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## One Line Tale Answer Key

- Somebody: Tariq
- Wanted: He wanted to perform his magic trick successfully at the talent show.
- But: He dropped the coin when he became nervous.
- So: He picked it up and tried the trick again.
- Then: The trick worked, and the audience applauded.
- Example one sentence summary: Tariq wanted to perform his magic trick at the talent show, but he dropped the coin because he was nervous, so he tried again, and then the trick worked and the crowd applauded.

### Teacher's Guide

- This worksheet teaches students to **condense information** using the **Somebody-Wanted-But-So-Then** structure.
- For differentiation:
  - Allow struggling writers to complete only three boxes first before adding the remaining parts.
  - Ask advanced students to revise their summary to remove extra words while keeping meaning.
- For engagement:
  - Read the story aloud and pause after each sentence to identify its role in the strategy.
  - Let students share summaries with partners and compare wording choices.
- For extension:
  - Have students apply the same strategy to a chapter from a class novel or independent reading book.
  - Challenge students to write their own paragraph and exchange it with a classmate to summarize.