

## WRITING A DIARY entry

### Success Criteria for a diary:

- Includes “**Dear diary**” (or name)
- **1<sup>st</sup> person** (singular or plural – **I / We**)
- **Past simple** verbs
- Introduction to set the **scene**
- **Opinions, thoughts, feelings**
- Time conjunctions (**first, next, then, after that, finally**)
- Events that are/were **important to the writer (student)**

### Read examples A and B

#### A.

13th December 2017

Dear Diary,

Yesterday was truly the worst. Not only my day began with **stale cereal**<sup>1</sup>, but also the milk expired.

**To make matters worse**<sup>2</sup>, the bus broke down and I missed my first class. I even forgot it was test day! I think I failed. **I'm afraid of**<sup>3</sup> what my parents will think. I just wanted **to hide**<sup>4</sup> in a dark corner.

I hope tomorrow will be different but, knowing my luck, it probably won't be.

See you tomorrow.

Sad and depressed,

Sam

Vocabulary: <sup>1</sup> cereais com mofo / não frescos <sup>2</sup> Para piorar as coisas... <sup>3</sup> tenho medo do <sup>4</sup> esconder

#### B.

Dear Ted,

Today I'm writing about my first school trip!

On Thursday 10th October I **went** on another great adventure and I **saw** a very wide river this time. Mrs Johnson, my English teacher, **took** me to Liverpool, and we **drove** through a tunnel under the River Mersey; I thought it **was** very exciting and not at all scary.

As soon as we **arrived**, we **had** a quick snack in front of a huge building, but I can't remember what it **was** called. Does anybody know what it might have been? There's a photo of Ella and me in front of it, if that helps.



On our walk to the Dock, we **saw** a ferry and a big wheel just like the *London Eye*, only much smaller. Some children **thought** it was the *London Eye*, so Mrs Johnson said she needs to do some more geography with them! When we **arrived** at the theatre, the fun really **started**, and I **learnt** so much!

I **had** the best day ever and I do hope I'm asked to go on another school trip soon.

I'm tired now.

Sweet dreams, Meg