**Day 2- Diary Entry**

**1. Reading time!**

Read/re-read the story of *Angry Cat* and then read the *Page from Rat’s Diary*.

* Can you spot the conjunctions that Rat has included in his writing?
* Watch out – some are at the *start* of his sentences.

**2. All about diaries**

Carefully read through *Rat’s Diary Features Checklist* to learn all about the language and layout features of diaries.

* Compare the *Page from Rat’s Diary* against the *Checklist*. Is there anything on the list that Rat did not use or do? (*no day/date.*)

**3. Let’s get ready for writing**

On a piece of paper, you are going to write Angry Cat’s diary entry, recounting the *very* angry-making day she had!

* As you write, refer to the *Checklist* to make sure you have used all the features mentioned. When you have finished, tick off each one you have used.
* Can you use the conjunctions *because, when* and *if* in your diary writing? Can you use at least one conjunction at the start of a sentence? (*When Dog came in, I felt very angry indeed*.)

**Now try these Fun-Time Extras**

• Write a diary entry as if written by your one of your teddies, dolls or toys.

**A Page from Rat’s Diary**

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*Dear Diary,*

*What a day it has been! I felt very hungry when I woke up. I knew Cat’s milk would be waiting for me if I was lucky, so I set off to have a cheeky gulp. I was just sniffing at the bowl when I saw a flash of blue. I knew it was Cat because I heard her growl and hiss. I was so scared because she has very sharp claws, especially when she is angry. Which is all the time. I ran back to my burrow as fast as I could. I had just lain down in the straw when Cat’s snarling face appeared at the door. Luckily, she pushed off pretty quickly. It took me all day to recover. I won't be doing that again tomorrow because it is too scary!*

**because when if**

