



English Week  
beginning 13<sup>th</sup> July

Moon landing and shadow story

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## MEN ON THE MOON!

It's One Giant Leap...

21<sup>st</sup> July 1969

**Yesterday, Neil Armstrong and Edwin (Buzz) Aldrin made history when they became the first humans to walk on the Moon.**

They reached the Moon's orbit on 19<sup>th</sup> July 1969 following a three-day journey into space in the Saturn V rocket alongside fellow astronaut Michael Collins. Yesterday, Neil and Buzz entered the lunar module, which is nicknamed The Eagle. Michael remained in the rocket to carry out important experiments and take photographs of the mission.

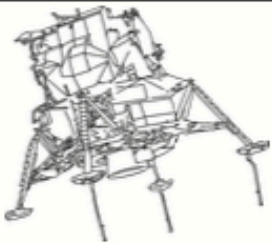
Fuel was running low but the brave space explorers landed safely on the Moon's surface in an area known as the Sea of Tranquility. Neil contacted the NASA headquarters to tell them the good news and was heard saying, "Tranquillity Base here. The Eagle has landed." Everyone at NASA was able to breathe again.



Neil Armstrong

So far, the mission had been hard work so NASA told the astronauts that they must rest. They struggled to sleep and, after almost four hours, Neil left The Eagle. He made his way slowly down the metal stairs towards the dusty surface of the Moon. He reached his left foot down and stated, *"That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."*

Buzz joined him after almost 20 minutes and the bold space travellers then spent around two and a half hours exploring the Moon.



The Eagle (lunar module)

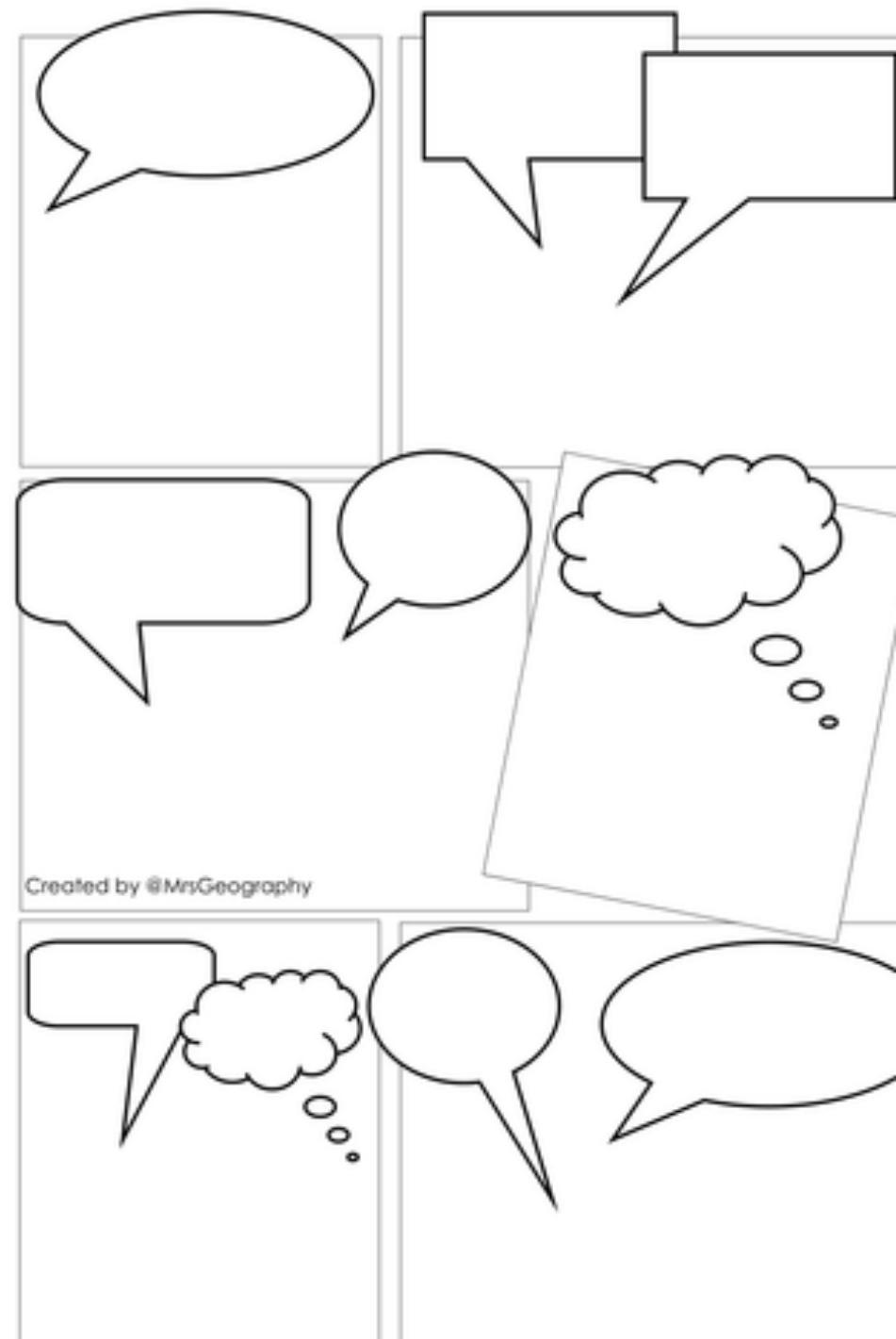
The mission to reach the surface of the Moon had some difficulties. Firstly, The Eagle was heading towards a large crater so, while Buzz monitored speed, Neil took manual control to direct it towards a safer landing position.

## Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July- Reading comprehension

Choose your level the more stars in the corner the harder the questions.

# Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July

Create a comic strip retelling Armstrong's mission to the moon. Look at as much information as you can find out and put in facts and feelings into the comic strip. You could create you own comic strip or use a template!





## Story starter!

If you look very carefully at night, as the mist disappears, the shadow still stands there, guarding his home. No one has ever seen him, only his shadow. His boat travels silently up and down the river every night. High in the tree, the door remains shut, lit only by a single light. No visitors are seen, no noises heard, only the slight creaking of the wooden path leading to and from the tree.

Then one night, everything changed. The shadow was gone and left in its place a ...



## **Question time!**

What did the shadow leave behind?

Who is responsible for the shadow?

Would you like to live in a tree house? Why?

What would be the problems of living in a tree? What would be the positives?

How are shadows made?

Wednesday  
15<sup>th</sup> July

Plan your  
story and  
vocabulary  
using  
exercises

# Sentence challenge!

Can you use adverbs in your writing to describe how something is done?

Slowly, the mist drifted across the lake.

Mysteriously, the shadow appeared.

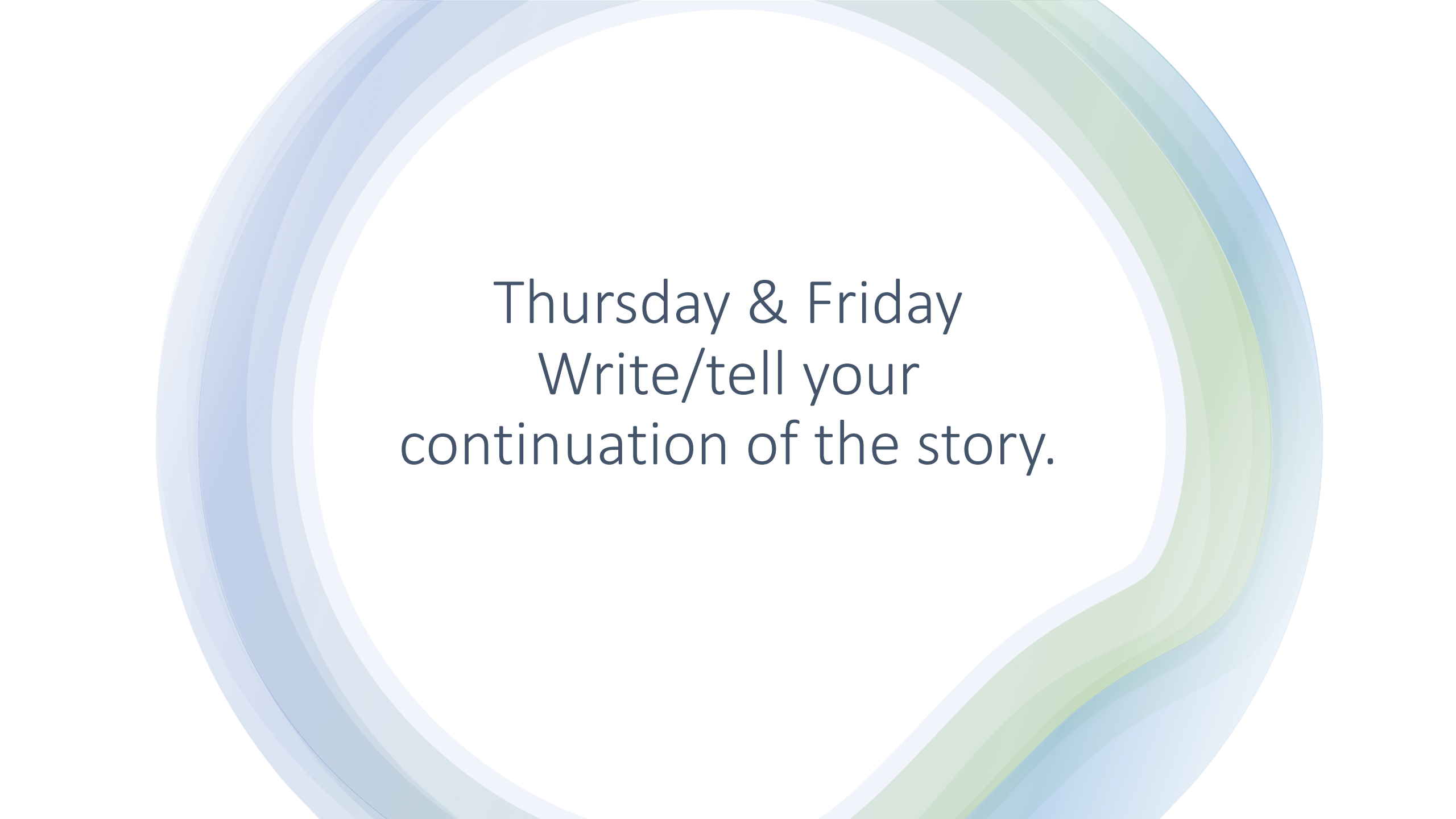
Can you change the position of the adverbs in your sentences?

## **Sick sentences!**

These sentences are 'sick' and need help to get better. Can you help?

The wooden path led to the tree house.

It was a dark night and it was misty.



Thursday & Friday  
Write/tell your  
continuation of the story.



Edit and improve  
your first version.