

Dilemma

Who do they meet? How do you try to escape? What problems do they face?

Build-Up

How do they become stranded? What do they do first when they arrive on the island?

Resolution

Do they get back home or stay on the island? How do they feel? Does the other character(s) help?

Opening

Introduce the characters and describe the setting

Ending

What happens? Link back to opening.



Useful Vocabulary

Mountainous

Command

Howling

Cloudless

Horizon

Curiosity

Hopeless

Saviour

Bewildered

Relieved

Venture

Time Conjunctions

Before

Days went by

Lastly

Some time later

When

Then

After

Firstly

Finally

While

That afternoon

A few minutes
later

Useful Openers

Whales, sharks..

What follows..

They searched..

Always..

Very soon..

At last..

Once at sea..

Sometimes..

Clutching..

Waiting..

Useful Punctuation

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My story has an interesting title.		
I have described the setting and atmosphere using descriptive language.		
I have introduced my character or characters and told the reader about them.		
I have explained what is happening at the beginning of the story.		
My story has a believable but interesting problem.		
My character(s) solve the problem in a believable way.		
I have shown the feelings of my character(s) as they deal with the problem.		
I have finished writing effectively to complete the story.		
I have written in paragraphs and each paragraph contains a new idea or event.		
I have used interesting language throughout my story to paint a clear picture for the reader.		
I have used time words to help the reader follow the story.		
I have used different types of sentences to make my writing entertaining.		
I have used speech carefully with correct punctuation.		
I have checked my work carefully and have corrected any spelling, grammar or punctuation mistakes.		