

Activity: Keeping Verb Tenses the Same in Writing

When we write it is IMPORTANT to make sure we keep to the same tense all the way through. If we are writing a story it will often be in the past tense, so it is important that all the verbs are in the past tense.

Re-write the story, writing **all** verbs in the **past tense**:

We see a light shining by the cave. We pick our way down the path towards it. We slipped and fall as we catch our legs on the brambles. There is no moon to be seen but as we got nearer to the cave we see two men. They are loading boxes in the cave from the van. "What are they doing?" we wonder. The cave is soon full of boxes. We carefully take a closer look. Suddenly, we realise that these were stolen computers.

Extension:

Write your own short story in the past tense.