



# ESOL Choice Board: Grades 9-12

## Listening Activity

Take a look at the reading activity. Now that you have a better idea of some common sequencing words, can you listen for them in a podcast that tells a historical story?

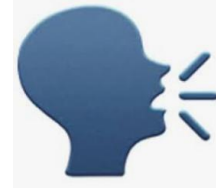
[Click here](#) to listen to an episode of the podcast "You Must Remember This" about Walt Disney's life during World War II. (Content warning: one instance of foul language)



## Speaking Activity

Have you ever read a word and not knew how to say it out loud? Try using Forvo, a pronunciation dictionary!

[Click here](#) to visit Forvo (try entering some tough to pronounce words like rural, applicable, and Arctic)



## Reading Activity

| SEQUENCING WORD LISTS |                    |                  |
|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| <b>BEGINNING</b>      |                    |                  |
| • In the beginning    | • Once upon a time | • Once           |
| • It all started when | • To begin         | • First of all   |
| • First               | • To start         | • One day        |
| • _____               | • _____            | • _____          |
| <b>MIDDLE</b>         |                    |                  |
| • After awhile        | • Next             | • At that moment |
| • Soon                | • Then             | • Before long    |
| • Meanwhile           | • Second           | • Eventually     |
| • Suddenly            | • After that       | • Afterward      |
| • All of a sudden     | • Later            | • At this point  |
| • _____               | • _____            | • _____          |
| <b>END</b>            |                    |                  |
| • At last             | • Afterward        | • Lastly         |
| • Finally             | • Last             | • By the end     |
| • In the end          | • After all        | • By this point  |
| • _____               | • _____            | • _____          |

Authors of nonfiction texts may organize their text in sequence or chronological order. Sequence is often used when the author's purpose is to give instructions or explain how something came to be. Sequence words (as shown in the list above) can help you identify order of events.

## Writing Activity

Take a look at these writing prompts:

- In what way have you changed the most over the last three years? Write about your transformation.
- In what ways do you think you might change over the next five years? Why?
- If you had to give up one of your five senses, which would you most hate to lose—and why?
- What is your superpower? Write about what makes you so good at that one thing.
- What is the hardest thing you've ever had to do? Write about your experience.
- What is your favorite thing to do after you've had a long day? How does it make you feel better?
- Write about a time when you felt someone wasn't being completely honest with you. What did you do? How did the other person respond?

These were intended for journaling, but journals do not have to be kept only in written format. Create a video where you respond to one of these prompts and share it with your friends on social media.

Get creative- programs like iMovie, Windows Video Editor, Instagram Reels/Stories, and TikTok can help with adding effects and text with very few clicks!