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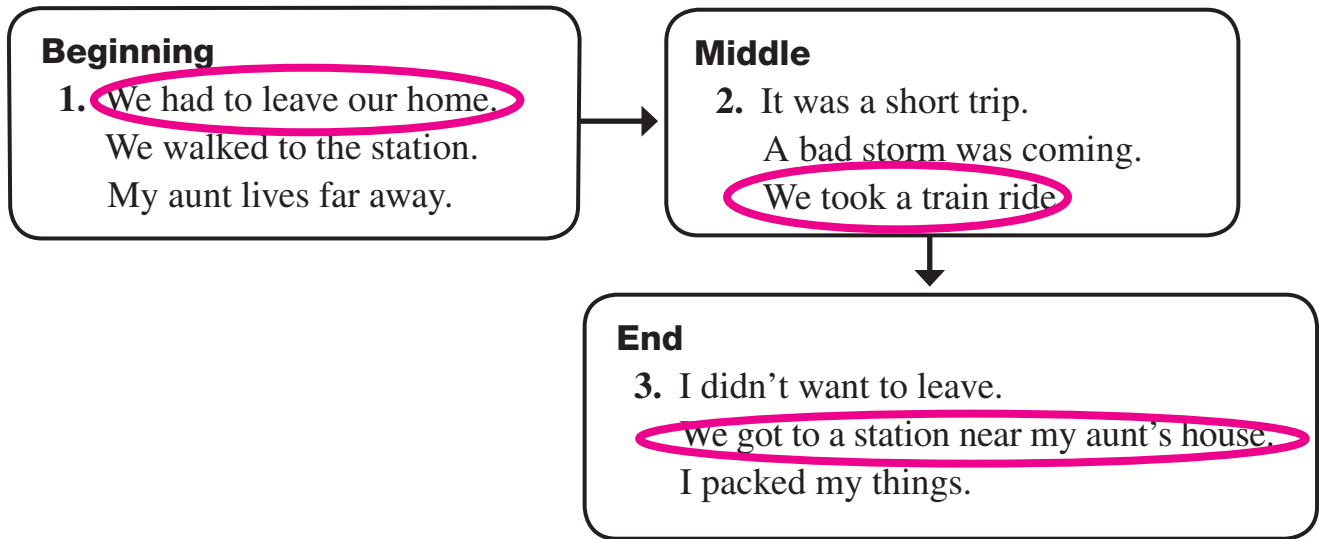
Sequence

- The **sequence** of a story is the order in which events happen.
- **Clue words**, such as *first*, *next*, *then*, and *finally*, are often used to signal the sequence of events. Dates and times can also be clues. Sometimes, no clue words are used at all.

Directions Read the passage and complete the sequence chart below.

This morning Mama ran into my room. She told me that a bad storm was coming and we had to leave home and go to my aunt's house. **T**hen she told me to pack my things. I didn't want to leave, but I did as Mama asked. **N**ext we walked to the train station. We got on the train. I watched as our house got farther and farther away. It seemed like we were on the train forever. **F**inally we arrived at the station near my aunt's house.

Directions Circle the statements that best tell the beginning, middle, and end of the story.



4. Circle clue words in the passage that tell the order of events. Then write them.

This morning, Then, Next, Finally

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Home Activity Your child learned about understanding and recognizing the order of events that happen in a story. Find a short newspaper article about something your child might be interested in. Read the article together and ask your child to tell what happened at the beginning of the article, the middle of the article, and the end of the article.