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| TASK 1 – Re-read the story so far |

*There was once a child who did not want to go to school. The child did not want to tell anyone why. Instead the child made excuses…*

*… After hearing lots of excuses, the parent got fed up and sent the child to school. The child began walking to school as slowly as possible…*

*… The child was quickly summoned to the headteacher’s office. The headteacher began to question the child about why their attendance had been poor…*

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| TASK 2 |

1 – Write a diary entry for the child. What thoughts are on the child’s mind? Why are they feeling unhappy about going to school the next day?

2 - Write a script for a scene between the headteacher and the child – the headteacher should be asking the child about why they haven’t been coming to school. The child should give the headteacher some excuses, rather than revealing what is really the problem.