

Preparatory English 2

Unit 3: Recounting Past Experiences

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Warming up

- **What was your most memorable moment last year?**
- **Why was it the most memorable one?**



Story vs. Recount

- **What is a story?**
- **Is it the same as a recount?**
- **Can you differentiate them?**



Story vs. Recount

- **A story is usually told as a form of fiction. It may not be true. So it is more like a work of fiction.**
- **A recount is a recollection or retelling of true events or experiences.**



Types of Recount

- **Personal recount** – personal events (e.g. birthday celebration, graduation, etc).
- **Factual recount** – to record an incident (accident, robbery, police report, etc)

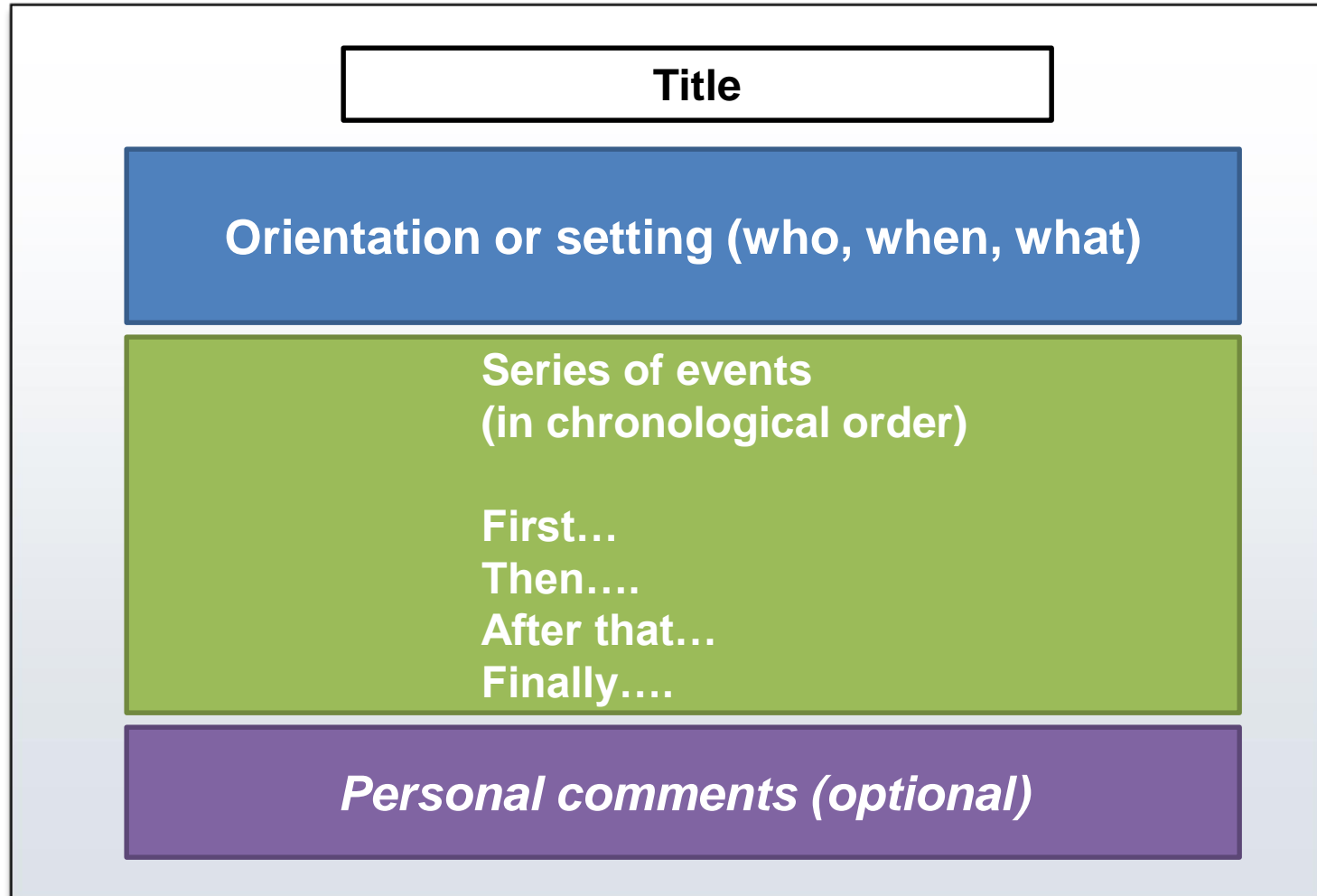


Recount: The Purpose

- **What is the purpose of a recount?**
- **To retell or recollect past events in chronological order (in sequence of time).**



Recount: The Structure



Recount: Language Focus

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 - Irregular verbs and regular verbs (+ed)
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Preposition of Time

- **In**
 - month (April), year (2009), season (winter, spring)
 - a certain duration (in 5 minutes)
 - In the evening, in the morning, in the afternoon.
- **On**
 - Day (Monday), date (14 February)
 - Specific day (Valentine's Day, Mother's Day)
- **At**
 - Time (2.45p.m.)
 - Night, midnight



Recount: Let's Try

- **Recount the following incidents:**
 - A fire at your college.
 - A snatch theft while walking back from class.
 - A burglary at my home.
 - Bullied by seniors during Minggu Aluan Pelajar (MAP)
 - A tragic road accident



Recount: Let's Try

Incident Report

Reported filed by: Your Name

Date: Date of Report

Incident: Give a title for your incident

Time of Incident: When?

Location of Incident: Where?

People Involved: Who?

Description of event:

(Explain, what happened, what you saw, what you heard, what you experienced)

