

A Day to Remember

Fleydo English School • Teens • A2 • Reading • 30 min

Lesson Objectives

- Read a past narrative story
- Use time linkers to order events
- Describe feelings in stories
- Understand story structure
- Write about a memorable day

Part 1: Reading — The Day Everything Went Wrong

Rosa, 13: It was a Tuesday in November. My alarm didn't go off and I woke up forty-five minutes late. I jumped out of bed, grabbed my bag, and ran downstairs. No time for breakfast! Mum drove me but we sat in a traffic jam. I arrived twenty minutes late. I felt really embarrassed.

Then things got worse. I had the wrong books — I left my Maths textbook at home. I had to share with Luca. After that, it started raining heavily. I forgot my coat in the rush and got completely soaked.

At lunch, I bought a sandwich and sat down. Suddenly, I knocked over my water bottle — water went everywhere! Some people laughed. I wanted to disappear.

But then something amazing happened. In English, Mrs Robinson gave back our essays. She said, 'Rosa, your story was brilliant — the best in the whole year group!' Everyone clapped. I felt so proud!

Later, I told my family. Dad said, 'Sometimes the worst days have the best surprises.' He was right. I'll never forget that Tuesday.

Part 2: Comprehension

1. Why was Rosa late? (Alarm didn't go off + traffic jam.)
2. What did she forget? (Maths textbook + coat.)
3. What happened at lunch? (Knocked over water bottle.)
4. What good news? (Essay was the best in the year.)
5. How did she feel at the end? (Proud and happy.)
6. What did Dad say? (Worst days have best surprises.)

Part 3: Vocabulary

Actions: jump out of bed, grab, traffic jam, share with, knock over, get soaked, stare at

Feelings: panicked, embarrassed, frustrated, shocked, relieved, proud

Part 4: Grammar

Time Linkers for Narratives

First (start) → Then / Next → After that → Suddenly (unexpected) → But then (turning point) → Later → Finally / In the end

Story Structure

Setting (when/where) → Problem (what went wrong) → Events (what happened) → Turning point (change) → Ending + feelings

Feelings in Stories

I felt embarrassed / proud / panicked. I was shocked / relieved.

had to = past of must: I had to share with Luca.

Part 5: Quiz

1. Which linker = unexpected?

a) Then b) After that c) Suddenly d) First

2. I ___ out of bed and ___ my bag.

a) jumped, grabbed b) jump, grab c) jumped, grabed d) jumpped, grabbed

3. How did Rosa feel when they stared?

a) Proud b) Embarrassed c) Excited d) Relieved

4. I ___ share with Luca. (past must)

a) must b) had to c) have to d) musted

5. '___ something amazing happened.'

a) First b) After that c) But then d) Finally

6. What was the surprise?

a) Found her coat b) New phone c) Best essay d) Won competition


Part 6: Fill in the Blanks

Linkers: First | Then | After that | Suddenly | But then | Finally | Later | In the end

1. _____, my alarm didn't go off.
2. _____, things got worse.
3. _____, it started raining.
4. _____, I knocked over my water.
5. _____ something amazing happened.
6. Mrs Robinson said my essay was the best. _____, everyone clapped.
7. _____ that evening, I told my family.
8. _____, it was a day I'll never forget.

Part 7: Speaking & Writing

- Have you had a day when everything went wrong?
- What is the most embarrassing thing at school?
- Did something bad ever turn into something good?

 Write About a Day You Remember 10-14 sentences. Use: Setting → Problem → Events → Turning point → Ending. Include 5+ time linkers and 3+ feeling adjectives. Start: "It was a... in..."

Review Checklist

- I can understand a past narrative.
- I can use time linkers to order events.
- I can describe feelings: embarrassed, proud, panicked.
- I can use "had to" as past of "must".
- I can structure a story with a turning point.
- I can write about a memorable day.

Well done! You completed Lesson 4: A Day to Remember!

□ Answer Key

Quiz Answers:

1. c) Suddenly
2. a) jumped, grabbed
3. b) Embarrassed
4. b) had to
5. c) But then
6. c) Best essay

Fill in the Blanks Answers:

1. First
2. Then
3. After that
4. Suddenly
5. But then
6. Finally
7. Later
8. In the end