

Building Foundations That Last  
First Grade Modeled Writing Plan

**Date:** February

**Quarterly Benchmark:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

**Standards & Curriculum Connection:**

W.1.3 - Narrative Writing

Reach – Unit 5 – Creature Features

Grammar – Complete Sentences and Synonyms (hedge/bush)

Phonics – Soft /g/ (imagine, hedge)

High Frequency Words – might, move, under & Green Card Words

Benchmark Focus		
<b>Process:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Move from a 3 Part Plan (B/M/E) to a 4 Part Plan (B/M/M/E)</li> <li>Sketches with words and pictures</li> </ul>	<b>Surface Features:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5-7 Sentences</li> <li>Uses knowledge of more complex letter/sound relationships</li> <li>Variety of punctuation</li> </ul>	<b>Content:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include “dialogue” in story – moving the speech bubble down</li> <li>Descriptive language</li> </ul>
<b>Picture</b> (sketch - what you will draw) 		
<b>The Story</b> (what will you say) Intro 4 Part Plan - longer stories, more details in the middle Writers Think First! – Planning my story with a sketch and words Background Story – My sister and I love to go for long walks in the morning. We meet early so it is often still dark outside. <b>(B)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Headed out for a walk (not jog) – brisk walk</li> <li>Still dark along the path, building on one side with a tall hedge on the other</li> </ul> <b>(M)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sister grabs – clenches my arm without warning and says, “What was that?”</li> <li>So startled – my heart skipped a beat</li> </ul>		

**(M)**

- Could only imagine what might be moving
- Grab flashlight and shine toward hedge

**(E)**

- So surprised to see a fluffy bunny
- Laughed and laughed

**The Sentences** (key sentences you will write)

It was still dark when my sister and I headed out for our brisk morning walk.

Without warning she clenched my arm and screamed, “What was that?”

My heart skipped a beat!

I could only imagine what might be moving out there.

Quickly grabbing my flashlight, I shined it toward the hedge.

What a surprise to just see a fluffy bunny sitting under the bush.

We laughed and laughed at how scared we had been.