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** |  |
| |  | | --- | | 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.** |  |
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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 |  |
| **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 |  |