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Three Organized Paragraphs about a Scientific Mishap

Inspired by Dogzilla by Dav Pilkey

Instructions: Today you will be writing a three-paragraph story about the results of an accident in a scientific lab that you will invent in your brain and then capture on paper. First, you will describe the scientific accident happening. Then you will describe a human character entering and discovering the accident. Finally, the accident will surround your character, and your character will be transformed into something new and weird.

The word game on the Dogzilla page at WritingFix will help you come up with the creature whose creation your story will be about. When dog meets Godzilla in a scientific lab, the result is Dogzilla! When Man meets mosquito in a scientific lab, the result is Mansquito. Play the game at WritingFix, or create your own original creature, and write its name in the box below.

Then compose an organized, three-paragraph story about the creation of your creature in a scientific lab. A good paragraph contains many sentences about the same idea, and it makes use of great words. Write your paragraphs in the boxes below, and use the suggestions to help keep your paragraph focused.

My new creature's name:

Manaconda

Rough draft your first paragraph below. Use additional paper if necessary.

Hey! Use some powerful adjectives in this paragraph!

"Wh-what is happening?" I felt the floor shaking violently as I fought to keep my balance. "Not another earthquake!!" I began to panic as I heard several loud crashes. I ran to the lab on shaky legs, while the test tubes filled with their precious liquid, splattered upon the floor. Weird purplish gasses floated up from the floor where the fluids had combined.



Your first paragraph will launch your reader into the action that begins the scientific mishap. In five or six (perhaps more) sentences, you will describe what is happening in the lab as the accident happens. Is the machinery malfunctioning? Are some chemicals reacting badly? Describe the accident.

Rough draft your second paragraph below. Use additional paper if necessary.

Hey! Use some emotion words in this paragraph!

"All my years of work and research on a new anti-aging lotion have been ruined!" "How will I ever be able to meet my deadline now?" I dropped to my knees with my head in my hands, not noticing that some of the animal test subjects had escaped their cages. The mighty anaconda silently slithered up to me through the various chemicals. Startled, I reached over to pick him up, and that's when it happened...

Your second paragraph needs to describe your human character's reaction as he or she discovers the accident happening in the lab.

Rough draft your third paragraph below. Use additional paper if necessary.

Hey! Use some powerful verbs in this paragraph!

"Arrrgh!" The anaconda, frightened by what had happened, bit me on the hand. I pulled away sharply and dropped the snake into a puddle of the steaming purple goo. I looked down to find that some of the goo had splashed onto my snake bite. I instantly began to feel dizzy and nauseous. I shook my head to try lift the fogginess that was engulfing my brain. I felt a creepy tickle in my mouth and opened it. Out shot a long, red forked tongue. Confused, I began to look around at my body. My legs and arms were slowly becoming covered in moist snake scales. I tried to scream, but all that came out was a long hiss. My thoughts were racing! "I-I am becoming a half man/half snake. A manaconda!!"

In your third paragraph, your character will physically encounter the accident that is happening, and he or she react to the encounter. The accident will transform him or her into the new creature. Describe the transformation with details.