

English Writing Year 6 Summer 1



Year 6 Pathways to Write: Summer 1

Additional texts:

Great Adventurers by Alastair Humphreys (class novel to link)

Swimming with Seals by Gillian Clarke (available online)

The Fantastic Undersea Life of Jacques Cousteau by Dan Yaccharino (optional)

NC Word List – Years 5 and 6		Developing Vocabulary	
accompany	equipment	fascinated	marine
achieve	foreign	villainous	scorpion fish
amateur	muscle	surrounded	dorados
conscience	programme	perilous	emeralds
conscious	shoulder	pioneer	sapphires
curiosity	sufficient	inventor	rubies
determined	vehicle	legacy	checkerboard fish
environment	yacht	innovations	truckfish
		camouflaged	moustache
		seascape	

Outcome: Recount - Biography

Writing outcome:

To write a multi-modal biography of Jacques Cousteau in the style of the 'Great Adventurers' text

Greater depth writing outcome:

To add a section entitled 'How Jacques Cousteau inspired me' linked to his role in the conservation debate

Additional writing opportunity:

Pupils plan and write an imaginary adventure story

Recount – Biography writing includes:

- Select the appropriate style to engage the audience
- Use direct and reported speech to express a range of viewpoints
- Use verb tenses consistently and correctly
- Use real life facts, including dates and place names
- Use thematic language specific to the subject
- Use formal language appropriately

Non Negotiables in Year 6 Writing Summer 1

- Extend the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although
- Organise paragraphs around a theme
- Use fronted adverbials
- Choose appropriate pronouns or nouns within and across sentences to aid cohesion and avoid repetition
- Use punctuation at Y4 standard correctly