

# Timing is EVERYTHING!!

Temporal words and phrases are necessary to show order of events and the passage of time.

*Examples: At first - During - In the meantime - Now - Next - Suddenly - At the moment*

Learn how to indicate timing and sequence in a narrative writing through the activities below.

Number the sentences in each group 1 thru 3, in the order it happened.

Lastly, write your own 3 sentences using temporal words or phrases.

## Group 1

\_\_\_\_ Then Teeder the Toad kicked it up a notch, and had us walk around the brook really fast.

\_\_\_\_ In the beginning, we walked slowly on the trail through the jungle for about half a mile.

\_\_\_\_ Finally we stopped by the brook, jumped in, and everyone swam and played for a bit.

## Group 2

\_\_\_\_ Zander the Zebra made lots of trips with his cart to unload all of the logs the beavers cut.

\_\_\_\_ After the day was done, everyone gathered for a picnic with good food, and games too!

\_\_\_\_ Once Zander arrived to the unloading area, Lexor the Lion stacked them in a pile.

## Group 3

\_\_\_\_ Gradually Tree Bark Falls became more colorful and bright with all of the new additions.

\_\_\_\_ It wasn't a moment too soon, as the other flowers had been destroyed by the storm.

\_\_\_\_ Yesterday, Old Auntie Bren brought a whole truckload of flowers for everyone to plant.

## Group 4

\_\_\_\_ Sometimes he even does an interview with one or two of the villagers to discuss issues.

\_\_\_\_ Often Silk the Salamander plays great music on the radio and takes personal requests.

\_\_\_\_ This morning he talked to Daxton to find out how the town's replanting project was going.

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_