

Follow this pattern:

Start with the first strange events as a sentence of three and then show how the children react:

At that moment, the table began to shake, the windows rattled and the floor vibrated. Everyone stopped what they were doing and the room fell silent.

At that moment, ...

Next, introduce the new threat. Tell us where it came from and what it looked like:

In a blink of an eye, an enormous spider, as big as a horse, shot out of the game and landed in the centre of the crowded classroom. Everyone froze. Its enormous, hairy legs were tensed, ready to pounce and its whole body seemed to pulse. Eight bulging eyes scanned the room and then ...

In the blink of an eye, ...