

You should now have written your opener and the next paragraph where your main characters found the object.

Section 3—The object that has been found causes strange things to happen

This is what the model text sounded like...



"Looks simple enough," said Danny, ever impatient, as he set the counters onto the start line. They were jungle animals: a rhino and a jaguar. He also shuffled the game cards and laid them in a neat pile. "Let's just start and learn as we go."

Susie went first. She grasped the dice and threw them down onto the centre of the board. An eight! She moved her rhino eight paces, to land on an orange-coloured square. It showed a picture of a giant Tarantula. She lifted a game card and read it out. "If you do not catch this beast, then you're on the menu for its next feast." She stared at Danny and shrugged. "I don't get it!" she said.

At that moment, the table began to shake, the windows rattled and the floor vibrated. Everyone stopped what they were doing and the room fell silent.

"EARTHQUAKE!" shouted Billy, bursting into laughter. He soon stopped, as in a blink of an eye, an enormous spider, bigger than a horse, shot out of the game and landed in the centre of the crowded classroom. Everyone froze. Its enormous, hairy legs were tensed, ready to pounce and its whole body seemed to pulse. Eight, bulging eyes scanned the room and then ...

It sprung into action. It crushed the tables, smashed the windows and flung children all around the classroom with a flick of its legs. It powered towards Mrs Allbright as she stood rooted to the floor in terror. The room was filled with shrieks of panic and despair.

"What shall we do?" shouted Danny desperately, pressing himself tightly against the wall.

"Read the instructions," ordered Susie. "We have to stop it!"

...now it's your turn