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After your SpaG starter, have a thorough think about the question below.

How did Jim feel about losing Shrimps? Why?

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Indeed. I agree, my brainstorm was very similar to yours.

sad

devastated

mourning

How did Jim feel about losing Shrimps? Why?

disheartened

lost

depressed

...

The Thesaurus also suggests: miserable, beaten, heartbroken, crestfallen, gloomy, blue, inconsolable, ...

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Remember what connects the two key characters? What else can you add?

both were incredibly
poor

...

...

Jim & Shrimp

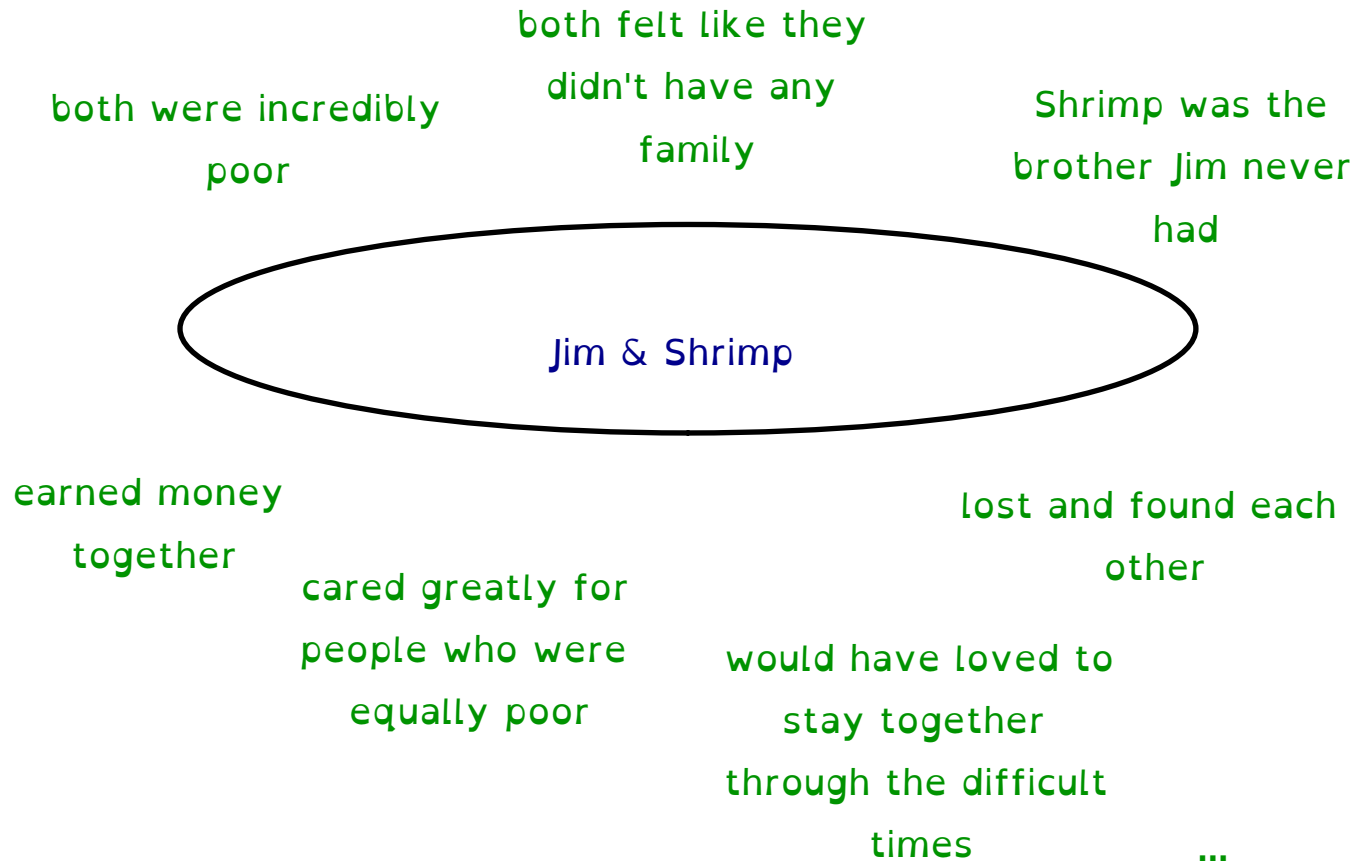
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Well done! And there is surely more - some unspoken.



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If you were Jim, what would you have wanted to say to Shrimps that you never got the chance to say?

remember the old times

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...
...

when you were ill, I was

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...

I wish we could

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...
...

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You are so right.

- remember the old times
 - cared for Rosie
 - had to hide from the police,
- danced together selling laces and helping Rosie,

when you were ill, I was
heart-broken
desperate to find help
filled with horror

I wish we could
stay and survive our days
together
dance and sell laces or
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start a show and get rich

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When writing this in the form of a letter, what could be our success criteria?

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Spot on!

When writing in role as Jim to Shrimps, I have ...

- used emotive language,
- use informal language (slang),
- included quotes,
- organised my writing in paragraphs,
- used subordination (including relative clauses),
- used some fronted adverbials,
- used modal verbs,
- used the power of 3,
- used figurative language as part of language for effect,
- proof-read thoroughly.

I am sure you found even more.

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Now, let's connect the notes of what Jim would want to say and the success criteria when writing the letter.
-> Complete the unfinished sentences.

Dear old ... that I never had,

Why did you leave me? Life
aint ...! I still remember, how we
first ... Us, hiding from the ...
utterly scared of ...

How bitter-sweet life is! Taken, treated worse than a dog, lost in the
world, I have at last ... Only, to loose ... Seeing you lay ... smashed my
heart into ... I ran desperate to I was filled with ...

Remember our dreams ...

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Here is my attempt.

Now, please continue

Dear old bruvver that I never
had,

Why did you leave me? Life aint fair! I still remember, how we first met. You selling laces, me dancing to sell fish. Us, hiding from the Bobbies utterly scared of the workhouse.

How bitter-sweet life is! Taken, treated worse than a dog, lost in the world, I have at last found you. Only, to loose you again. Seeing you lay on the ice-cold, dirty floor, bruised, weak and only a faint dark shadow of yourself, smashed my heart into a million pieces. I ran desperate to find help. I was filled with horror to not be able to rescue you, big bruvver, the only one I have in my life.

Remember our dreams we joked about in frozen nights? I so wish, we could finally ...

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Self assessment - Write down:

What went well today and why?

What do you need to improve? How and why?

