

## FINDING INSPIRATION AND GENERATING STORY IDEAS

### EARLY MEMORIES

Think of your earliest memories. Write about them. Develop into a story - truth or fiction.

### FIND A POWERFUL IMAGE OF A PERSON

Imagine what they are saying; thinking; feeling; seeing.

### FIND AN IMAGE OF TWO PEOPLE.

Imagine their conversation. Write a story about them.

### PICK AN OBJECT AND IMAGINE ITS STORY.

Who has owned it? What has it seen and heard?

### SCAN THE NEWSPAPERS

Look for unusual and interesting stories and develop them as fiction.

### USE YOUR NOTEBOOK

– Jot down overheard conversations. Develop them into stories.

### CHOOSE A BOOK

Open it at a random page. Pick a sentence, Develop into a story

### EMOTIONAL CHANGE

Using an image of two people, choose an emotion the image evokes (eg happy) Choose another emotion (eg Angry). Take the characters from one to the other.

### TWIST THE FAMILIAR

Choose a familiar setting (eg dinner party) Write about it. Introduce a twist. Who's at the door?