

Smelly Socks and Terrible Tangles

Write your
own story



Why not write your own 'creature under the bed' story...

Yan finds the sock eater beneath his bed, but what will your character find?

1. Create a character - will you have a boy or a girl?

My character is a _____ called _____

What does your boy or girl find? (A made up creature will be interesting but they could find a more normal creature that has something special about them)

They find a _____

2. Where do they find the creature?

(Think of the places in your house or school where a creature could be found - the shed, the attic, or somewhere else).

They find it _____

3. What will your character do next?

(Think what you would you do? Would you tell your parents? Your brother or sister, your friend, your teacher?)

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4. Creatures and pets can cause problems and get into mischief. This could help make your story more interesting.

What does your creature do?

5. How will your story end?

(It's good to have an idea about what will happen at the very end of the story. This help you to know where you are going with it. A story is like a journey - it starts in one place and ends in another.

Perhaps your character will be able to keep the creature as a pet - or perhaps something else will happen?

6. Lots of other things could happen in your story - it up to you. Just have fun with it.



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