

Sequencing Activity

The sentences below tell what happens in the story. Read the sentences.

- a) Joey's mother finds her purse with the money in it.
- b) The wind and rain blow through the open window which Joey struggles to close.
- c) Joey answers the phone but there's no one there.
- d) Joey's mother comes in wet and agitated.
- e) There is a loud bang on the roof.
- f) The man delivers a seafood pizza.
- g) Joey is terrified when his mother tells him to open the door. (*climax*)
- h) Joey's mother answers a telephone call and leaves the house. (*beginning*)
- i) Joey hears three knocks at the door.
- j) Joey's mother stops him from opening the door.
- k) While Joey and his mother are eating, they hear three knocks at the door. (*end*)
- l) The lights suddenly go out.

1. Which of the above sentences is the beginning? Which is the climax (the most exciting part of the story)? Which is the end? Label those sentences 'beginning', 'climax' and 'end'.
2. Put all the sentences above in the correct order. Write your answers in the spaces provided below.

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