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### ***Story Marker***

A story marker is a visual representation of the elements of a short story. It can be used in the classroom to support retelling a story. After reading a story together, ask the students to retell the story, using the parts of the story marker as a visual reminder of the important parts of the story. You can create your own story marker from craft materials, or cut shapes out of coloured paper to make a display on the classroom wall. A story marker can also be used to organize a student's thoughts in the pre-writing stage of composing a narrative.



The parts of the story marker are as follows:

***Character***

***Setting***

***Kick-off (initiating event)***

***The characters' feelings about that event***

***Next, ....***

***Then, ...***

***After that, ....***

***Resolution***

***Characters' feelings at the end of the story***

\*these elements can be adapted to suit your classroom's needs