

## Masterpiece Sentence Steps Instructions and Example

**Step 1:** (WHO DID IT?) **Subject/Noun** phrase

Example: the dragon

**Step 2:** (WHAT DID THEY DO?) **Predicate/Verb** phrase

Example: smelled

\*\* Some verbs require **direct objects** (WHAT DID THEY DO IT TO?) which are **noun phrases**

Example: the flower

**Step 3:** (HOW DID THEY DO IT?) **Adverb**

Example: eagerly

**Step 4:** (WHERE? WHEN?) **Prepositional** phrase

Example: after the rain

**Step 5:** (WHICH ONE? WHAT KIND? HOW MANY?) **Adjective**

Example: kind (the kind DRAGON), glistening (the glistening FLOWER), torrential (the torrential RAIN)

**Step 6:** (DEPENDENT CLAUSE) **Conjunction** and **repeat**

Example: because

**1 (SUBJECT):** she

**2 (PREDICATE):** had escaped the knight

**3 (ADVERB):** cleverly

**4 (PREPOSITION):** earlier that day

**5 (ADJECTIVE):** evil (the evil KNIGHT)

**Step 7:** REVISE

Strengthen or remove words

Example: the dragon      smelled sniffed      the flower rose eagerly  
after the rain      kind gentle      glistening      torrential      because  
she had      escaped the knight      earlier that day      evil treacherous

Try out different arrangements to find your favorites

Example:

~~the gentle dragon sniffed the glistening rose eagerly after the torrential rain because she had escaped the treacherous knight earlier that day~~

~~after the torrential rain the gentle dragon eagerly sniffed the glistening rose because she had escaped the treacherous knight earlier that day~~

~~because she had escaped the treacherous knight earlier that day the gentle dragon eagerly sniffed the glistening rose after the torrential rain~~

~~Eagerly the gentle dragon sniffed the glistening rose after the torrential rain because earlier that day she had escaped the treacherous knight~~

**Step 8:** EDIT

Check for correct spelling, capitalization, grammar, and punctuation.

Example:

Because she had escaped the treacherous knight earlier that day, the gentle dragon eagerly sniffed the glistening rose after the torrential rain.

## **Masterpiece Sentence Steps** **Worksheet**

**Step 1:** (**WHO** DID IT?) **Subject/Noun** phrase..... \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 2:** (WHAT DID THEY **DO**?) **Predicate/Verb** phrase..... \_\_\_\_\_

Some verbs require **direct objects** (WHAT DID THEY DO IT **TO**?) which are **noun phrases**

**Optional! \*\*** \_\_\_\_\_ **\*\* Optional!**

**Step 3:** (**HOW** DID THEY DO IT?) **Adverb**..... \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 4:** (WHERE? WHEN?) **Prepositional** phrase..... \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 5:** (WHICH ONE? WHAT KIND? HOW MANY?) **Adjectives**

☞ Write two-three adjectives for your nouns:

For the **subject** noun in **step 1:** ..... \_\_\_\_\_ (Go back and add it!)

For the **direct object** noun in **step 2 (Optional!):** \_\_\_\_\_ (Go back and add it!)

For the **prepositional phrase** noun in **step 4:** ..... \_\_\_\_\_ (Go back and add it!)

**Step 6:** (DEPENDENT CLAUSE) **Conjunction** and **repeat**

☞ Write a dependent clause for your independent clause above:

**Conjunction:** ..... \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 1** (Subject/noun): ..... \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 2** (Predicate/verb): ..... \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 3** (Adverb): ..... \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 4** (Prepositional phrase): ..... \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 5** (Adjective): ..... \_\_\_\_\_ (Go back and add it!)

**Step 7:** REVISE

☞ Try out three different arrangements and choose your favorite:

Arrangement 1:

Arrangement 2:

Arrangement 3:

☞ Strengthen three words:

\_\_\_\_\_ changed to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ changed to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ changed to \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 8:** EDIT

☞ Check spelling, capitalization, grammar, and punctuation and write your finished sentence: