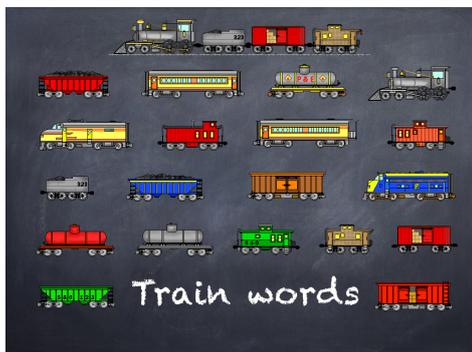


# Words and Trains

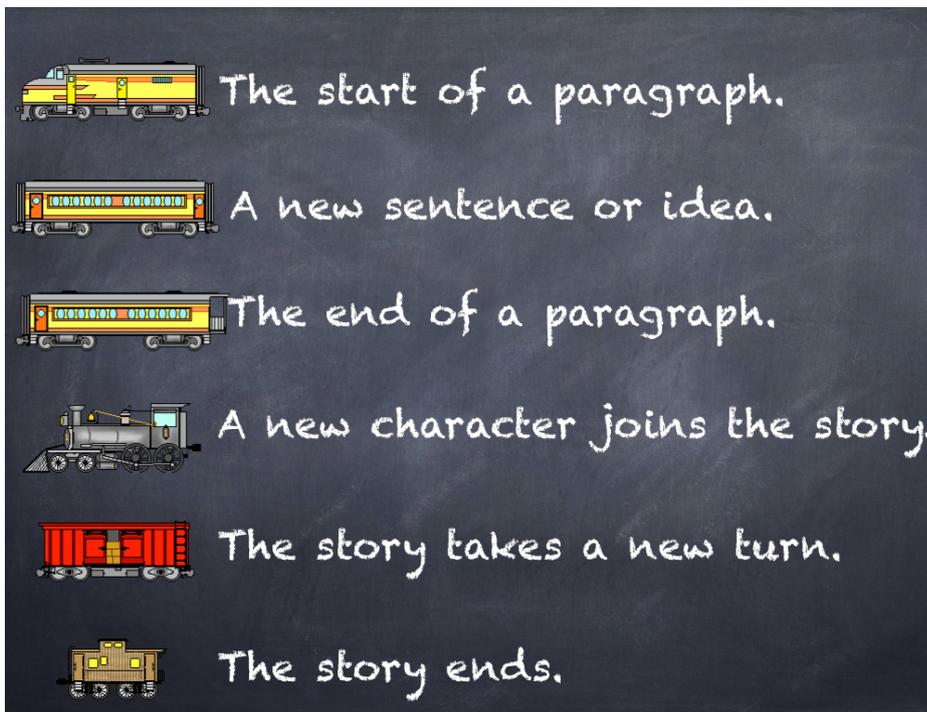
## Cues and keys for little storytellers



The Journey

This is where the story begins  
Each new twist and turn bends the story in a new direction

The plot thickens and new characters enter the fray  
It will not be long before the story weaves all the elements together  
and the story draws to a resolution and close



**Aim** Assist students to work characters, plot and resolution into their stories.

**Lesson** Share a word or presentation document with a selection of clip art images of trains and rolling stock. This technique can avoid reliance on the Internet.

Develop a key that employs the rolling stock as cues for characters and elements within the story

Students develop a story, embedding the clip art as the story progresses.

**Tools** Computer, paper.

**Output** Word or Pages document

**Key words** Clip art

**Software** Microsoft Word, Pages, Microsoft PowerPoint, Keynote

### Instructions:

1. Research, download and embed clip art of trains and rolling stock within a word or presentation document. <http://abkldesigns.com/train1.html>
2. Create a key for the engines, carriages and rolling stock that relates to storyline elements
3. Create an example of a simple story for the students to act as a guide
4. Save and upload the document to the Internet
5. Share with students via email or thumb drive
6. Direct the students to brainstorm, plan & create a story in Word or Pags using the engines, carriages & rolling stock as cues to show changes in the story.