

Brainstorm 10 ideas - keep it light hearted
'I'll add a grumpy fairy to your giant with a toothache.'

Don't have all the answers
'I'm not sure. What do you think?'

Get the child to pick the 'best' idea.
'What really grabs you?'

Arrange story into sequence (Story graph).
'And then what happens? And after that...?'

Encourage kids to keep thinking deeper
'Mmmmmm. Great. I like it. What else?'

Make sure there's a strong ending.
'Terrific story. What will happen in the end?'

Plant the idea of two drafts.
'When you've drafted it, shall I help with...?'

Stay involved and enthusiastic.
'I can't wait to see it.'

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