Listen, retell, confirm

A paired story, a three-detail check, and an optional private keepsake.

Work with two people. A larger group makes independent pairs. Choose a Storyteller and a Listener for round 1. Names and dates are optional. Print page 1 once and pages 2-3 twice per pair, one fresh set for each role round. Each PDF contains 3 pages.

Print matching US Letter at 100% / actual size. Pages 2 and 3 are the two working sheets.

1. Choose and tell

Storyteller: choose one starter below, or pass and choose another. No explanation is needed. Tell a short everyday story. A made-up story is welcome: label it Made-up story on both sheets.

2. Listen and retell

Listener: listen, then retell three different concrete details in your own words. Record one per page-2 row. Do not add a detail just to fill a gap; choose another detail from the story or ask about it.

3. Check and revise

Storyteller: check each detail. Mark Confirmed if right, or Corrected and supply the corrected wording. Either person may mark Uncertain rather than invent. Listener updates each checked/revised wording line. All three details need the Storyteller check.

4. Optional agreed keepsake

Together, optionally write or draw a short page-3 keepsake from checked page 2. Use confirmed/corrected wording; put any unresolved detail in the labelled Uncertain area. Add no unchecked details. Both choose an agreement mark or initials if keeping it. Either may decline without explanation or keep it private.

5. Switch once, repeat, then stop

Switch roles once for round 2. Repeat with fresh pages 2-3, then stop after both role rounds. The two keepsakes are optional. Agreement permits keeping a sheet within the pair; it is not publication consent or verified historical truth.

Six everyday story starters: pass freely or choose another

S01 Tell a small story about a place you enjoyed visiting.

S02 Tell how you learned to make or do one small thing.

S03 Tell about someone helping with a simple task.

S04 Tell an everyday story about an object you choose.

S05 Tell about an amusing, harmless mix-up.

S06 Tell about a detail you noticed on a walk.

A reader or scribe may read or write exact words with the pair. Sketches and chosen marks may replace lengthy writing. Two people still do the listening/checking; an unchecked solo record is not confirmed.

Listen and check three details

Listener retells; Storyteller checks each detail; Listener updates the checked wording.

Storyteller (optional mark): _____ **Listener (optional mark):** _____

Round: ☐ 1 ☐ 2: roles switched

Story label: ☐ Real story ☐ Made-up story

Retell three different concrete details in your own words. Mark one status for each after the Storyteller check. Corrected: write revised words. Uncertain: label what remains unresolved; do not invent. Use a fresh sheet for round 2.

1. Retold detail (Listener's own words):

☐ Confirmed ☐ Corrected ☐ Uncertain

Checked / revised wording (keep uncertainty labelled):

2. Retold detail (Listener's own words):

☐ Confirmed ☐ Corrected ☐ Uncertain

Checked / revised wording (keep uncertainty labelled):

3. Retold detail (Listener's own words):

☐ Confirmed ☐ Corrected ☐ Uncertain

Checked / revised wording (keep uncertainty labelled):

☐ All three details checked with Storyteller; revised words recorded.

Either person may decline a keepsake or keep it private. No explanation needed.

Our agreed story keepsake

Optional: use only checked page-2 wording and clearly labelled uncertainty.

Title (optional): _____

Story label: ☐ Real story ☐ Made-up story

Use confirmed/corrected wording from checked page 2. Add no unchecked details. Write or sketch a short story below; put any unresolved detail in the labelled Uncertain area. Keep the Made-up story label if fictional. This sheet is optional.

Our checked story or sketch

Uncertain - clearly label any unresolved detail

If keeping, both give a chosen agreement mark or initials below. Either person may decline without explanation. Agreement permits keeping within the pair only; it is not publication consent or verified historical truth. Names and dates are optional.

One person: _____ **Other person:** _____

☐ Keep private (optional) ☐ Declined keepsake - no reason needed