## Narrative Paragraph (Longer) <u>Example:</u>

One sunny Saturday, my family and I went to the beach. The beach was crowded with people building sandcastles, playing beach volleyball, and swimming in the cool, blue water. I decided to build the biggest sandcastle ever. I used my red pail and shovel to dig and pile up the sand. My little sister, Lily, helped by collecting seashells to decorate our castle. We even made a moat around it. As we built the sandcastle, a friendly seagull named Sam came to visit us. Sam was white with gray feathers and had bright yellow eyes. He was looking for a snack and must have thought we had some food. We shared our crackers with him, and Sam even danced a little hop to say thank you. It was so much fun! Later, we went for a swim in the ocean. The water was refreshingly cold, and the waves were perfect for riding on my inflatable dolphin float. I felt like a real ocean explorer. In the evening, as the sun started to set, we had a picnic on the beach. We ate sandwiches and fruit and watched the colors of the sky change from blue to pink and orange. It was a magical day at the beach, and I can't wait to go back again.

## This Narrative:

Engaging Start: Interesting openings that describe the setting of what, who and where.

Storytelling: They follow a clear structure with a beginning, middle, and end.

Details: They use descriptive language to paint a picture of the scenes and activities.

Characterization: Introduces a friendly seagull, adding depth to the story.

Emotional Connection: Personal pronouns and emotional expressions help readers connect with the writer's experience.

Varied Sentences: They use different sentence structures to keep the writing engaging.

Satisfying Conclusion: Both paragraphs end with a concluding sentence that wraps up the story.

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