

2 Drafting

Now, you have to draft a diary entry about your unlucky birthday.

Text Type: Diary entry  Reader(s): Susan 

Tone: Informal  Tense(s): Present & past tenses 

Remember to write the date and weather when you write a diary entry.

Give some background information about the day.

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What happened to your friends?

(24th December 20XX) (weather)

Dear (Diary),

• What day is it today?
• Who did you plan to celebrate with?
• Where did you celebrate the day?

Today is my 13th birthday. It is also (day)
(people you invited)
to come to (place) to celebrate this special day together.

• What was the first unlucky thing?

While I was waiting for my friend to arrive, I received their phone calls. My friends said (the first unlucky thing)

• What was the second unlucky thing?

To make matters worse, the pizzas I ordered earlier didn't come on time. I wondered why the 'Pizza House' delivery was so late, so I called it again. The staff apologised to me that (the second unlucky thing)

He said he would (action)

My friends and I (feeling)

What happened to the food you ordered?

How did the staff respond?

How did you and your friends feel?

Why did the house become dark all of a sudden?

What did you do then?

How did that affect you and your friends?

• What was the third unlucky thing?

Suddenly, the whole flat was dark. There was (the third unlucky thing)

We ended up (the thing you did at last)

It really (result)

• How did you feel about the day?

I felt (feeling) today. I don't know why I was so (feeling)! My bad luck let me know that I should treasure everything I have now.

(closing)

You can refer to P.36 for vocabulary about feelings.