

### Literacy and English - Grammar



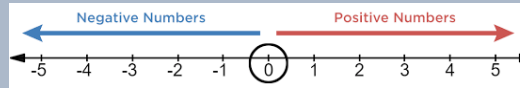
**Starter** - Read for **25 minutes a day**. Read a story, a newspaper, a comic that you have at home.

**Main Challenge** - Find some examples of figurative language

Examples: similes, metaphors, alliteration, onomatopoeia. Follow this link for more information: [BBC Figurative language](#)

**Extra Challenge:** Think about how the language improves the story/text.

### Numeracy and Mathematics - Number



**Starter:**

- Pick a number between 0 and -10.
- Count forwards from this number.
- Count backwards to get back to the number you started from

**Main challenge:**

- Make a number line to show your counting.
- Count up/down in 2s, 3s, etc.

### Health and Wellbeing- exercise



- Play balloon volleyball with someone in your family.
- Suggestions: play on your knees, use one hand or only use your head!

### Literacy and English - Film review



**Starter** - Think of a film you like. Talk about the film in English or in your home language with someone in your home.

**Main Challenge** - Write a review of this film. You can use the attached sheet. (page 3)

**Extra Challenge** - Record your 'Summary of plot' (page 4) on an iPad, phone or read it aloud.

### Numeracy and Mathematics - Decimal numbers



- Roll a dice 3 times.
- Write down the numbers.  
e.g. 2 5 1
- Put a **decimal point** after the first number to have a number like this: 2.51.
- Describe each number e.g. 5 = 5 tenths.

**Challenge:**

- Repeat the activity 5 times.
- Order the numbers from smallest to largest?

### STEM- Making and using salt dough



Design a **character** or **object** from your **reading book**.

You can **draw** it or make it using **salt dough**. Your **object** could be the **jewellery** worn by a **character** or a **building** in the story.

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/how-make-salt-dough-recipe>

## Literacy and English - persuasive writing



Choose a topic

- Do school pupils need a 3-day weekend?
- Do dogs make the best pets?
- Do we need time limits for screen time?

Write down your opinions.

Use the writing guide on Page 4 to help you.

## Numeracy and Mathematics - Estimating



- Draw a **line**.
- Write 0 at one end and 1 at the other end.
- Ask someone to say a number with one or two **decimal places** e.g. 0.7, 0.15.
- Mark the number where you think it sits on the **number line**.
- Ask for another number and mark it on the number line. Repeat this a few more times.

## Expressive Arts - Music



- Ask these **questions** to your friends and family.  
What is your favourite **type** of music?  
Why do you like this type of music?  
How does it make you **feel**?  
Is it **connected** to your past?
- Listen to each piece of music.
- Do you like them too?

## Literacy and English - writing



Watch this clip: [BBC Write Song Lyrics](#)

- Choose a **song**.
- Write new **lyrics** for the song.
- Include exciting words and phrases - use the **figurative language** link above [BBC Figurative language](#)

## Numeracy and Mathematics - Calendars

**Main challenge:**

- Think of two **dates**.

Example: today and your birthday.

- How many days are there **between** the dates?

Use a **calendar** to help if you need one.

**Extra challenge:**

If your birthday was **half-way** between Christmas one year and Christmas the next year, when would it be?



## Social Studies - Weather

Make a simple **rain gauge**

Follow this link: [Making a rain gauge](#)

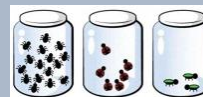
- Cut the top off a **plastic bottle**.
- Mark the side in **centimetres**.
- Put it outside.
- Record **how much rain** it collects.
- Make a **table** to track the weather over the week.



## Literacy and English - Root words

- Look at the grid on Page 5.
- Use the **word bank** to fill in the missing word meanings
- Use a dictionary or ask someone if they can help you think of any more words

## Numeracy and Mathematics - Puzzle



- Yasmin has 3 **jars**.
- There are 7 **more** bugs in the first jar **than** the second.
- There are 3 **less** bugs in in the third jar **than** the second.
- There are 40 bugs in total. **How many** are in the first jar?

## Health and Wellbeing



- Watch some of these cooking shows [CBBC Dish up](#)
- Film a "Cooking Show" while baking or making lunch or dinner.

Film Review



Film Title:

Genre and style of film (✓)

Tick (✓) the genre of your film.

Adventure/Action Comedy/Humour

Drama Science Fiction

Suspense/Mystery Fantasy

Plot Summary:

At the start...

In the middle/Then...

At the end/Finally...

Star rating



Draw a picture of the setting of the film (place and time)

Who are the main characters?

The main character/s are \_\_\_\_\_

Which character do you like the best and why?

I like \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_

How does the film make you feel and why?

I felt \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_

Who would enjoy this film and why?

\_\_\_\_\_ would enjoy this film because \_\_\_\_\_

## Persuasive Writing

Persuasive writing is an important skill to develop. It can help us to **share our opinions** in a considered and thoughtful way. It also helps us to listen to and respect **other peoples' opinions**.

1. Choose 1 topic you feel strongly about. Here are some ideas...

*People should be fined for dropping litter. Superman is a better superhero than Batman.*

*School pupils should have 3-day weekends. Dogs make the best pets.*

2. Use the following structure to help organise your ideas and opinions.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Introduction</b> - Introduce the topic</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Sentences starters:</b> In my opinion..... I feel that.... Some people think, Surely, The reason for this is...</p>	<p><b>My notes</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Main section</b> - State your strongest argument first               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use evidence/facts make your arguments and opinions strong</li> <li>- Use a new paragraph for different points</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p><b>Sentences starters:</b> Firstly.... Surely, It seems to me that... It is well-known that ..... In addition.... Also.... Others must agree... On the other hand...</p>	<p><b>My notes</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Conclusion</b> - Summarise the main points and repeat your opinion</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Sentences starters:</b> Clearly, Obviously, It's easy to see why, Without a doubt.. For this reason...</p>	

## Latin Root Words

Root words, prefixes and suffixes can help us work out what new words mean.

### 1. More commonly used words

Use the word bank to help you fill in the missing words

Root	Meaning	Example
aqua		aquarium
contra/counter		contradict
aud		audience
cent		century
circum		circumference
scrib/script		inscription
mort		mortal
multi		multiple

#### Word bank

against	many	water	one hundred
to write	around	death	to hear

### 2. Less commonly used words

Use the word bank to help you fill in the missing words

Root	Meaning	Example
ambi		ambiguous
bene		benefactor
dict		dictatorial
duc/duct		conduct
fac		factory
form		conform
mal		malevolent
fract		fraction

#### Word bank

good	to lead	bad	to say
break	to do/to make	both	shape

### 3. Can you find other examples of words using any of these roots, prefixes or suffixes?

Example: aqua - aquatic

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