#### THE JOHN GREEN PUZZLE

Steps to follow:

- 1. Cut out all sentences
- 2. Group each sentence according to the following topics:
  - John Green's Arrival and Settling in Dublin
  - John Green's description
  - The building of the store
  - The store's goods
  - John Green's hobby and community interests
- 3. Decide on the topic sentence of each section
- 4. Arrange the sentences under the topic sentence
- 5. Write the story on another sheet of paper
- 6. Be sure you write a TITLE, indent and punctuate!

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His trotter, Directum, was a world champion.

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Other things he sold were lamps, tools, boots, bonnets, yard goods, buggy whips, gloves, beans and rice in open sacks.

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At that time Donlon Way was the crossroad.

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In those days, Green's store was in an ideal spot.

He did not like the area so he loaded all of his possessions on an oxcart and came over the hills to Dublin.

He also studied law, especially law about land grants.

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