To understand the structure of ‘The Caravan’

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| **The underlying pattern** | How this looks in The Caravan | Innovative Text |
| The main character is warned not to go to a dangerous place. | **Mitch is warned not to go to go playing up by the pylon**  **Because might get electrocuted**  **Old warning – trolls underbridge- does believe mum warning** | Julie and– is warned not to play by the rail tracks  Trip fall on rail  Electrocuted  Mum warns previously ‘if you don’t eat carrots you won’t be able to see in the dark’ didn’t come true |
| |  | | --- | | The dangerous place is described. | | The main character and a friend go to the dangerous place. | | **The pylon made odd creaking sounds when the wind blew.**  **It was there we found the caravan.**  **Moss clung to its wheels. It was a place of dead spiders and dust but it was our special place**  **It had been empty for years. If you go past, you’ll just see a small patch of overgrown land under the pylon, a mess of brambles and nettles that smothered the van.** | Goes with JENNY  Trees surrounding Hut are swaying violently – noise  It was there we found the hut-  Moss clung to the roof  Vines wrapped around the windows  the unstable wood creaked...  grass viciously invaded the walls spider webs covered the corners of the roof it was our special place  If you go past blends in with the trees , branches bushes plants overgrown weeds almost tying it to the ground  We made it nice by table- cushions carpet |
| |  | | --- | | A disaster occurs, e.g. they are trapped. | | Rescue attempt, e.g. the characters try to escape. | | Huge clap of thunder outside overhead, Connor looks out window, Huge lightning strike- hits Pylon.  Pylon falls- Mitch and Connor duck to floor- pinned there | Sitting eating feast- candle, torch  Talking about rugby  Train rushes down track- derails hear crashing– metal grinding and one carriage is pushed towards the hut- look out of window duck under the table as the walls collapse- Hits the rear corner back wall demolished  Almost pinned in fear |
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| **The rescue succeeds, e.g. they escape.** | Slithered across floor on belly commando style- out of door that has been forced open by strike.  To safety and laugh relief | Worried about roof collapsing completely stand on table to gap in roof created by impact- slide down to safety.  Laugh relief |
| **The main character has to face the person who gave the original warning. A lesson is learned.** | Home to mum, tell a lie about what had happened- tree fell -Mum suspicious.  Mitch reflects on what had happened – realises that Mum has been right | Home to mum, tell a lie about what had happened- Fell down a muddy hill into a ditch -Mum suspicious.  Mitch reflects on what had happened – realises that Mum has been right  . |