

5 MINUTE STARTERS

Language and presentation features

IDENTIFY THE LANGUAGE FEATURES IN THE PASSAGE BELOW:

Lucy listened carefully. It was hard to hear above the howl of the wind and the roar of the sea. There was definitely someone out there though, she was sure of it. As quiet as a mouse, she tiptoed nearer to the window. The footsteps seemed to be getting louder and louder. Lucy froze, terrified that whoever was there would see her. 'This is ridiculous' she thought, 'I will not be a hostage to fear!'. She pulled back the curtain and stared into the dark.



WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING PRESENTATION FEATURES WOULD YOU EXPECT TO SEE IN A LETTER?

Columns

TITLE

Headline

Caption

Addresses

Image

Greeting

Subject line

Salutation

Subheadings

Date

IDENTIFY THE LANGUAGE FEATURE USED IN EACH SENTENCE:

The trees shivered.

Mist covered the hill like a blanket.

He took him down a peg or two!

The bacon sizzled in the pan.

Desperation seized her!



LANGUAGE OR PRESENTATION FEATURE?

Bullet points

Metaphor

Discourse marker

Bold

Rhetorical question

Subheading

FACTS

Alliteration

Italics

Images

Repetition

Headline

Caption

Onomatopoeia

IDENTIFY THE LANGUAGE FEATURES IN THE PASSAGE BELOW:

The air fizzed and popped with excitement. No one had seen him for years. Kalim's heart soared. Not since he was a teenager, had he felt this happy. He felt like he could float on air, as light as a feather. His dad always said to him that 'you should never meet your hero, son', but Kalim knew he was wrong. He had to be. He glanced at his watch. 'Not long now' he thought, 'finally, we'll find out. Finally, we can put those rumours to bed once and for all!'.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF WHEN YOU SEE THESE COLOURS?

RED

Black

Green

White

Yellow

IDENTIFY THE LANGUAGE TECHNIQUES USED BELOW:

He had the last laugh in the end.

The shop was a gold mine.

‘Abandoned children found in filthy, flea infested flat.’

He had a heart of stone.

I nearly died laughing!



CREATE A RHETORICAL QUESTION FOR EACH OF THE SCENARIOS BELOW:

- ★ You want your friend to give you their lunch.
- ★ You want the lady in your favourite shop to give you a discount.
- ★ You want your parents to let you stay out late at night.



IDENTIFY THE LANGUAGE FEATURES IN THE PASSAGE BELOW:

It was the most beautiful place she had ever seen. The river sparkled in the sun, the wind whispered gently through the trees and lavender scented the air. She sat down on the soft grass and felt her worries drift away. She felt safe, secure, settled. Nothing could reach her here. She took the deepest breath she had taken in years, closed her eyes and embraced her new found freedom.



IDENTIFY THE EMOTIVE LANGUAGE IN THE SENTENCES BELOW:

- ★ Britain is on the verge of a population explosion!
- ★ The shopping centre was like a disaster movie.
- ★ Mrs Jones is a tyrant.
- ★ ‘He’s a maniac, I tell you!’
- ★ ‘I will be devastated if you go.’

