



Suggested Mixed Age Curriculum Map - Year 3/4



Cycle A

Theme/Term	Magic & mystery Autumn 1				Dreams & desires Autumn 2			
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	Sparky Jenny Offil		Escape from Pompeii Christina Balit		History: Ancient Rome		The Mermaid of Zennor Charles Causley	
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks		16 sessions, 3+ weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks	
Outcomes	Own traditional tales Short news reports, diaries, character descriptions, adverts		Newspaper reports Setting descriptions, diaries, letters, thought bubbles		Own version legends Information booklets, retelling from a different perspective, letters, tourist guides updates, dialogue		Brochures Instructional writing (escape plan, experiment), descriptions, advertisements, letters of advice, dialogue	
Literary Leaf Text		Earth Shattering Events Robin Jacobs	Science: Volcanoes		The Firework Maker's Daughter Philip Pullman		The Lost Spells Robert MacFarlane	
Length	15 Sessions, 3 weeks		14 sessions, 2+ weeks		10 sessions, 2 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks	
Theme/Term	Hope & healing Spring 1				Overcoming adversity Spring 2			
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text		Winter's Child Angela McAllister		The Tear Thief Carol Ann Duffy		The Lion and the Unicorn Shirley Hughes		Cinderella of the Nile Beverley Naidoo
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks		18 sessions, 3+ weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks	
Outcomes	Fantasy story sequels Descriptive poems, postcards (recount), dialogue, setting descriptions as letters, retellings		Newspaper article Shared poems, diary entries, persuasive posters, letters of explanation, discussions		Own historical narratives Letters, diaries, character and setting descriptions, non-chronological reports		Own version narratives Descriptive passages, how to guides, letters, discussions, non-chronological reports	
Literary Leaf Text		The Poet's Dog Patricia MacLachlan		How Does a Lighthouse Work? Roman Belyaev		Two Weeks with the Queen Morris Gleitzman		I am the Seed that Grew the Tree Fiona Waters
Length	15 Sessions, 3 weeks		12 sessions, 2+ weeks		16 Sessions, 3+ weeks		12 Sessions, 2+ weeks	
Theme/Term	From mystery to discovery Summer 1				Pride & downfall Summer 2			
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text		The Last Garden Rachel Ip		How to Live Forever Colin Thompson		FaRther Grahame Baker Smith		Our Tower Joseph Coelho
Length	15 Sessions, 3 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks	
Outcomes	Own version extended narrative Setting descriptions, advertisement/ poster, retelling, instructional flyer, social media updates, dialogue		Prequels Lost posters, dialogue, setting and character descriptions, ledger entries, instructions, letters of warning		Sequel stories Retellings, recounts (postcards), setting descriptions, diary entries, instructions		Extended fantasy narratives Poems, setting descriptions, diary entries, dialogue, letters of thanks	
Literary Leaf Text		Mr Penguin and the Lost Treasure Alex T. Smith		Africa, Amazing Africa Atinuke		A Necklace of Raindrops Joan Aiken		New and Collected Poems for Children Carol Ann Duffy
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks	



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Cycle B

Theme/Term	Imagination & freedom Autumn 1				Invention & transformation Autumn 2					
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	Tar Beach Faith Ringgold	The First Drawing Mordicai Gerstein	History: Stone Age	Shackleton's Journey William Grill				The Iron Man Ted Hughes		
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	10 sessions, 2 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks				18 sessions, 3+ weeks		
Outcomes	Narrative retelling as a play script Poetry, setting descriptions, formal letters, dialogue (as a script)		Own historical narratives Character descriptions, diaries, recounts		Newspaper reports Packing lists (justifications) letters (formal and informal), interviews, diaries		Mystery narratives Character descriptions, short news bulletins, letters of advice, diary entries, menus, logbook entries			
Literary Leaf Text	Zombierella Joseph Coelho	Annie Lumsden, <i>The Girl from the Sea</i> David Almond	History: Stone Age	The Story of Flight Jakob Whitfield	The Wild Robot Peter Brown					
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks		12 sessions, 2+ weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks					
Theme/Term	Finding your future Spring 1				Unearthing civilisations Spring 2					
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	Cloud Tea Monkeys Mal Peet	The Selfish Giant Oscar Wilde	History: India	Weslandia Paul Fleischman	The Ever-Changing Earth Grahame Baker-Smith					
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks					
Outcomes	Non-chronological reports Descriptions, 'how to' guides (instructions), letters, discussions		Own version narratives about kindness Letters, first person recounts, diaries, letters, posters, reports		Imagined land narratives Character description, informative posters, persuasive leaflets, logbook		Narrative sequels Informal letters, explanatory leaflets, list poems, dictionary of terms			
Literary Leaf Text	Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats T. S. Eliot	Tamarind and the Star of Ishta Jasbinder Bilan	History: India	The Humans: Ancient civilisations Jonny Marx	Poems from a Green and Blue Planet Sabrina Mahfouz					
Length	12 sessions, 2+ weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks		20 sessions, 4 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks					
Theme/Term	Taking Courage Summer 1				Fantasy worlds Summer 2					
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	The Riddle of the Runes Janina Ramirez	The Tin Forest Helen Ward	History: WW2	The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe C. S. Lewis	The Zebra's Great Escape Catherine Rundell					
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	10 sessions, 2 weeks		15 sessions, 3 weeks						
Outcomes	Historical fiction narrative (alternative ending) Character descriptions, crime scene setting descriptions, dialogue,		Persuasive information leaflets Persuasive posters, information leaflets, postcards, diaries,		Own version narratives (set in other worlds) Poems, eyewitness reports, an imaginary conversations, writing in		Own version 'great escape' narrative Wanted poster, letter, action scene, poetry, dialogue			
Literary Leaf Text	Viking Voyagers Jack Tite	Norse Myths Kevin Crossley-Holland	History: WW2	The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe C. S. Lewis	Adventuremice: Otter Chaos Philip Reeve & Sarah McIntyre					
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks		20 sessions, 4 weeks	12 sessions, 2+ weeks					