



Suggested Mixed Age Curriculum Map - Year 5/6



Cycle A

Theme/Term	Legends, Folklore and fairy tales - Autumn 1			Power vs. principles Autumn 2		
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	Rumaysa Radiya Hafiza	Grimm Tales for Young and Old Phillip Pullman	Rain Player David Wisniewski	The Tempest William Shakespeare	History: The Mayans	
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	17+ sessions, 3 + weeks		
Outcomes	Fairy tale (prequel) Warning poster, diary entry, villain's lair advert, character description, missing narrative	Own version traditional tales Retellings, character studies, monologues, character comparisons	Analytical essays about The Maya Instructions, posters, missing scenes, diaries, newspapers, debates			Playscripts Setting descriptions, character descriptions, diaries, dialogue
Literary Leaf Text	When the Stars Come Out Nicola Edwards	Grimm Tales for Young and Old Phillip Pullman	The Explorer Katherine Rundell	Sir Gawain and the Green Knight Michael Morpurgo		
Length	12 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	20 sessions, 4 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks		
Theme/Term	A Sense of Place - Spring 1			Crime and Punishment - Spring 2		
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	Kaspar, Prince of Cats Michael Morpurgo	OR The Unforgotten Coat Frank Cottrell Boyce	The Three Little Pigs Project The Guardian	The Island Armin Greder		Science: Space
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	11 sessions, 2+ weeks	15 sessions, 3+ weeks		
Outcomes	Newspaper articles Character descriptions, reports, letters, advertising leaflets, balanced reports	Own version narratives Diaries, explanations (science experiment), dialogue, non-chronological reports	Discussion texts News reports, persuasive speeches, interview scripts, diaries, debates, narratives			Sequel Welcome guide, description, letter of advice, diary entry in role, imagined conversation
Literary Leaf Text	The Story of Titanic for Children Joe Fullman	Incredible Journeys Levison Wood	The Good Thieves Katherine Rundell	Cosmic Frank Cottrell Boyce		
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	20 sessions, 4 weeks		
Theme/Term	Solving Mysteries – Summer 2			Lessons in History - Summer 2		
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	Curiosity Markus Motum	The Strange Case of Origami Yoda Tom Angleberger	Anne Frank Josephine Poole	Resist Tom Palmer	History: WW2	
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	10 sessions, 2+ weeks	16 sessions, 3 weeks		
Outcomes	Expanded explanations NASA Proposals, information labels, short explanations, NASA logs, news reports	Discussion texts Instructions, persuasion, diaries	Newspaper articles Letters, short descriptions, extended diary entries, obituaries, opinion pieces			New chapters Journalistic writing, recounts, discussion texts
Literary Leaf Text	The Polar Bear Explorers' Club Alex Bell	Real-life Mysteries: Can you explain the unexplained? Susan Martineau and Vicky Barker	Poems from the Second World War Gaby Morgan	Letters from the Lighthouse Emma Carroll	History: WW2	
Length	18 sessions, 3+ weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	18 sessions, 3+ weeks		



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Cycle B



Theme/Term	Fate & Fortune - Autumn 1			Legend, Folklore and Fairy tales - Autumn 2		
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	The Lost Happy Endings Carol Ann Duffy	Romeo and Juliet William Shakespeare	Beowulf Michael Morpurgo	Firebird Saviour Pirotta and Catherine Hyde		
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3+ weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	10 sessions, 2 weeks		
Outcomes	Alternative perspective prequels Letter, poetry, passage of direct speech, diary entry, story ending	Balanced argument Diaries, letters, narratives, character descriptions, balanced arguments	Own version legends Letters of advice, diaries, dialogue, descriptions, action scenes, obituaries	Fairytale narratives Formal letters, retellings, character descriptions		
Literary Leaf Text	The Listeners Walter de la Mare	The Tiger Rising Kate DiCamillo	The Wolves of Willoughby Chase Joan Aiken	The Secret of Haven Point Lisette Auton		
Length	10 sessions, 2 weeks	18 sessions, 3+ weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	17 sessions, 3+ weeks		
Theme/Term	Inspiration & Activism – Spring 1			Power Vs Principles – Spring 2		
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	Hidden Figures Margot Lee Shetterly	OR The Invention of Hugo Cabret Brian Selznick	OR Percy Jackson Rick Riordan	The Odyssey Gillian Cross		
Length	17 sessions, 3+ weeks	17 sessions, 3+ weeks	20 sessions, 4 weeks	20 sessions, 4 weeks		
Outcomes	Non-chronological report Reports, formal and informal letters, diaries, character descriptions, journalistic writing	Biographies Diaries, journalistic writing, flashback narratives, speeches, discussions, letters, film critiques	Mythical narratives Odes, soliloquies, setting descriptions, additional chapters, reports	Epic stories Speeches (proclamation, persuasive, soliloquy), dialogue, missing scenes		
Literary Leaf Text	Malala Malala Yousafzai	The Invention of Hugo Cabret Brian Selznick	Who Let the Gods Out Maz Evans	Mythologica Dr. Stephen P. Kershaw		
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	17 sessions, 3+ weeks	14 sessions, 2+ weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks		
Theme/Term	Journey & Migration – Summer 1			Affirmation & Equality		
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	The Arrival Shaun Tan	OR Leila and the Blue Fox Kiran Millwood Hargrave	The Lost Thing Shaun Tan	OR Freedom Bird Jerdine Nolen		
Length	17 sessions, 3+ weeks	20 sessions, 4 weeks	16 sessions, 3+ weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks		
Outcomes	Extended narratives Letters, lists of rules, character descriptions, diaries, guides	Extended blog entry Poetry, informal messages, formal letters, short information texts, diary entries, narrative / action scenes, tweets	Own version narratives Diaries, formal letters, adverts, character and setting descriptions, reports	Biographies Non-narrative poems, explanations, dialogue, postcards, letters of advice, descriptions, recounts, narrative poems		
Literary Leaf Text	A World Full of Journeys and Migrations Martin Howard	Darwin's Voyage of Discovery Jake Williams	The Wonderling Mira Bartok	Black and British: A short, essential history David Olusoga		
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	12 sessions, 2+ weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks		



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