**Lesson 2 - Endings**

**Starter – Match the words to their definition**

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| Ambiguous | Anxious or nervous |
| Eccentric | To be overconfident |
| Apprehensive | Strange or unusual |
| Egotistical  | Brutal |
| Barbaric | Unclear or confusing |

**Read this:**A twist ending is probably the most difficult type of ending to write. This is because the writer needs to:

a) Make the reader expect a different ending (eg. Happy, tragic).

b) Have an imaginative twist that the reader wasn’t expecting.

c) Keep the twist believable so that the reader can accept it.

**Main Task:**

Can you think of your own twist endings to these well-known stories? Remember, a good twist should be surprising yet believable (not silly).

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| **Story**  | **Idea for a twist ending**   |
| The Three Little Pigs  | Instead of the pigs catching the wolf in a boiling pot when he climbs down the chimney, what could happen is …  |
| Little Red Riding Hood  | Rather than the woodcutter arriving to save the day and kill the wolf, a twist ending would be …   |
| Goldilocks and the Three Bears  | Instead of Goldilocks running away from the three bears back to her mother’s cottage, how about …   |
| Jack and the Beanstalk  | In the original Jack chops down the beanstalk and the giant dies from the fall. However, a twist could be …   |
| **Challenge:**  | Can you think of another well-known story (book or film) and write down an effective idea for a twist ending?    |

Follow this link to complete the quiz: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=zz3XjXy17EC3-HVbUS2fex47Eck8wixKgoG5SSE4U2lUQTQyVFBVVkFVUVZHNkhGNjRWMEVOUUMyWS4u>

**Imagine you are the old man’s wife, who has just walked in on this bet. After all you have been through, losing your own fingers to try and stop him from taking everything you own, how do you feel catching him at it yet again?**

Write a short diary entry from the perspective of his wife, explaining how disappointed you are.

**Challenge: Can you use some of the vocabulary from the starter?**

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