Diary and Journal Entries

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| **Opening statement: Who, what, where, when and why.**   * The opening statement can be part of the body if preferred. |

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| **Body: Series of events in time order.** |

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| **Closing statement/comment: Express feelings, hopes for the future etc.** |

**Features of Diary and Journal Entries.**

* Usually past tense
* First person
* Note form rather than full sentences – Went swimming this morning. Couldn’t believe it when I saw him.
* Use powerful verbs, adjectives and adverbs.
* Informal, chatty tone, including more frequent use of exclamation marks.
* Use of brackets e.g. My brother is annoying (as usual).
* Use joining words – Firstly, after that, finally etc.