

Fairytale Flurry: a creative writing exercise for children and adults by Sophie Masson, with illustration story starters by Kathy Creamer

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Illustrations © Kathy Creamer

This exercise is free to download, print out, and share amongst families, schools, networks, and communities. I just ask that if you do share anywhere or post on social media, please acknowledge my authorship and that of my collaborator, illustrator Kathy Creamer. And as I'd love to see your creative responses to these exercises, do tag me if you decide to put them up on social media. You can tag me on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [Instagram](#).

Fairytale Flurry is, as its name indicates, based around a fairytale theme. I've collaborated on it with the fabulous illustrator [Kathy Creamer](#), who has provided three great illustrations as story starters. This exercise is suitable for both children and adults, and is very flexible, so you can add characters, settings, formats, etc, as you like, and shuffle everything around.

So what you do is select two, three, or any number of characters from the list; one or two settings from the list; and one type of format for your story. Then you simply put them together and create your story!

On pages 3, 4 and 5, you will also find three fabulous illustrations by Kathy, as story starters. Enjoy!

Fairytale Flurry: the lists

Basic characters

An orphan girl

A witch

A talking animal

A hunter

A king

A dragon

A troll

A dwarf

A jealous brother or sister

Basic settings:

A castle

A forest

A dungeon

A cave

A country cottage

A magical garden

Basic formats:

A police report

A newspaper article

A job application

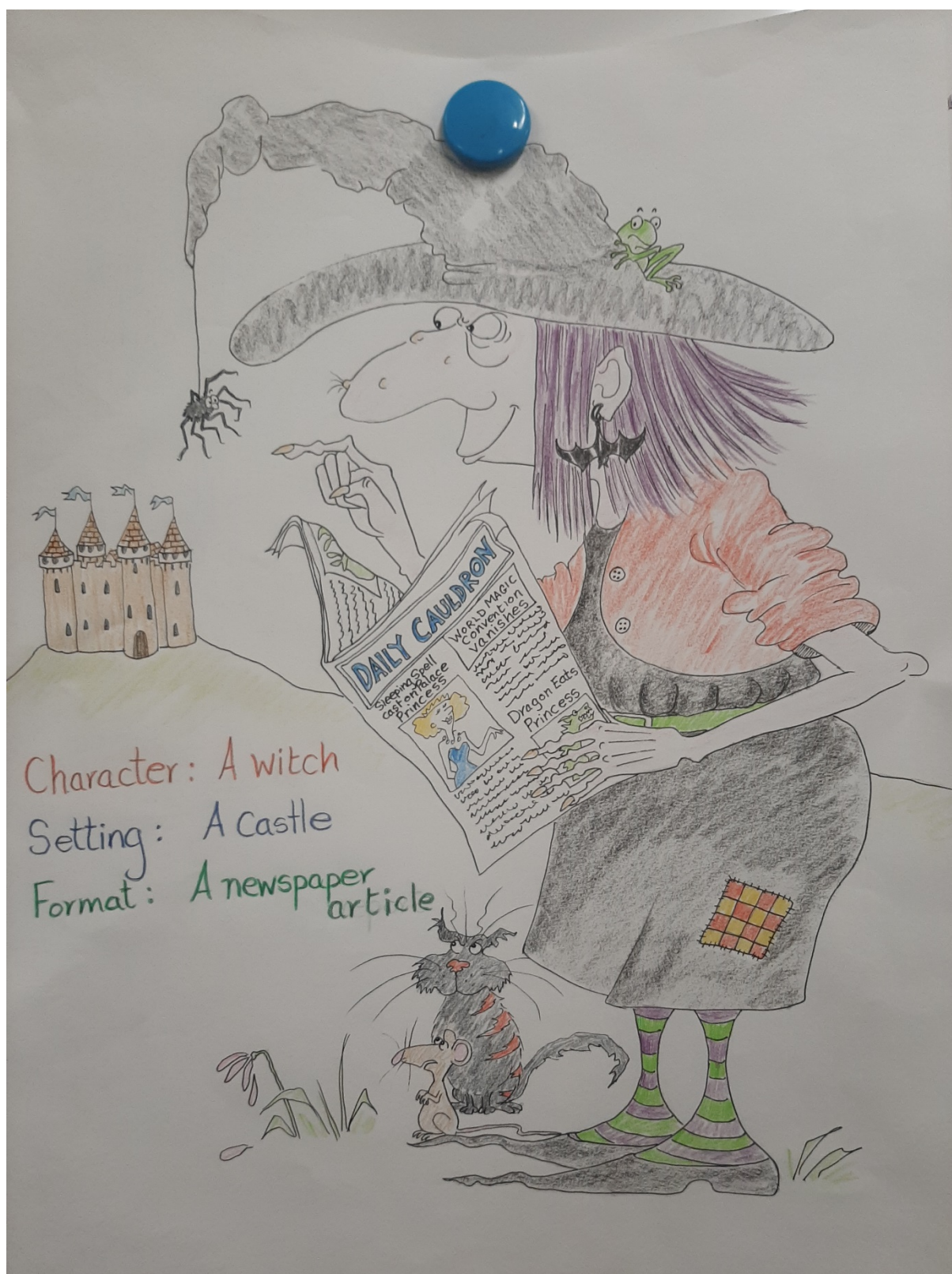
A letter or email

A page from a recipe book

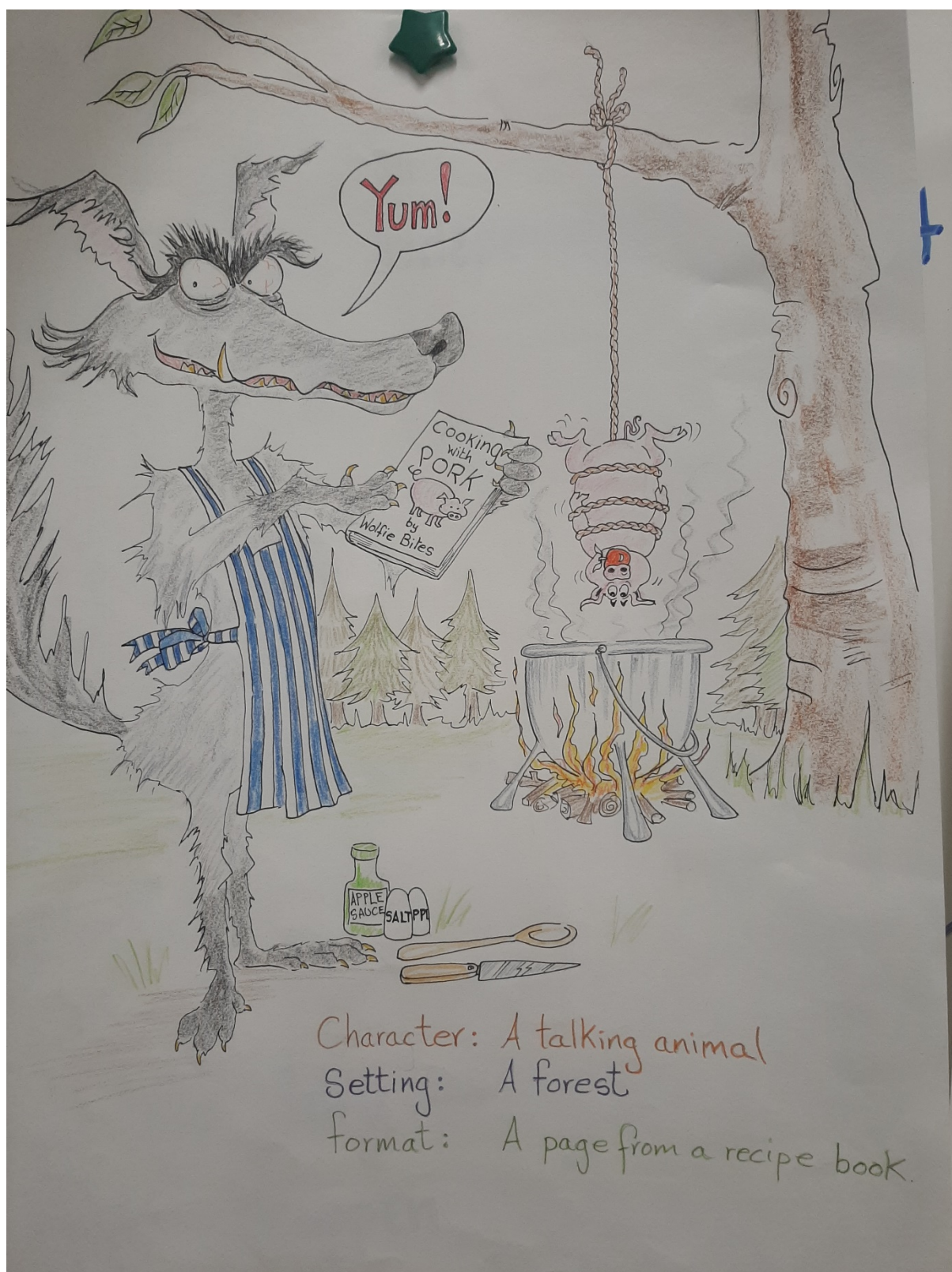
A song

A short film script

Fairytale Flurry illustration story starters: 1



Fairytale Flurry illustration story starter: 2



Fairytale Flurry illustration story starter: 3

