

Considering beginning words

The first words of a section of a text are carefully thought out by a skillful author. They can hook a reader and give an impression of the mood of the text and the kinds of ideas that might be explored as the text continues.

1. Read the beginning words of each section of 'Play With Your Words'. Explain your thoughts about what might be included in that section.

Introduction: 'Fantasy and science fiction writers love to make things up; it's what they do.'

The author Roald Dahl loved words.

Director Pierre Coffin also had fun with words in the *Despicable Me* science fiction movies.

Made-up words are great at making us laugh ...

2. Now read each section in full. Did the article go where you predicted or did you get some surprises? Explain.
