two different hooks for your story. After you have written two options, decide which is more exciting, and add it to the draft of your imagined history of your new school.

Action/Dialogue: This happens when the author starts at a moment in which there is a lot of action, excitement, and tension

Example: With one last step, the prisoner reached the end of the plank. Taking a deep breath, she took one more step forward, and her foot felt only air. Splash! The prisoner fell into the water.

Try to write an ACTION hook for your story:

Description: This happens when the author starts with a vivid description of the setting or a person so that the reader can imagine what is happening in the scene

Example: Mrs. Blue has hair that stands up in a crown around her head. The ends of her head are dyed purple, and when she gets angry, the curls bob up and down with each shake of her head. She often yells into the darkness around her, and has long conversations with her pet kangaroo.

Try to write a DESCRIPTION hook for your story: