

What to do today

IMPORTANT Parent or Carer – Read this page with your child and check that you are happy with what they have to do and any weblinks or use of internet.

1. Analyse a video-message

- Watch Deanna Rodger's message again.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ahr9_4l-Fok
- Which of these memories seem happy? Which seem unhappy?
How would you describe the overall mood of this message?
- Write and highlight the *Transcript* to show some features of this script. You can check your answers at the end of this pack.

2. Think about your own memories

- Sit quietly for a moment and listen to the sounds you can hear and the feelings that you notice. Think about your own memories from this time.
- Use the *Memory Planner* to write and draw about five or six of your own memories.

3. Now for some writing

- Write a script about the things that you will remember.
- Try to include some of the features from Deanna's script: repetition, specific detail, alliteration, expanded noun-phrases and rhyme or half-rhyme.
- Practise reading and performing your script.

Well done. Share your script with a grown-up. Make a recording, if you can. Plan to watch it in six months' time.

Try this Fun-Time Extra

Interview people in your house and from elsewhere about what they will remember. Write up their memories for them and share a copy of your writing with them.

Transcript

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- Repetition
- Specific detail
- Alliteration
- Expanded Noun-Phrase
- Half rhyme

Things to remember when all of this is over:

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Remember the uncertainty of when she'd be able to play-date with her best mates again.

Remember clapping for carers with neighbours after a really wobbly day and this was a unity you needed to remember.

Remember your friends who self-isolated as strictly as you just so they could look after your kid while you gave birth to this one.

Remember the late-night panic purchase of AstroTurf for the concrete garden.

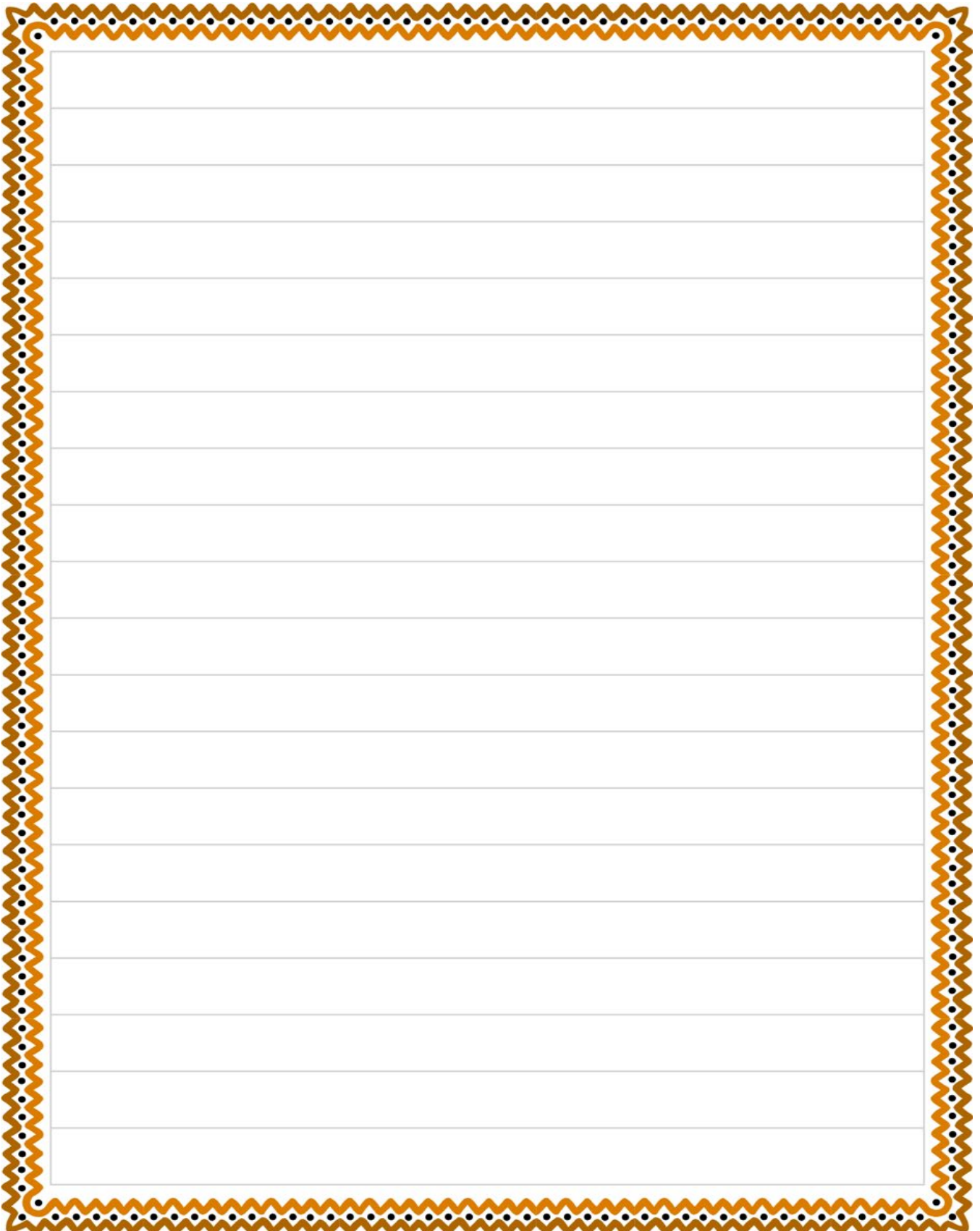
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Remember you did not get through this alone and that there really is no place like home.

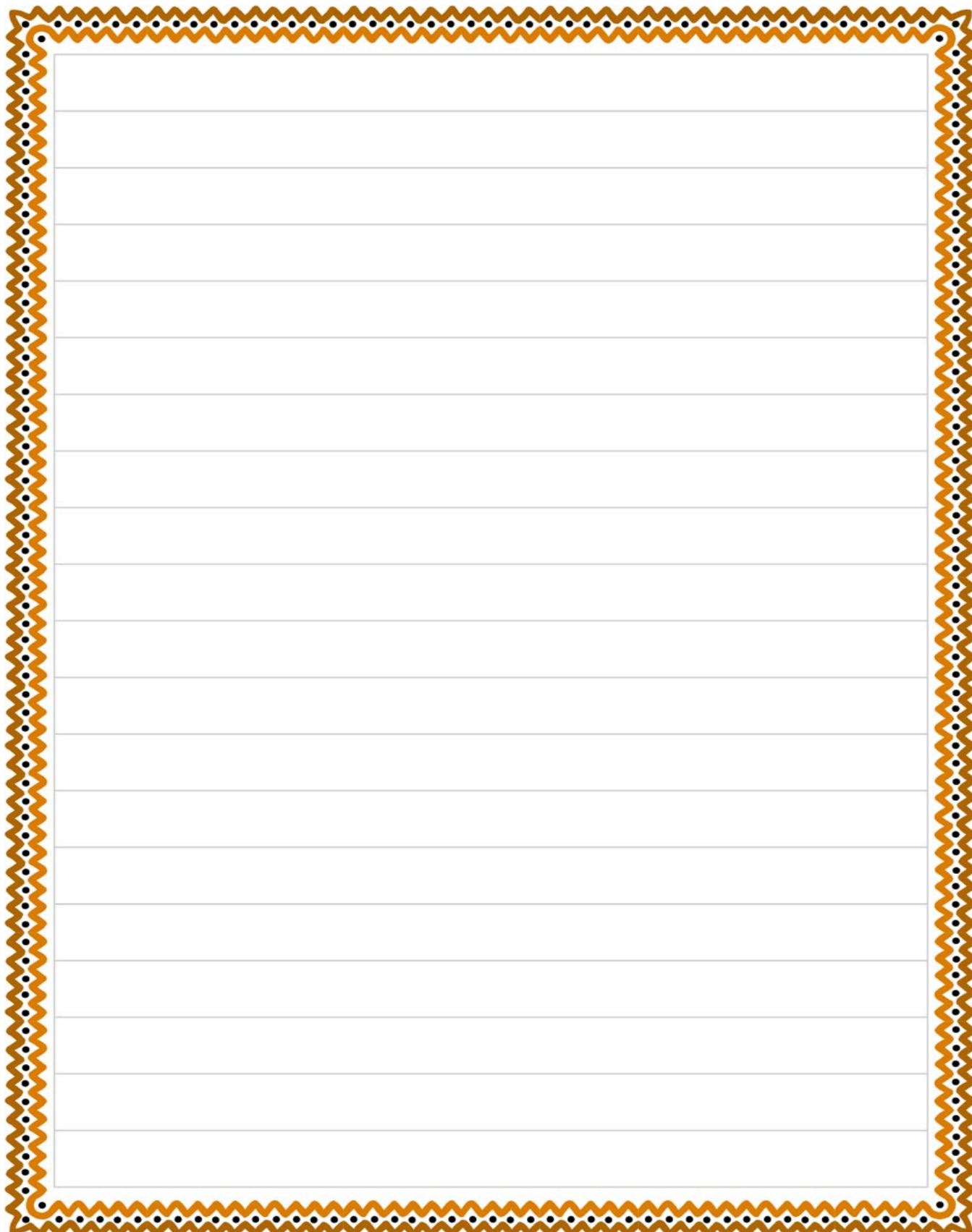
Memory Planner

Memory Script

Write a script about your things to remember here. Try to include some of the features from Deanna's message.



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