Simone de Beauvoir

Participatory story - ENRICHING

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Story Base

Simone was born into a middle-class family. As a child, she read many books. From an early age, Simone dreamt of becoming a writer. So, she began inventing endings to stories.

The little paradise in which Simone spent the first years of her life came to an end with the First World War and her grandfather's bankruptcy. She was forced into a life of deprivation.

Her father couldn't give her and her sister a dowry to get married. Simone liked the idea of being independent and being able to choose what she wants. She was not interested in getting married.

She enrolled at the Sorbonne University. She began to take courses in literature and philosophy.

There she met the professor Jean-Paul Sartre. They began dating, and after a while Jean-Paul asked her to marry him, but Simone refused.

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Once she got her philosophy degree, Simone began to publish her first texts and became a writer. She used her quill to join the Resistance and to defend women's rights.

Simone and Jean-Paul traveled through Europe. She wrote not only short stories and novels, but also essays.

Simone died at the age of seventy-eight. She is buried next to Jean-Paul's grave.

What are they like?

Re-write the story and describe what the characters and things in the story are like.

What are they like?

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What are they like?

What are they doing?

Re-write the story and describe what the characters in the story are doing. Do not forget to include what the characters/things in the story are like that you wrote before!

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What are they doing?

What are they doing?

How do they do it?

Re-write the story and describe how Simone and the other characters are carrying out their actions. Do not forget to include what the characters/things in the story are like that you wrote before!

How do they do it?

How do they do it?

How do they do it?

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What are they saying?

Re-write the story and describe what Simone and the other characters are saying. Do not forget to include what the adjectives, verbs and adverbs that you wrote before!

What are they saying?

What are they saying?

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What are they saying?

Where does the story take place?

Re-write the story and describe where the actions of the characters in the story take place. Do not forget to include the adjectives, verbs, adverbs and dialogue that you wrote before!

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