

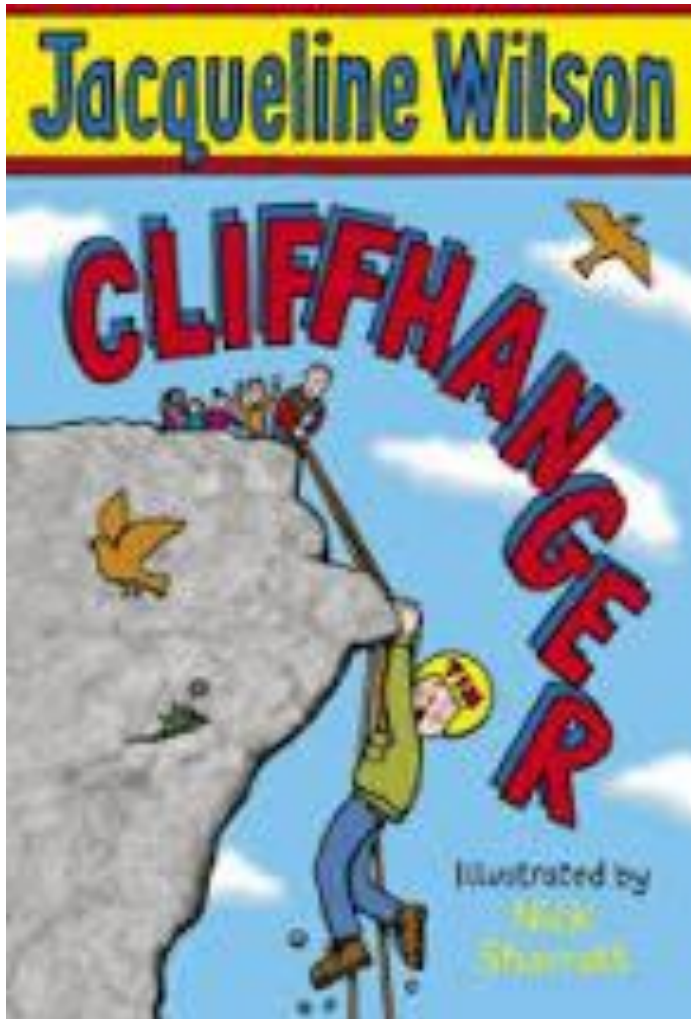
English Lesson Year 3

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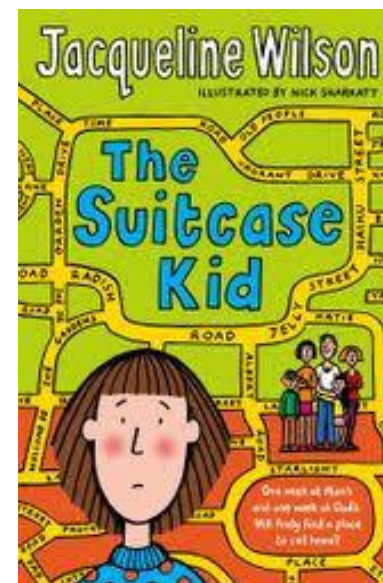
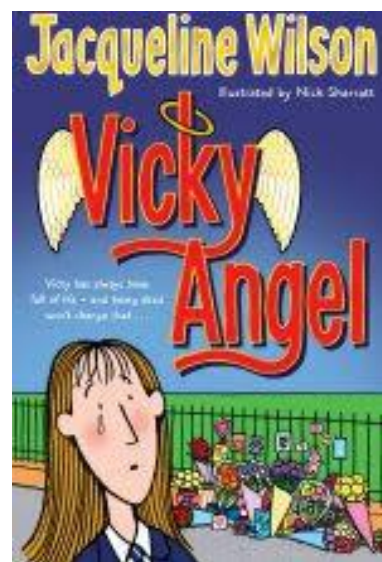
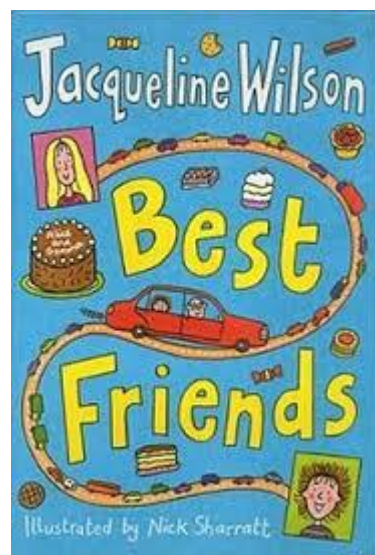
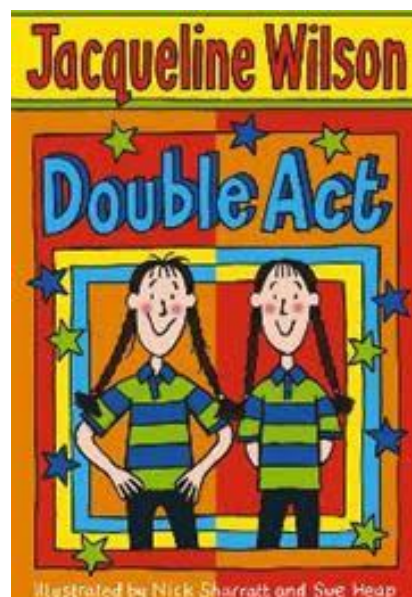
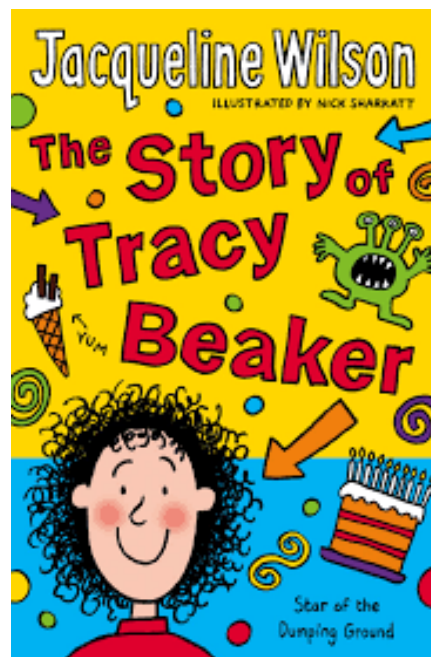
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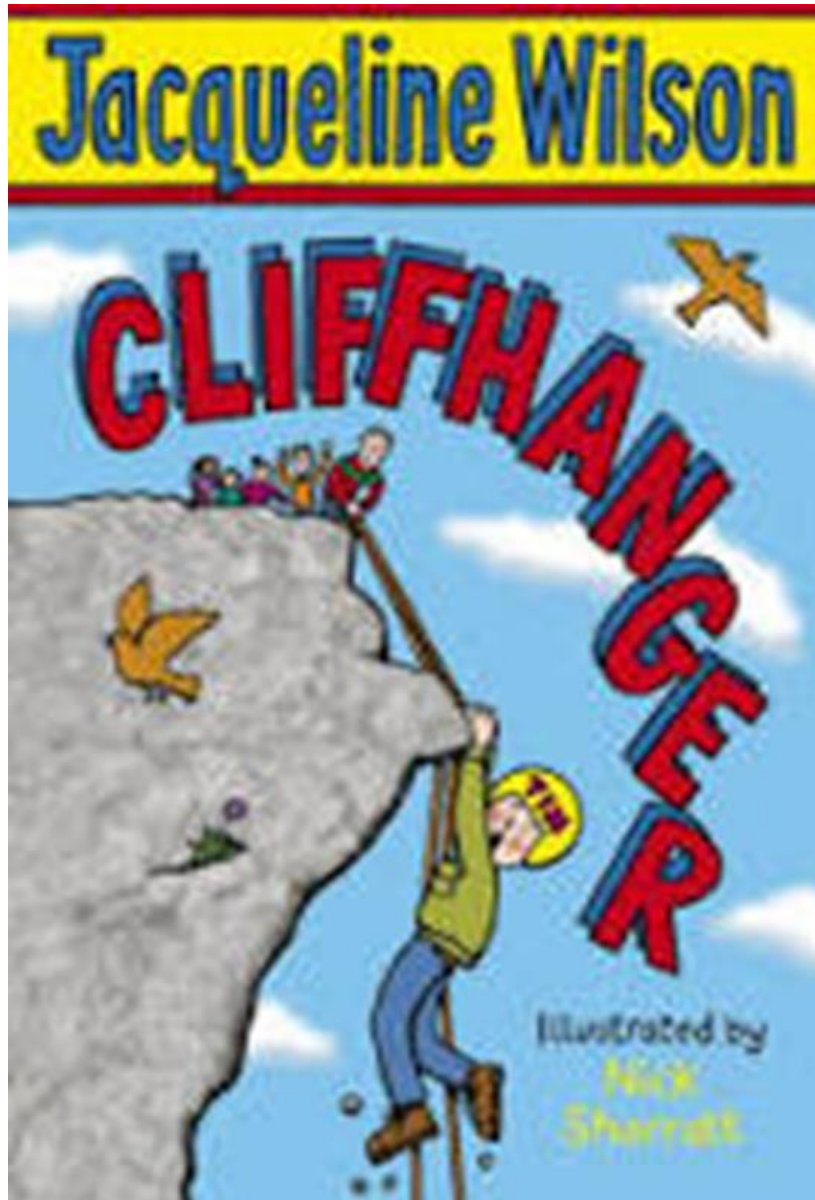
Can I write a discussion text?

Over the next few weeks all our Literacy work is going to link with this book. Have you read any books by the same author before?



When we were learning about biographies, we read about the life of Jaqueline Wilson. What can you remember about her?





What do you think the story is going to be about?

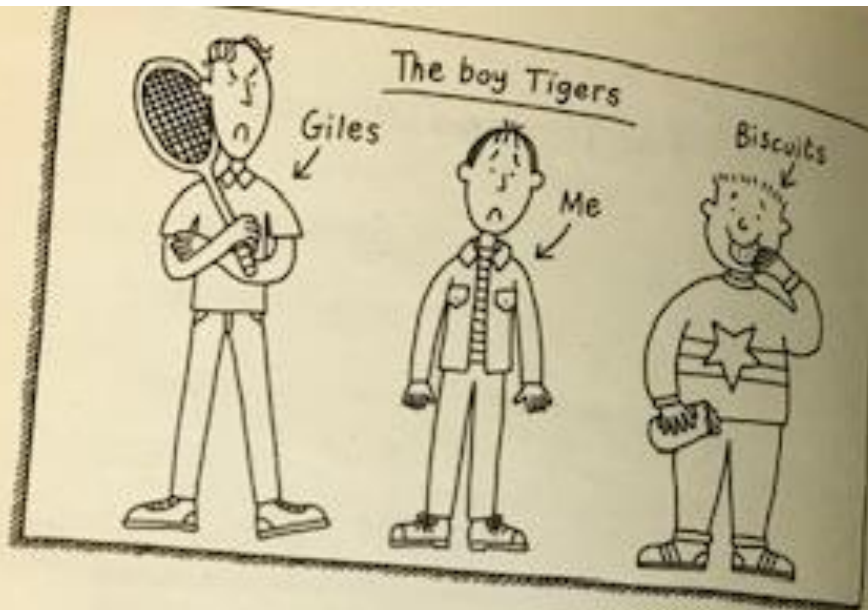
Who are the characters in the book?

What is a Cliffhanger?

Let's now read the first few pages of the book together with Mrs Milne.

Use this link but make sure you ask an adult first.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nCdRPrpHv3g>



Chapter One

I *knew* I'd hate it. I kept telling and telling Dad. But he wouldn't listen to me. He never does.

'I like the sound of this adventure holiday for children,' said Dad, pointing to the advert in the paper. 'Abseiling, canoeing, archery, mountain biking...'

'Sounds a bit dangerous to me,' said Mum.

I didn't say anything. I went on watching telly.

'How about it, Tim?' said Dad. 'What about an adventure holiday, eh?'

'You can't be serious! Tim's much too young,' said Mum.

I still didn't say anything. I went on





watching telly. But my heart had started thumping under my T-shirt.

'He's nine, for goodness sake!' said Dad.

'But he's young for his age,' said Mum.

I still didn't say anything. I went on watching telly. I stared hard at the screen, wishing there was some way I could step inside.

'Tim?' said Dad.

I didn't look round quickly enough.

'Tim! Stop watching television!' Dad shouted.

I jumped.

'Don't shout at him like that,' said Mum.

'I'm not shouting,' Dad shouted. He took a deep breath. He turned his lips up into a big smile. 'Now, Tim – you'd like to go on an adventure holiday, wouldn't you?'

'He'd hate it,' said Mum.

'Let him answer for himself,' said Dad. He had hold of me by the shoulders.

'I – I don't really like adventures much, Dad,' I said.

Dad went on smiling, but I think he wanted to give my shoulders a shake.

'Well, what do you like, Tim?' asked Dad.

'Watching telly,' I said.

Dad snorted.

'And drawing and reading and doing puzzles,' said Mum. 'And he comes top in all his lessons at school. Apart from games. You know he's hopeless at sport.'

'Only because he doesn't give it a try,' said Dad. 'I was Captain of football and cricket when I was a boy.'

Dad had tried to teach me football. Dad had tried to teach me cricket.

He had tried. And I had tried. But it hadn't worked.

'Tim can't help being bad at games,' said Mum, pulling me away from Dad.

She gave me a cuddle.
'It's because you've turned him into
a right Mummy's boy,' said Dad. 'I
think an adventure holiday would do
him the world of good.'

Discuss these
questions about
what you have
just read.

What does Dad want Tim to go on and where does he see the advert?

How old is Tim?


Why is Tim trying to ignore what Dad is saying about the adventure holiday?

Why does Mum not want Tim to go on the adventure holiday?

How do you know Tim really doesn't want to go on the adventure holiday?

What do you think Dad means when he calls Tim a Mummy's Boy?

Answers on
the next slide
so no peeking!



How did you get on?

What does Dad want Tim to go on and where does he see the advert?

Dad wants Tim to go on an adventure holiday. He had seen an advert in the paper.

How old is Tim? Tim is nine years old.

Why is Tim trying to ignore what Dad is saying about the adventure holiday?

Tim is trying to ignore Dad because he really does not want to go on the holiday.

Why does Mum not want Tim to go on the adventure holiday?

Mum doesn't want Tim to go because she thinks he is too young.

How do you know Tim really doesn't want to go on the adventure holiday?

Tim is ignoring Dad and he keeps on watching the TV and he wishes he could be somewhere else.

What do you think Dad means when he calls Tim a Mummy's Boy?

I think Dad means that Tim is soft and wants his Mum to stick up for him all the time.

This is Tim!



I need your help! Should I go on the adventure holiday or not?

You wrote a discussion text a couple of weeks ago!

Should Tim go on the adventure holiday?

Think about what we have read so far and see if you can come up with 2 reasons why he should go and two reasons why he shouldn't go on the adventure holiday.

Today we are going to write a discussion text to present both sides of the argument.



Should Tim go on the adventure holiday?

Can you come up with 3 reasons for each?

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>

There are some idea on the next slide if you can't think of 3

Should Tim go on the adventure holiday?



For



Against

He will get to experience new and exciting activities that he may be good at- abseiling, canoeing , archery, mountain biking

It is a way to meet new friends.

He needs to prove to Dad that he is not a baby and can try new sports and activities

He doesn't like sports and is good at reading, drawing and puzzles.

The activities are quite dangerous and he has no experience of these things.

Mum doesn't want him to go and thinks it is too dangerous

Recall your learning from a few weeks ago, when you wrote a discussion text.

You are going to use the reasons for and against to write a discussion text about whether Tim should go on the adventure holiday or not.

Read the example on the next slide to help you. Then, you can use the sentence starters to help you write your discussion text.

Should Tim go on the adventure holiday?

Title

We have been discussing whether or not Tim, from the story Cliffhanger, should go on an adventure holiday. This is being discussed because Tim has asked us to help him and think of the reasons for and against going on this holiday.

First of all, many people think that Tim should go on the adventure holiday because it will be a way for him to experience new, exciting, outdoor activities that he hasn't tried before. Although he is a little frightened of trying new sports, he might end up enjoying them and actually be good at them. Furthermore, Tim should go on the holiday because he will make new friends and have a fun time with them. One final reason for Tim going on the adventure holiday is that he needs to prove to his Dad that he is not a 'baby' and can be more grown up and mature.

Reasons for going on the holiday

On the other hand, there are some people who believe that Tim should not go on the adventure holiday and they have a number of reasons for suggesting this. They state that an adventure holiday could be dangerous, especially activities such as abseiling which Tim has never done before. In addition to this, they believe that Tim shouldn't have to go on this holiday just because his Dad wants him to toughen up! Tim is good at drawing and doing puzzles so it would be better for him to go on a holiday that has these activities instead.

Reasons against going on the holiday

In conclusion, my own opinion is that Tim should go on the adventure holiday because it is good to try new activities however he should make it clear to the instructors that he is nervous and scared and that if he needs to stop doing an activity he has this as an option.

Your opinion and suggestion

Some people believe.....

These are a few examples of how to introduce an argument in a discussion text.

Some people state.....

Some people think....

One reason for is

Although some people are against, there are many people who believe that.....

A large majority of the class believe.....

If children didn't, then this would cause.....

Having considered both sides of the argument, I believe that...

To conclude, I think that...

In conclusion,

Finally, having listened to both sides, I think that....

Although there are arguments for both sides of the discussion, I believe that.....

Finally, I recommend that.....

These are a few examples of how to finish a discussion text and state your opinion.

On the other hand, many people believe.....

Alternatively, others think that...

However, many people are against.....

These are a few examples of how to introduce a counter argument in a discussion text

Although some people are for....., other people are against this because

A large majority of the class are against because

If children.....

Use these sentence starters to help you write your discussion text.

If you need more help, use the sentences on the next slide to help you structure your writing.

Should _____

We have been discussing whether or not Tim _____

This is being discussed because Tim has asked _____

First of all, many people think that Tim should go on the adventure holiday because _____

Furthermore, Tim should go on the holiday because

One final reason for Tim going on the adventure holiday is that

On the other hand, there are some people who believe that Tim should not go on the adventure holiday and

They believe that an adventure holiday could be dangerous because

In addition to this, they believe that _____

Their final reason is _____

In conclusion, my own opinion is that _____

How did you do?

I can't wait to look at your work.



Don't forget to put your
finished work on Class
Dojo!