

## Writing – Sizzling Starts

Choose one of the pictures below to use as inspiration for your Narrative Sizzling Start



Example:

Pain ran through my head as I pried open my eyes. Warm, red liquid ran down my face. I propped myself up on my elbows, dragging myself across the twigs and dirt towards a large green bush that was just to my right. My shaking fingers reached up and touched my head...wet blood. The last thing I remembered was running through the bush, calling out for my loyal companion Charlie. Charlie! Where was he? "Charlie! Charlie? Charlie!" I yelled loudly into the empty scrubland around me. In the distance, I heard barking, then it stops suddenly...

The spotlight shone so brightly into my eyes, I was blinded. The murmur of the audience around me, whispering words I could barely hear. I took a deep breath into my lungs to try and calm my nerves, butterflies danced in my stomach. Closing my eyes, I tried desperately to remember back to my spelling lessons with Mr Price. "Do I need to repeat the word again?" the judge questioned from the panel. My dry mouth opened, but my mind was blank. "Stop, the word is STOP Angus," the judge repeated. I could picture the red sign in my mind, the word written in the dictionary and Mr Price writing it on the board, but I was frozen, no words would come out.