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Creative Story Challenge (Advanced Writers)

Objective: Write a 10-sentence scene that follows the structure pattern below. The story should feel natural, even though each sentence follows a different writing challenge.

Writing Prompt: It's your character's first day in a new environment (new school, city, camp, planet—your choice).

Sentence 1 – Start with a **Sentence Fragment** (intentional): Use a short, incomplete thought to create tension or mood.

Example: *Alone. Totally alone.*



Sentence 2 – Use **Personification**: Give human qualities to an object or idea.

Example: *The hallway yawned open in front of her.*



Sentence 3 – Use a **Comma for Contrast** (with "but" or "yet"):

Example: *She felt confident, but her hands were shaking.*



Sentence 4 – Choose **one bold word** below to elevate your language.

Word Bank: tentative, unfamiliar, eerie, cautious, overwhelmed

Example: *Unfamiliar with her surroundings, she remained cautious.*



Sentence 5 – Begin with a **Prepositional Phrase**: Start the sentence with a phrase like "Under the table" or "Through the glass."

Example: *Behind the crowd, someone was watching.*



Sentence 6 – Use **Parentheses** to Add a Side Comment:

Example: *She smiled (though she was nervous).*



Sentence 7 – Use a **vivid, specific verb** to show action.

Vivid Verbs List: darted, hesitated, crept, scanned, flinched

Example: *She darted between desks, trying to evade the onlooker.*



Sentence 8 – Insert a sudden realization, change in thought, or detail using an **em-dash** (—).

Example: *She recognized the person—could it be him?*



Sentence 9 – Write a **Complex Sentence (with a dependent clause)**:

Starter Ideas: Even though..., As soon as..., Because..., While...

Example: *Even though she tried to stay calm, her pulse raced.*



Sentence 10 – Use **Parallel Structure** (repeating a pattern): End with a sentence that uses rhythm through repetition of structure.

Example: *She wanted to go, to leave, to get away, but she had to know who this onlooker was.*

