





Story starter

The train let out a short, sharp cry and a hiss of steam as it thundered across the track.

4 am, an unusual time for the little, green engine named 'Velocidad' to be out. This morning, however, she was carrying an important message. The Velocidad had been chosen because she was the fastest of all the steam engines in town, and it was vital that she made great haste.

More coal was thrown on the roaring fire, and the little train reached maximum speed...

Continue the story.



Question time

- Why is the train in such a hurry?
- Where is it going?
- What will happen if she doesn't reach her destination in time?
- Who is driving the train?
- What else is in the picture? Why is it there?
- What do you think is on the other side of the tunnel?



Sentence challenge

These sentences are 'sick' and need help to get better. Please help.

The train went along the track. It was foggy. There was something following them.



Grammar/punctuation challenge

Use a colon to start a list.

For example:

There were several things that were troubling the driver: the thick fog that had descended upon them, the steepness of the approaching mountain that they must cross, the speed at which they were travelling and the mysterious thing that was following them.

Remember to use commas to separate the items in your list!



Picture it

Design your own train.

What features could you add to make it the fastest train ever?



Thank you

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