Learning intention – to plan an alternative ending.

In the Highway Man poem, the ending is a sad one with Bess sacrificing herself for her true love and then he gets shot by the king’s men. You are going to change the ending of the poem, so it has an alternative ending. Alternative means a different ending, something else happens instead of death.

You need to decide what happens at the end and who it happens to.

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| **What happens?** | * Bess gets out of the ropes after struggling.
* She manages to shoot the musket at one of the king’s soldiers and wounds him.
* She ran out of the inn and down the road.
* She found the Highway Man on the way
* They rode off together never to be seen again.
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| **Why it happens?** | * She managed to catch the ropes on a sharp piece of metal on the bed frame.
* She was determined to save the Highway Man’s life and wanted to live in happiness with him.
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| **Who it happens to?** | * Bess frees herself and saves the Highway Man, wounding one of the soldiers as she goes.
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Use the example I have given you to help you create an alternative ending. Remember to use bullet points, you do not have to include too much details, it is a plan.