

Wrinkled Paper

If a Crumpled Ball Could Talk...

Time needed: 20-30 minutes

Recommended for late middle school and high school age children

Materials needed

Writing paper, pen or pencil, and a crumpled ball of paper.

Instructions

If this object could talk (a crumpled ball of paper, unfolded to show the wrinkles) what would it say?

Write a short story about the crumpled ball, now laid out flat as wrinkled paper. You may either write from the first person point of view of the object or write in third person about the object. If this piece of paper, a crumpled up, rolling ball could travel, where could it have gone? What could it have seen? What adventures did it experience? Consider a story that explores what life was like before it was crushed up, how the paper was wrinkled, when it happened, how it survived and how it grew and learned from this experience. Explore both positive and challenging emotions that might be associated with the experience of being crumpled up and left with wrinkles.



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