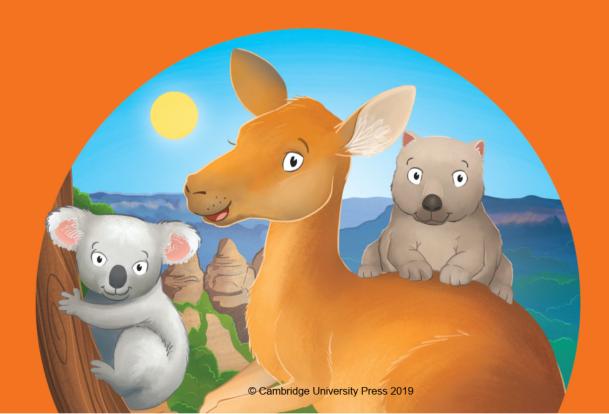


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Teacher guided writing Let's practise	Independent writing Let's write	Resource sheets
Imagining you are Abi and writing her autobiography	Writing your autobiography	Possessive adjectivesRelative pronouns
Writing an advice and guidance sheet for how to research and write a short biography	Writing advice and guidance about how to organise a birthday party	 Modal verbs Second person pronouns and possessive adjectives
Writing a happy ending	Writing a surprise ending	Past tensesDialogue
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Creating a chart showing some of the firsts in space exploration	Creating a chart about a famous explorer	Completing a chart		
Writing a play script based on an extract from Alice's Adventures in Wonderland [the Hatter's tea party]	Writing a play script based on an extract from a story you know well	Dialogue and stage directions		
Writing a formal letter from the mayor to Mrs Gayle	Writing a formal letter to the mayor about a problem in your town	Formal letter template		
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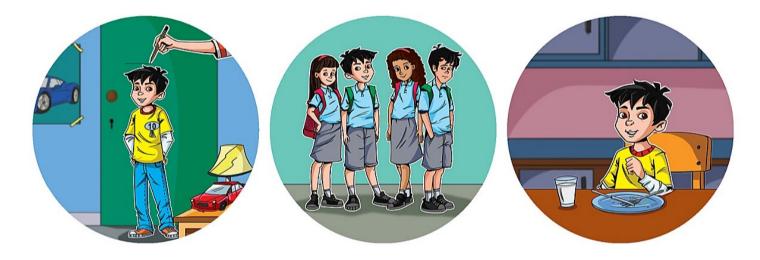
Personal writing: autobiography

An autobiography is when a person writes about his or her own life.

Let's read

All About Kunal

My name is Kunal Lal and I am ten years old. I have black hair and brown eyes. Mum and Dad measure how tall I am every birthday. I think it is a great idea. They put a pencil mark on the door. It was my birthday yesterday. I am one metre and ten centimetres tall.



I live with my family in Mumbai. Our house is in the suburbs, away from the crowded city centre. Mum is a doctor and Dad works in a bank. I have two siblings. My brother who is called Adit is eight, and my sister Giva is six. We go to school in Mumbai. I think it's a really friendly school.

I really like food! My favourite food is crispy vegetable pakora, which is delicious. It is cauliflower and onions fried in batter. I also love all sorts of curries. Mum says I have to eat fruit. My favourites are juicy apricots, watermelon and mangos. I don't really like apples but I have to eat them!

Music is always playing in our house. Dad likes sitar music and Mum listens to the Beatles. They were around ages ago! I find Mum and Dad's music a bit boring! I'm into more modern stuff, especially rap music.

I like going to school and being with my friends. Some of the lessons are really interesting. My favourite is history. This term we are learning about explorers. They are people who go to places other people have never been before. They must be so brave! I'm not too keen on music lessons because I haven't got a very good voice.









In my spare time, I play football. I play in goal. I get scared when the ball is flying towards me but I usually manage to stop the goal. I also help Dad with his garden and play difficult computer games.

Dad only lets me play on the computer for half an hour a day when I finish my homework, which I think is unfair! I also like reading. I like reading adventure stories and books about space travel, which I think are fascinating.





Let's talk

A What word is missing from each sentence? Discuss your answers.

- 1 Kunal is ? years old.
- 3 He lives in?
- 5 His sister is called?
- 7 His Dad works in a?
- 9 He does not like?
- 11 His favourite lesson is ?
- 13 The sport he likes playing is?

- 2 He has ? hair and ? eyes.
- 4 His brother is called?
- 6 His Mum is a?
- 8 His favourite food is?
- 10 He likes? music.
- 12 His least favourite lesson is?
- 14 He likes reading? stories.

B Think about Kunal. Discuss your answers.

- 1 Explain why you think Kunal's parents measure him by putting a pencil mark on the door.
- 2 How do you know Kunal is the eldest child in his family?
- 3 Why do you think Kunal's mum says he must eat fruit?
- 4 What does Kunal think about explorers?
- 5 Why does Kunal not like music lessons yet he likes listening to music?
- 6 Why do you think he is only allowed to play on his computer for half an hour each day?

C How is the autobiography written? Discuss your answers.

- 1 Why do you think Kunal uses words such as I, we and our?
- 2 Find three verbs in the autobiography.
 - a What tenses are they written in?
 - **b** Why do you think they are written in these tenses?
- **3** Find a fact in the autobiography.
- 4 Find the adjectives Kunal used to describe:
 - a his hair
- **b** his eyes
- c the city centre.



Let's learn

Pronouns - first person

An autobiography is written in the first person.

It uses the **pronouns I** and **we** because the writer is writing about himself or herself.

I have black hair and brown eyes.

We go to school in Mumbai.



Top Tip

Pronouns are used in place of nouns.

A	Write	these	third	person	sen	tences	in '	the	first	person.
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1 Kunal is ten years old.
2 Kunal and his family live in Mumbai.
3 Kunal and Adit are brothers.
B Use these first person pronouns to write something about yourself:
1 Use I.
2 Use We.