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Introduzione

L PROGETTO "SHORT STORY WRITING" È SCATURITO DA UN'ESPERIENZA DI "SHORT STORY LISTENING". L'ATTIVITÀ HA AVUTO INIZIO NEL SECONDO QUADRIMESTRE DEL PRECEDENTE ANNO SCOLASTICO DOPO CHE GLI STUDENTI, FREQUENTANTI LA SECONDA CLASSE DI UNA SCUOLA SECONDARIA DI PRIMO GRADO, HANNO IMPARATO A PARLARE DI EVENTI PASSATI UTILIZZANDO IL PAST SIMPLE DEI VERBI REGOLARI E IRREGOLARI. L'ULTIMA FASE DEL PROGETTO, CIOÈ LA REALIZZAZIONE DELL'EBOOK, VA COLLOCATA INVECE NEL PRESENTE ANNO SCOLASTICO. MA QUALI SONO STATI CONCRETAMENTE GLI OBIETTIVI DI TALE ATTIVITÀ? SI È CERCATO DI SVILUPPARE LE COMPETENZE RICETTIVE E PRODUTTIVE IN LINGUA INGLESE, DI AVVIARE GLI STUDENTI AD UN USO CONSAPEVOLE DELL'INGLESE TENENDO CONTO DEL LESSICO, DELLE STRUTTURE E DELLE PRINCIPALI FUNZIONI LINGUISTICHE DELLA COMUNICAZIONE ORALE E SCRITTA. INOLTRE SI È CERCATO DI DARE SPAZIO ALLA LORO FANTASIA E CREATIVITÀ, SVILUPPARE LE ABILITÀ SOCIALI ED ARTISTCHE NECESSARIE PER UN LAVORO COOPERATIVO NONCHÉ AVVIARLI AD UN USO INNOVATIVO DELLE TECNOLOGIE.

sarah and her family

arah was a pretty girl, she was 12 years old. She was tall, with O light eyes and dark hair. She got up early that day. She was radiant and happy because she knew her parents wanted to organize a party for her birthday, but when she went downstairs she was surprised: nothing was on the table to celebrate her. Her parents, William and Kate, went to their jeweller's to work. They were very busy, they were very rich and they used to wear elegant clothes. They were tall and slim:

Kate was 35 years old and had dark eyes and black hair, William was 38 years old and had brown hair and green eyes. They thought Sarah was happy because she had enough money to buy expensive clothes, but this wasn't true because she was usually sad and she wanted her parents to love her.



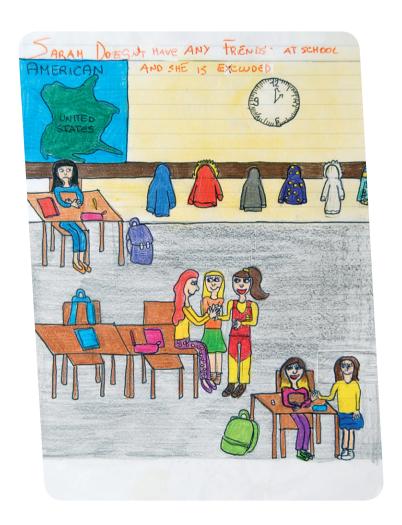


life at school

twas the first school day for Sarah. She went to school but she felt anxious. She was afraid because she thought that nobody wanted to make friends with her. She went to her classroom and she sat down at the last place of the room. She started working on her copybook while all the other guys were talking about her, so she felt uncomfortable and embarrassed but she didn't stop writing. She looked at Harry all the time: he had got big beautiful blue eyes and in those eyes Sarah saw

the ocean. He had got long, brown curly hair and a wonderful smile. After some minutes, Sarah's pencilcase fell on to the floor. Harry stood up and picked it up. This boy was very careful and gentle to Sarah too. At the break Harry came up to Sarah, and she became very nervous. They started talking about their life. Harry started joking and they both started laughing. Sarah was embarrassed but she wanted to know him because she thought that Harry was perfect for her. Later Harry gave

Sarah his telephone number. When they went to their houses, they had lunch and Harry phoned his new friend. They talked about their homework for the next day. During the week they continued to make friends. Four days later Harry met Sarah behind the school because he wanted to tell something to her. The girl was worried, they started talking and Harry told her sad words: he didn't want to have a relationship whithis new friend. He thought that it was the best thing to do for Sarah because



Harry didn't want Sarah to be sad. They were in love, it was obvious. In fact both the guys were sad, they knew it wasn't good for them. They couldn't live far away. At school they were sad and they continued suffering, they felt alone. Two weeks later the guys were really sad, so she took the phone and dialed his number but he didn't answer. In the evening, Harry decided to call Sarah to tell her to explain their situation because he wanted the happiness of both, but Sarah had gone to bed so the boy resigned and

losthope. The next morning Sarah woke up very early because she had decided to talk to the boy she loved and ask the reason for his decision. She saw that Harry had called her, so she called him. The girl was so anxious and wanted to hear Harry's voice. He was very happy and dried his tears. There were a few moments of silence then the guys talked for half an hour. They said a lot of sweet sentences and expressed all their love. They went to school excited, they wanted to hug again. Thy went behind the school and

embraced strongly. They declared their love and finally they were happy. They overcame their fear and entered the classroom hand in hand.







very day Sarah went back home by bus but one day the bus was late and she had to walk home. She was walking along the street when she saw an abandoned dog; she took it up and brought it home. Sarah called the little pet Jack: it was really cute. She put it in a box to hide it to her family. The following day Sarah went to school and left Jack at home. The puppy felt lonely without Sarah and it was also hungry and thirsty. Sarah was afraid because her parents could find it and,

while she was at school, she thought about Jack all the time. As soon as she was back home, she went to cuddle and feed it and when her parents went out she played with it. Some minutes after her parents came back home and they saw it: they were really surprised and happy because Sara had a new friend now. They gave it a big smile.









the change

hey spent a fot of their time together.

Every day Jack waited for Sarah at the bus stop in front of the house and they went back home together.

But one day fack wasn't at the bus stop. Sarah looked for the puppy everywhere, but she couldn't find it.

It was four o' clock and she wasn't at home.

Her parents were very worried so they called the policemen and all the neighborhoods were in front of their house to help them. Sarah's mum cried and at the same time Sarah's dad spoke to the policeman about the event Meanwhile Sarah went to the park but fack wasn't there. The puppy had disappeared. Sarah went back home and started crying because she was really sad. Sarah spoke about the puppy Jack and its story to her parents. They didn't know what to do with her. She seemed scared and she was worried

because Sarah thought that Jack was dead. Sarah was depressed and she spent a lot of time playing videogames. Her parents were worried about Sarah. You can't spend all your time in front of the computer playing videogames" said her father. "Why don't you go out for a walk?". Sarah went to the park. All the park was magic, fantastic: the trees were in blossom, the birds were singing and flying in the big blue sky. Everything reminded her the dog when she first met it She returned home but Sarah, on the way

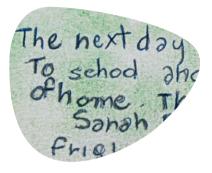


to her house, met a boy, he was Harry, she remembered him, he was in her class. But she was surprised when she saw her dog Jack on his arms. Sarah ran towards them and she started crying; Harry didn't know why she was crying but Sarah told him all the story and he helped her to return home.

The girl took Jack and she cuddled it and the dog was happier than Sarah because it could see her again. When they were in front of Sarah's house her parents ran towards

her. Kate hugged her daughter and Jack and all the family thanked Harry for his help. With them Sarah realized that Harry was her true love.

The shy girl resulted to have her true love, her little best friend and two perfect parents. She no longer needed to play videogames because she found her love and she never could change it.











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