



Setting



Characters



Big Problems



*Perfect
End*

Story Soup Starters for Grades 3-5

Use these four main ingredients to cook up a good story!

Setting: Where & when does the story happen?

Characters: Who's in it?

Big Problems: What happens? (Secret: No problems = really (yawn) boring story)

Perfect Ending: Happy, sad, or a big surprise. You decide.

Ready? I'll supply the setting and characters. You decide on the problem and ending.

Story Starter #1

- A bedroom with a line drawn in chalk down the middle
- Twins

Story Starter #2

- An art museum
- A three year old with a crayon, a big sister on a cell phone, and a really large museum guard.

Story Starter #3

- A shack on a beach
- A boy who must stay hidden, a dog with a really great nose, and a cat who hates water.

Story Starter #4

- A broken rocket ship
- A dentist, a girl with braces, and angry space creatures.

Story Starter #5

- The world's largest meatball pizza (the size of New York City)
- An actress in spiky high heels, an international soccer player, and a kid

Story Starter #6

- The top of the world tallest building
- A super hero who is afraid of heights, and a robot

Story Starter #7

- Inside a volcano
- Two best friends and a bunch of bats

Story Starter #8

- The South Pole
- An explorer, someone's grandmother, and a polar bear