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WRITE YOUR OWN POURQUOI STORY!

A WORKSHEET FOR WRITERS

"Pourquoi" is the French word for "why." Pourquoi stories are tales that explain WHY or HOW something is in the world. Many different cultures all over the world have pourquoi stories.

YOU can write your own pourquoi story. To write your story, think about the following things:

1. What is it that you are explaining? (Titles of pourquoi stories often start with "how" or "why.")
2. Who is your main character? (Is it a male or female? Animal or human?)
3. What other characters are there?
4. Where do they live?
5. When do they live? (Most pourquoi stories take place a long time ago.)
6. What is the problem in your story that leads to the thing you are explaining?
7. How do we see this thing today?

Any other notes: