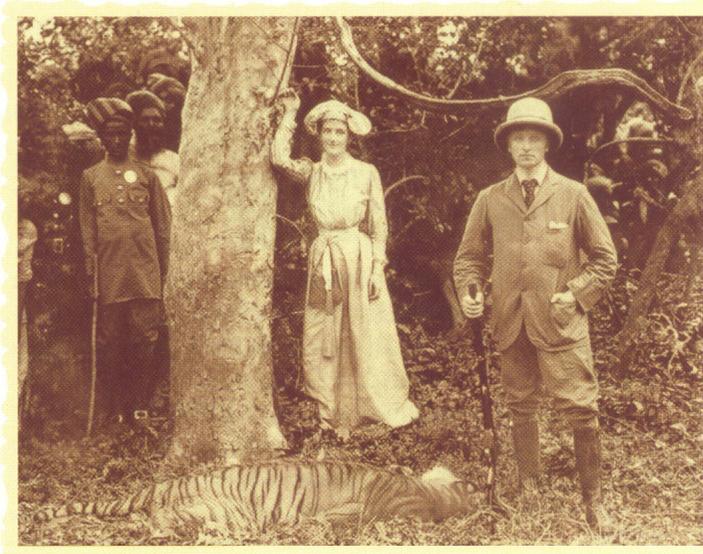


How to turn a photo into a story



My name is Captain Morgan. I'm the man in the right. The year is 1887 and the location is India.

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It was a warm and sunny day about a week ago when I set off with my wife Helen to go hunting for tigers. She's a rather timid person, so she stayed behind with some of the servants.

A huge tiger had been seen in the area several times. This was my chance. I told the boys to make a lot of noise and hoped they would drive the tiger in my direction.

I was lucky: it took only half an hour and the

beast suddenly appeared in front of me. I killed him with a single shot. When Helen and the servants arrived some time later we all posed for this photo. As you can clearly see, my wife was still not sure that the animal was really dead and stayed away from it. The boys were afraid as usual and I told them to wait behind the trees.

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It was a great day and I decided to take the tiger home. I sold the meat to the local people and will keep the fur as a trophy.

Before you start writing:

- ① Have a closer look at the photo. Collect your ideas (note-taking).

Keep the following in mind:

	... am I?
Where	... am I doing here
Who	... has just happened?
What	... are the people around me?
When	... do I feel?
Why	... is going to happen next?
How	... did I / we come here?
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Put your notes in a sensible order.

- ② Decide which tense to write in:
Past or Present?
- ③ Think of an introductory sentence, e.g.
"The photo shows me / us when I / we ..."

Now write your text:

- ④ Stick to the tense you've chosen.

Finally:

- ⑤ Check your text:
 - Does your text have paragraphs?
(----> Start a new paragraph.)
 - What about your verbs? Are the tenses correct? What about the 's' with 'he, she and it' (Simple Present only)?
 - What about the word order?
 - Do your sentences make sense? Try to avoid mental leaps (Gedankensprünge)!