STORY NOTES:

Mom asked for a story about a dragon.

Katie named her, and suggested the house.

Adriane said she was asleep, and

A. WHERE TO START!

the story grew from there.

To write stories with your own children, start off by giving them an idea:

"Tell me a story about ...??"
a dragon / a puppy / a witch...

If they need additional prompting, ask some questions:

Where does ?? live? What does ?? eat? Who are ?? friends?

Don't worry, before long, "Tell me a story..." will be enough!

SAUCY DRAGON WAKES UP

Saucy was sound sleep in her house, which was a lot like ours. Her mommy called her to wake up, because it was time for breakfast.

Saucy hid her head under her wing and snored very loudly.

"Poor Saucy." Said her mommy. "She's so sleepy. She can sleep for a few more minutes."

Ten minutes later, Saucy's alarm went off. Her mommy came in and woke her up with lots of dragon kisses (snorts on the neck), and hugs.

Saucy jumped out of bed, flapped her little wings, and waddled to the kitchen for a big bowl of Cherrios.

Then she went outside to play, before going to school.

THE END

STORY NOTES:

This story is almost entirely Adriane's memory of going to the circus.

She sat Katie beside her on the floor, and told her about what they were pretending to watch, while mom sat behind them, taking notes!

D. MAKE A NOTE!

When your child is happy with the story, write it in a notebook. You can do this on the computer, but my girls liked to use the notebook for bedtime story reading, which is always nicer with an actual book.

They could even add artwork to illustrate their own stories!

AT THE CIRCUS

Adriane and Katie are at the circus. There are HUGE elephants, with ladies on their backs. There are also baby elephants following their mommies around the ring.

Up on a high wire is a tight rope walker. That looks scary! She does lots of tricks.

Some men push a lot of big tigers into a cage. The tigers aren't too happy about that, but they do some tricks too.

Then the clowns come out and jump around, making everyone laugh.

When the circus was over, they can hardly wait to run home and tell mommy all about it.

THE END