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Year A

	Theme/text	T4W Focus	Construction (paragraphing/ organisation)	Punctuation (link to No- Nonsense Grammar)	Vocabulary (link to spelling)	Grammar (link to No-Nonsense Grammar)	Cross- curriculum or guided reading links	Outcome
Term 1 Unit 1	Quest Story – Journey to the Lonely Mountain (Hobbit)	Setting	Sequence of paragraphs: Character and friend given a task and prepare; set off on journey; on the way something small goes wrong and MC overcomes; Successively worse things happen but are overcome; MC reaches goal; MC reflects on events.	Basic Sentence.,?!	Prepositions, atmosphere	Adjectives, adverbials, sentence of 3	The Hobbit. Myths and legends.	Quest Tale in own setting
Term 1 Unit 2	Discussion – animals in zoos	Reasoned and balanced view of an issue Audience and purpose	Opposing views, balanced argument. Sequence of paragraphs: Introduction of what and why; Key arguments for and against;		balanced argument –	Sentence signposts for adding information, different points, opinions, and conclusions.	Current issues	Arguments for and against chosen theme – vegetarianism, fox hunting,

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			conclusion –					
			summarise and					
			personal					
			opinion.					
Term 2	Beat The Monster	Character	Sequence of	Speech –	Inverted comma	Statement,	Roman	Beat the
Unit 1	Tale - Spiro		paragraphs:	inverted		question,	Empire	monster tale
			Setting created	commas,		exclamation,		where hero
			and all is well;	punctuation		command.		wins by guile,
			MC having a	of speech.		Expanded		not violence.
			good time in	Exclamations,		Noun		
			chosen setting;	questions		phrases,		
			Monster			'show not		
			introduced and			tell', sentence		
			lives change for			of 3, adverbs		
			worse; MC					
			makes plan and					
			defeats					
			monster; All is					
			well and					
			characters					
			reflect and look					
			to future.					
Term 2	Instructions –	Purpose,	Sub headings.	Bullet points		Sequencing	Roman	Electricity:
Unit 2	Roman Soldier	audience,	Opening to			words,	Empire.	How to be
	/formations		explain what				Electricity	safe/make a
			and why; what					circuit
			is needed; list of					
			steps in					
			chronological					
			order, often					
			with diagrams;					
			Ending – extra					

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			points, warnings					
			or					
			encouragement.					
Term 3	Tale of Fear – The	Action	Sequence of	Exclamations	Rhetorical	Adverbials,	Animals of	Tale of
Unit 1	Nightmare Man		paragraphs:	for impact	questions,	verbs/tense,	Farthing	overcoming a
			Character is		'empty' words,	conjunctions	Wood	fear.
			afraid of		dramatic			
			something and		connectives			
			is teased; MC					
			starts to do					
			something;					
			what MC fears					
			actually					
			happens; MC					
			overcomes the					
			fear; MC					
			reflects, is					
			proud of self					
			and looks to					
			future.					
Term 3	Recount/Letter	Structure,	Letter format –	Apostrophes	Formal /	Past tense,	Visit	Recount as a
Unit 2	Dinoworld	chronological	formal vs	for omissions,	informal	formal vs		Letter – day
		order.	informal.	Contractions,	language	informal		out / trip to a
		Purpose &	Introduction	possession		language,		theme park
		audience.	who, what,	(singular and				
			where, when	plural)				
			and why;					
			detailed events					
			in order;					
			conclusion -					
			how writer felt					

			about the events. Sign off.					
Term 4 Unit 1	Losing Tale David's Watch	Description, Feelings of loss/guilt	Sequence of paragraphs: Main character is given something; MC goes off with the gift; Loses gift, searches an vain, returns home to face consequences; MC finds gift unexpectedly; reflects on events and provides moral	Speech, sentence of 3.	Personification, Simile/metaphor	Adjectives, expanded noun phrases, sentence of 3, 'show not tell'		Story of losing a precious item
Term 4 Unit 2	Information – NCR RATMAN	Audience Purpose	Paragraphs, subheadings. Introduction; sections for each area; interesting facts; conclusion.	Bullet points	Technical vocabulary,	Generalisers, fronted adverbials, present tense, third person,	Topic	Superhero factfile. Roman cooking & food?
Term 5 Unit 1	Finding Tale	Suspense	Sequence of paragraphs: Introduce main character; finds something amazing /		Rhetorical questions, 'empty' words, dramatic connectives	Adverbials, verbs/tense, conjunctions	Stig of the Dump	

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			unusual;					
			something goes					
			wrong and it is					
			the fault of the					
			object; MC has					
			to put object					
			back/throw it					
			away/hide					
			it/call for					
			help/sort it out;					
			All is well again					
			and lessons					
			have been					
			learnt.					
Term 5	Explanation		Sequence of		Technical vocab	Time/Causal		
Unit 2			paragraphs:			language		
			Introduction –					
			what or why;					
			Key reason;					
			causal					
			sequencing of					
			events;					
			conclusion –					
			final outcome					
Term 6	Warning Tale	Cliffhanger	Sequence of	Ellipsis,		Adverbials,	Danny	
Unit 1			paragraphs:	Speech		clauses and	Champion of	
			Characters			conjunctions	the world	
			warned not to					
			do something;					
			set off despite					
			warning and do					
			what warned					

			not to;				
			something goes				
			wrong and end				
			up in trouble,				
			one gets free				
			and goes for				
			help; rescued				
			and told off;				
			characters				
			consider				
			consequences,				
			lesson learnt?				
			Have they				
			changed?				
Term 6	Persuasion	Purpose,	Sequence of	Bullet points,	Persuasive	Short	
Unit 2		audience,	paragraphs:		language,	sentences,	
		Informal	Opening with a			alliteration,	
		language,	hook; logical			rhyme,	
		questions,	order of series			imperatives	
		alliteration,	of points,				
			closing				
			statement				

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Year B

	Theme/text	T4W Focus	Construction (paragraphing/ organisation)	Punctuation (link to No- Nonsense Grammar)	Vocabulary (link to spelling)	Grammar (link to No-Nonsense Grammar)	Cross- curriculum or guided reading links	Outcome
Term 1 Unit	Wishing Tale – 3 Billy Goats Gruff	Character	Sequence of paragraphs: Main character wants something; decides to get it, makes a plan; prevented by a difficulty; overcomes difficulty and gets what they wanted; was it worth it? Learnt a lesson? Have things changed?	Speech		Expanded Noun phrases, 'show not tell', sentence of 3, adverbs		
Term 1 Unit 2	Instructions – How to trap a Troll	Purpose, audience,	Sub headings. Opening to explain what and why; what is needed; list of steps in chronological order, often with diagrams; Ending – extra points,	Bullet points		Sequencing words,	How to train Your Dragon	How to trap a mythical creature

			warnings or encouragement.					
Term 2 Unit 1	Defeating the Monster –St George	Setting	Sequence of paragraphs: Setting created and all is well; MC having a good time in chosen setting; Monster introduced and lives change for worse; MC makes plan and defeats monster; All is well and characters reflect and look to future.	Speech – inverted commas, punctuation of speech. Exclamations, questions	Inverted comma	Statement, question, exclamation, command. Expanded Noun phrases, 'show not tell', sentence of 3, adverbs	The Reluctant Dragon	Retelling of George and dragon (Dragon's pov) Defeat a monster story.
Term 2 Unit 2	Information – Meadow Ridgeback	Audience Purpose	Paragraphs, subheadings. Introduction; sections for each area; interesting facts; conclusion.	Bullet points	Technical vocabulary,	Generalisers, fronted adverbials, present tense, third person,		Book of British Dragons
Term 3 Unit 1	Quest Story – Perseus & Medusa	Sentence Style & Speech	Sequence of paragraphs: Character and friend given a task and prepare; set off on journey; on	Basic Sentence . , ? !	Prepositions, atmosphere	Adjectives, adverbials, sentence of 3		

			the way something small goes wrong and MC overcomes;					
			Successively worse things					
			happen but are overcome; MC					
			reaches goal; MC reflects on					
			events.					
Term 3 Uni	Explanation – why do you		Sequence of paragraphs:		Technical vocab	Time/Causal language	Science	How an animal is adapted to
	need to defeat		Introduction –					its
	Medusa?		what or why; Key					environment.
			reason; causal					
			sequencing of					
			events;					
			conclusion – final					
			outcome					
Term 4 Uni	Warning Tale –	Action	Sequence of	Exclamations	Rhetorical	Adverbials,		
1	The Canal		paragraphs:	for impact	questions,	verbs/tense,		
			Characters		dramatic	conjunctions		
			warned not to		connectives			
			do something;					
			set off despite					
			warning and do					
			what warned not					
			to; something					
			goes wrong and					
			end up in					
			trouble, one gets					

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			free and goes for help; rescued and told off; characters consider consequences, lesson learnt? Have they changed?					
Term 4 Unit 2	Recount/Letter	Structure, chronological order. Purpose & audience.	Letter format – formal vs informal. Introduction who, what, where, when and why; detailed events in order; conclusion - how writer felt about the events. Sign off.	Apostrophes for omissions, Contractions, possession (singular and plural)	Formal / informal language	Past tense, formal vs informal language,	Topic day/Visit	Recount as a Letter
Term 5 Unit 1	Finding Tale – The thing in the basement	Suspense	Sequence of paragraphs: Introduce main character; finds something amazing / unusual; something goes wrong and it is the fault of the		Rhetorical questions, 'empty' words, dramatic connectives	Adverbials, verbs/tense, conjunctions	The Firework Maker's Daughter	Monster in the attic/basement story!!

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				to put object					
				back/throw it					
				away/hide it/call					
				for help/sort it					
				out; All is well					
				again and					
				lessons have					
				been learnt.					
	Term 5 Unit	Discussion –	Reasoned	Opposing views,		balanced	Sentence	Current	
	2		and balanced	balanced		argument –	signposts for	issues	
			view of an	argument.			adding		
			issue	Sequence of			information,		
			Audience	paragraphs:			different		
			and purpose	Introduction of			points,		
				what and why;			opinions, and		
				Key arguments			conclusions.		
				for and against;					
				conclusion –					
				summarise and					
				personal					
				opinion.					
	Term 6 Unit	Losing Tale	Description,	Sequence of	Speech,	Personification,	Adjectives,		
	1		Feelings of	paragraphs:	sentence of 3.	Simile/metaphor	expanded		
			loss/guilt	Main character is			noun phrases,		
				given something;			sentence of 3,		
				MC goes off with			'show not tell'		
				the gift; Loses					
				gift, searches an					
				vain, returns					
				home to face					
				consequences;					

			MC finds gift unexpectedly; reflects on events and provides moral				
Term 6 Ur 2	Persuasion – 5 Palm Hotel	Purpose, audience, Informal language, questions, alliteration,	Sequence of paragraphs: Opening with a hook; logical order of series of points, closing statement	Bullet points,	Persuasive language,	Short sentences, alliteration, rhyme, imperatives	Come to our school!