



Lesreeks 6 : Leef gesond

Skryf en aanbied: Write a narrative essay

This activity
should take you:

± 1 hour and 40
minutes

You will need your:

- Afrikaans textbook,
- Afrikaans class work book,
- A dictionary, and
- Stationery

Instructions:

- 1) You have to write a narrative essay of 130 – 180 words in your class work book.
NOTE: A narrative essay should tell a story. The following key components must be included in your essay:
 - *A gripping introduction
 - *The plot (the main parts of the story)
 - *Relevant characters (Characters should be limited in number and thoughtfully described)
 - *The setting
 - *The climax and
 - *The conclusion
- 2) Choose one of the following topics:
 - Die dag toe my oupa siek geword het. (*The day my grandfather became ill*)
 - Die dag toe my ma besluit het ons moet gesond eet. (*The day my mom decided we should eat healthy*)
- 3) Think carefully on how you're going to tell the story in an interesting way.
- 4) Follow the steps of the writing process:
 - **PLANNING:** Plan your essay so that it consists of three parts; an introduction, middle and conclusion. Make a list of the words which you want to use in your essay.
Remember: We DO NOT write in full sentences when doing the planning. Only key words are written. You're allowed to draw up a mind map/spider diagram.
 - **WRITE A DRAFT:** Use your planning and write the first draft of your essay.
Keep your story in mind while writing the draft.
Each paragraph must have a core sentence and a supportive thought.
Paragraphs should follow logically.
Every now and then you should let your characters speak directly to one another. (However DO NOT overuse direct speech)
Use the correct conjunctions when combining sentences.
Remember to vary the length of your sentences.
 - **REVISE:** Edit your first draft using an orange pen/pencil.
Use your dictionary to check your spelling.
Make sure you've used the correct punctuation and word order. Follow the link for an explanation on how to use the STOMPI method in Afrikaans: <https://youtu.be/ilgiQsGenQI>
Make sure your essay has a title.

Count your words. Make sure you didn't write less than 130 or more than 180 words. (I usually allow you to write 10 less than the minimum or 10 more than the maximum required words.)

Proofread your essay – make sure it's correct and neat.

- **FINAL WORK:** Now you're ready to neatly write your final essay.