

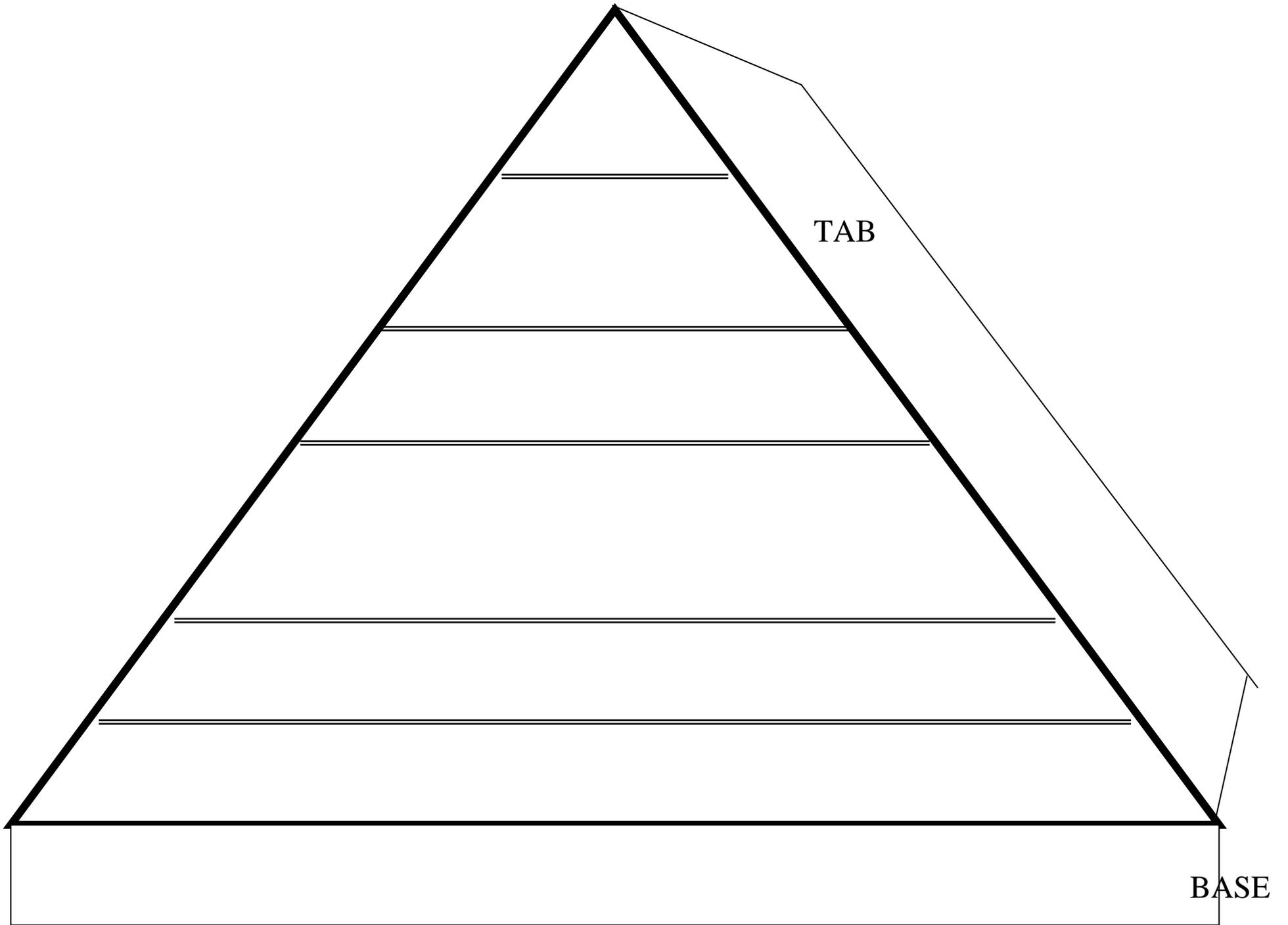
The VCOP* pyramind

Based on the work of Ros Wilson

Simply cut out the 4 triangles and paste together. These can then be used as a desk-top reminder/reference point for the children.

There are 5 “bands” on each of the 4 pyramids and the lower down the pyramid you go, the more sophisticated the writing should be!

*Vocabulary, Connectives, Openings and Punctuation



Cut Corners off tabs for a better fit

The ...
My ... I ...

First... Then... Next.. So..
Last... But... Another thing...
The last time... Soon... At last...
If... Another time... Because... After...

Another thing... After a while...
Although... Afterwards... Before...
Eventually... Sometimes... Often...

Never... Always... Besides... Even though... Before the/the
Meanwhile... Before very long... However... In addition... Despite...
An important thing... We always... If/then... I felt as... Although I had...
I discovered... Having decided... I actually... Despite... Due to...
As time went... Use of adjectives eg. The golden sun... The grumpy old man...

Having... Use complex sentence structures appropriately.
Vary sentence length and word order to keep the reader interested.

Sentence Openers

First.. So..
because.. next..
exciting.. afraid..
lonely.. interesting..

beautiful.. awful.. enormous..
fierce.. adventure.. accident.. magic..

gigantic.. weird.. freezing.. quietly.. silently..
bravely.. happiness.. joy.. sadness.. fear.. transport..
shelter.. baggage.. companion.. vehicle..

thunderous.. fearful.. marvellous.. attractive.. generously.. echo..
nervously.. worriedly.. patiently.. feelings.. courage.. experience..
peak.. patience.. wasteland.. container.. furnishings.. robe..

sensitive/ly.. timid/ly.. aggressively.. imaginatively.. unfortunate.. murderous..
echoing.. doubtful.. emotion.. anxiety.. longing.. progress(noun).. system.. communication..
ingredient.. vibration.. prefer.. nourish.. demonstrate.. enjoy.. leap..

outstanding/ly.. tender/ly.. biological/ly.. formidable.. outspoken.. stern.. comical.. pathetic..
yearning.. dwell.. dine.. progress(verb).. create.. adore.. foreboding.. speculation.. silhouette.. terrain..
apparel.. vision.. atmosphere..

Ambitious Vocabulary

and

but so then
because when

if after while as well as
although however also besides
even though never the less

in addition to contrary to despite so as to

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Connectives Pyramid

