

## Year 7 homework

Across the summer term, the core of our homework programme is a highly ambitious reading programme in which students will read a challenging text in each of their subjects, and answer questions on what they have read. The texts chosen relate to what students are studying in class, but they add to and enrich classroom lessons.

They have been chosen because they reflect ‘the best of what has been written and thought in our subjects’.

They might have been written by a great thinker in the subject. The text might be a piece of inspirational writing that scholars in the subject love. It might be a piece of commentary on a key idea, written for an educated and well-read audience. It may introduce the students to a scholarly journal or magazine, where they can read the same texts professionals in the field will read.

This term, our year 7 students will read:

Subject	Curriculum focus	Reading homework
English	Myths and Legends	<b>Extract from Homer's <i>The Odyssey</i>- Athene visit Telemachus</b> <a href="https://forms.office.com/Pages/ShareFormPage.aspx?id=g8skaJzAh0mVhF_jA83_WcaddNIh7m5LfbXm6yzYrtUMVBaS1RQNIFMREtOOFrKV0c3WEdXM0QxTy4u&amp;sharetoken=kuQBpTi4wLyX0YhS6GeX">https://forms.office.com/Pages/ShareFormPage.aspx?id=g8skaJzAh0mVhF_jA83_WcaddNIh7m5LfbXm6yzYrtUMVBaS1RQNIFMREtOOFrKV0c3WEdXM0QxTy4u&amp;sharetoken=kuQBpTi4wLyX0YhS6GeX</a>
Maths	Shape/Geometry	<b>Medium – an online platform with over 100 million readers sharing contemporary ideas</b> ‘Finding Geometry in Nature’ <a href="https://medium.com/purple-museum/finding-geometry-in-nature-797523737555">https://medium.com/purple-museum/finding-geometry-in-nature-797523737555</a>
Science	Acids/ alkalis - Chemistry focus	<b>Royal Society of Chemistry</b> ‘The Chemistry of Shipwrecks’ <a href="https://edu.rsc.org/feature/the-chemistry-of-shipwrecks/4015904.article">https://edu.rsc.org/feature/the-chemistry-of-shipwrecks/4015904.article</a>
RE	Unanswered prayers	<b>Albert Einstein</b> <a href="#">What Einstein Said about Scientists and Prayer   by Mike Schoultz   Medium</a>
History	Henry II and Thomas Becket	<b>BBC History Magazine (Jan 2021)</b> <i>‘How Thomas Becket rose from the dead’</i>
Geography	The Middle East	<b>Mirai Port, a sustainability focused organisation</b> ‘The Middle East’s transition to green energy is underway’ <a href="https://www.mirai-port.com/en/planet/1795/">https://www.mirai-port.com/en/planet/1795/</a>
Art		<b>Art in Context website</b> ‘Why is Art important?’ <a href="https://artincontext.org/why-is-art-important/">https://artincontext.org/why-is-art-important/</a>
Music	World music	<b>‘Giving immigrants a positive musical voice’</b> by composer Nitin Sawhney in the Financial Times <a href="https://www.ft.com/content/ccbc4391-2063-41b0-8874-b80c428ee978">https://www.ft.com/content/ccbc4391-2063-41b0-8874-b80c428ee978</a>
MFL	Poetry and literature	<b>Jacques Prévert’s poem entitled ‘This Love’, ‘Cet amour’:</b> <a href="https://www.otago.ac.nz/deepsouth/vol3no1/campbell.html#thislove-ndx">https://www.otago.ac.nz/deepsouth/vol3no1/campbell.html#thislove-ndx</a>
Computing	Online Safety	<b>House of Lords library</b> Loot Boxes in computer games: are they a form of gambling? <a href="https://lordslibrary.parliament.uk/loot-boxes-in-computer-games-are-they-a-form-of-gambling/">https://lordslibrary.parliament.uk/loot-boxes-in-computer-games-are-they-a-form-of-gambling/</a>

### How can you support your child with this homework?

- Why not read the articles with them and discuss the issues?
- Use this list as a checklist, ticking off each reading as they complete it
- Recognize and praise the achievement of your child, who has read some very complex and demanding texts by completing these homework tasks.