

GRAMMAR DRILL

SEQUENCING WORDS FOR STORYTELLING

NAME: _____

1 Find and circle five sequencing words.

s	u	d	d	e	n	l	y
f	d	f	a	l	e	a	l
i	o	m	n	f	x	g	l
r	e	s	a	g	t	h	a
s	u	m	n	r	y	w	n
t	h	e	n	a	l	x	i
d	g	i	f	o	l	a	f

2 Complete the table with words from the box.

after that	suddenly	finally	then
in the end	unexpectedly	first of all	
to begin with			

Beginning	Middle
first of all to begin with	then after that
Interruption	Ending
suddenly unexpectedly	finally in the end

3 Circle the sequencing words in the paragraph.

My first job interview was unforgettable. First of all, I didn't expect it to happen so fast. I sent in my résumé, and four hours later, they called me to see if I could go to an interview on Thursday. After that, I was feeling very excited but then, when the day arrived, I felt really nervous. I couldn't sleep at all! I prepared myself and arrived 20 minutes early to the office. I thought I would have to wait but as soon as I arrived they sent me to human resources. Immediately, the manager began asking the usual questions about me and my career when suddenly the boss came in. Unexpectedly, he decided to conduct the rest of the interview. I was really nervous. Finally, the interview ended, he smiled at me, and said that I was a great candidate and that they would call me in a week to confirm my hiring. In the end, everything went all right and I'm pretty sure that I will get the job.

4 Underline the correct option.

My name is Julia and my first day working at Milano Store was incredible. 1) First, / Then, I was received by a really nice girl named Carolina, who showed me around the store. 2) Then, / Finally, she taught me how to use the cash register. 3) Suddenly, / After that, we went to the locker room where I could keep my personal belongings and the uniform I'll be wearing every day. 4) Initially, / Suddenly, the manager called me to personally introduce me to the team. 5) Then, / In the end, I went home tired but very happy.

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5 Complete the sentences with connectors from the box.

sum up	finally	unexpectedly	out of the blue
the blue	first of all	after that	so

- To graduate with honors, first of all you have to study very hard.
- David ate too many sweets, so he had a terrible stomach ache.
- Mariela finally finished her homework.
- We went to the pool, then to the beach, and after that we went to the showers.
- We were on our way to school when unexpectedly there was a car crash.
- We were driving on the highway when out of the blue a deer ran in front of our car.
- To sum up, trade theory explains the pattern of international trade in the world economy.

6 Number the events in order.

- Suddenly, the cake began to rise and rise and I thought that I had done something wrong.
- I mixed everything together and put it in the microwave for 5 minutes.
- To prepare the mug cakes, first I measured all the ingredients very carefully.
- In the end, when I took the mug cake out, I saw that it was just perfect, like a giant muffin. Delicious!
- Then, I put all the dry ingredients together.
- After that, I added the moist ingredients: eggs, oil, and milk.

7 Circle and correct the mistakes in the paragraph.

My friend and I visited Tulum last summer. Next, ^{To begin with,} we took a 12-hour bus to Cancún. It was really tiresome. As soon as we arrived, we went to the hotel and took a shower and rested. In the end, ^{Then,} we went out to get something to eat. After that, ^{Suddenly,} a motorcycle appeared out of nowhere and almost hit us! Initially, ^{After that,} we took the bus to the archeological site. It was amazing! We also did some snorkeling and we relaxed a little at the beach. Unexpectedly, ^{Finally,} we left at the end of the week and headed home. We were a little sunburned but really happy.

8 Write a paragraph about your first day in high school using sequencing words.

Students' own answers.
