

# Adventure

## **Definition:**

A story in which the characters go somewhere exciting and dangerous.

## **Key Features:**

A chase or narrow escape. A battle might be fought. 'Goodies' against 'Baddies'. Usually makes us wonder if the characters will make it or not.



# Checklist for Key Stage 1

## Adventure Story Writing Checklist

Did I include...

a title?

a beginning?

a build-up?

a dilemma?

a chase or a narrow escape?

a resolution?

an ending?

# Checklist for Key Stage 2

## Adventure Story Checklist

Did I include...	✓
a title to make the reader want to read my story?	
a beginning to introduce character(s) and a setting?	
a build-up to give hints and clues about what is going to happen?	
a dilemma where something goes wrong?	
a resolution where the character(s) solve the dilemma?	
an ending to close the story?	
dialogue to advance the action?	
short, snappy sentences used for effect?	
cliffhanger questions?	

## ***An example of an adventure story***

Beep beep! The chime of the car horn told Danger Dan that this was his moment! His moment to discover the hidden secret of the Arabian Tomb. Tightly wrapping his desert scarf around his weathered face, he left his hotel room and stepped out into the hustle and bustle of the Dubai street. He was a tall, lean man, with dark hazel hair which flicked up at the fringe. It had done this ever since he had become an explorer. The years of exposure to the arid heat and howling desert winds of the Middle East had taken its toll, but this time... he was determined! Before long, the taxi had taken him away from the crowded city roads and dropped him off at the edge of the wilderness.

Wind howled across the heated desert. Towering sand dunes were all around and slim, green palm trees blew in the breeze like a kite. In the distance, hairy camels plodded across the land. Crooked twigs and branches stuck out from the scorching ground. Salty air blew up Dan's nose whilst as he trudged on through the sea of sand. The sky was bright blue like the ocean and the sun shone down like a ball of fire! Jagged, sharp rocks were scattered everywhere like there had been some kind of catastrophic explosion! After some time, Dan came to Wadi, which shielded him from the burning wind.

Could you use these ideas to write your own adventure story?

### Key Words

Kidnap	Dangerous
Treasure	Unknown
Swordfight	Brave
Escape	Outsmarted
Journey	Suddenly

### Settings

Desert Island
Abandoned Ship
Cave
Underwater
Pirate Ship

