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To write a playscript

William's reunion with his mother was cold and unpleasant for him. Most children would have been greeted with open arms and love when they returned home. Today, your task is to write a playscript for one of these reunions. Hopefully, you will be able to act it out with a partner at home. Try switching roles and see if you find it easier as the child or the parent.

Success Criteria

Character names on the left Use a colon to separate speech from the character name. New line for a different speaker. Punctuation. Stage instructions for the cast and crew.

Red – include: people waiting, the train arriving and reunion

Green – include: people waiting, the train arriving, reunion and changes in the people.

Blue – include: people waiting, the train arriving, reunion; changes in the people and a surprise.

Example

Scene One

A smoke filled station at the end of the day. The platform is filled with people jostling each other to find a place to stand. A train pulls into the station.

Mother: Sorry. Can you let me through? I think my daughter is on this one. Thank you.

Children leave the train gradually and many of them are reunited with their mothers. The train appears empty until we see a girl stand at the door.

Mother:	Carrie! Carrie my love. Here. I'm here.
Carrie:	(Brightly) Oh Mum! I thought I'd lost my present for you. But it had fallen
	under the seat.

Mother: They look beautiful. Are they bluebells?

Carrie: How did you know that? Auntie Helen picked them with me this morning. She thought you might like them.

