

In class, we made a Key Word Outline for these paragraphs. If you didn't finish it in class, you can finish it now.

Ivan the Gorilla

Ivan was a gorilla. He was born in a forest in Africa. He was part of a large family called a troop. The leader was called the silverback.

Before Ivan grew up, he was stolen by poachers. Another baby was stolen at the same time. Her name was Burma. Ivan and Burma were taken to Tacoma, Washington. Burma soon died.

A cage in the mall became Ivan's home. He watched TV. He played with an old tire. Sometimes he finger-painted. Mostly, he watched the humans watching him.

Below is the rest of Ivan's story. Use another Key Word Outline form to outline these two paragraphs for next time.

A long time passed. People became angry about Ivan's lonely life. They wrote letters to get Ivan into to a zoo. Finally, when Ivan was twenty-seven years old, he moved to a zoo in Atlanta.

Ivan learned how to get along with other gorillas. He made friends with them. At last, Ivan could live in a place with trees and grass again. Now he was happy. He lived until he was fifty years old.