

KS1 Opening Lines Quiz

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A mouse took a stroll through the deep dark wood. A fox saw the mouse and the mouse looked good.'	"The sun did not shine. It was too wet to play. So we sat in the house. All that cold, cold, wet day."	'When Heather was a little girl, she snuck away from home and ran into the woods.'
'In the dead of night, when the moon yawned down, two gloomy robber dogs plodded through town.'	'When I was small, I wanted to be a star.'	'One day in class, Duncan went to take out his crayons and found a stack of letters with his name on them.'
Down down down the dark dark street they came.	'Once there were three baby Owls: Sarah, Percy and Bill.'	'George noticed his first dragon on a wet Thursday'
'I wrote to the zoo to send me a pet.'	'Deep in the forest lived a badger called Pete Who tidied and cleaned and kept everything neat.'	'Plop was a baby barn owl.'



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"All children, except one, grow up."	'When I was four months old my mother died suddenly and my father was left to look after me all by himself.'	'Lyra and her daemon moved through the darkening hall, taking care to keep to one side, out of sight of the kitchen.'
"Where's Papa going with that axe?"	'I have no idea how long I've been incarcerated within these ancient walls.'	'Our story begins on the ocean, with wind and rain and thunder and lightning and waves. A hurricane roared and raged through the night and in the middle of the chaos, a cargo ship was sinking down, down, down to the ocean floor.'
'A clock ticks, frost is white. Stars travel through the night. The railway station was deserted.'	'If you went too near the edge of the chalk-pit the ground would give way. Barney had been told this often enough.'	'There was a hand in the darkness, and it held a knife.'
'Finn lived by the sea and the sea lived by him. "It's a good day for sailing," his grandfather would have said.	'If you are interested in stories with happy endings you would be better off reading some other book.'	'The dragon opened its huge mouth, with its rows of long, sharp teeth, and belched.'
'I AM DROWNING IN THIS ROARING SILENCE.'	'Lucy walked around the House.'	'The island waited.'