KS3 English -Classic Modern Literature - Watership Down

Subject	Students will use speaking and listening, reading and listening skills in every lesson.
curriculum	Students will discuss the key events and characters; and use role play / hot seating to explore key events and characters
intent:	Students will identify and use features that writers use to engage and interest the reader (language and structure, e.g. descriptive language, plot).
iiii Ciiii	They will engage in detailed character /setting studies; and sequence texts in which events are logical
	Students will identify and use dialogue and speech marks
	Students will create and shape their own texts, write texts linked to a book, and organise information following the structure of a story.
	Students will develop understanding of spelling, punctuation and grammar.
	Reasoning - Children will predict and anticipate events based on the actions of key characters and settings using the language of cause and effect.
	Evaluation - Children will express their own views and preferences against agreed criteria to evaluate their own work and the work of others.
	Empathy - Writing, reading and listening to stories will help children to understand what others might be thinking or feeling in a particular situation.
	Social skills - When working collaboratively, children will listen to and respect other people's ideas. They will undertake a variety of roles in group
	contexts.
	Communication - Children will develop their ability to discuss as they work collaboratively in paired, group and whole-class contexts. They will communicate
	outcomes orally, in writing and through ICT when appropriate.
Intent for	Students will revisit and build upon skills and knowledge developed in studying narrative in previous years.
this topic:	In this unit pupils will experience and explore modern works of literature. They will develop an understanding of the difference between fiction and non
mis Topic.	fiction. They will revisit the genre narrative - story telling, character, setting and plot. They will learn how a character develops in a longer story and
	become familiar with key parts of the story.
	Students will use this knowledge to develop appropriate skills to identify descriptive language and dialogue in their reading, watching and listening and
	produce texts that describe and entertain.
	Students will learn how to plan, write, edit and proofread their own text in the style of a story related to the War and Peace.
	Suggested Text:
	Watership Down, Richard Adams
Key	Vocabulary revisited:
•	Fiction, modern literature, narrative, sequence, author, plot, beginning, build up, conflict (problem), end, conclusion, character, feelings, emotions,
vocabulary	personality, motives, appearance, describe, setting, verb, adverb, adjective, simile, noun, pronoun, dialogue, language, structure
taught	
within this	Topic specific vocabulary:
topic:	Rabbit, warren, home, buck, doe, danger, destruction, habitat, development, industrialisation, vision, gift, future, prophecy, seer, predator, oppression
Links to	History - Britain's changing landscape
other	Science- Living things and their environments
subjects:	Drama - Role play and hot seating activities
Subjects.	PSHE - The United Convention on the rights of the world - realising rights
	ICT - Researching information about the author / other books by the author, drafting, editing and presenting written work.
	DDS Anticles: This unit of work is linked to Anticles 14 of the UN Convention on the Diabets of the Child
	RRS Articles: This unit of work is linked to Articles 14 of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.
	Article 14 (freedom of thought, belief and religion) Every child has the right to think and believe what they choose and also to practise their religion, as
	long as they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights. Governments must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents to guide their
	child as they grow up.

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Wks	Stage of Talk for Writing Approach	Aim	Main activity
Wks 1-3	Immersion & imitation	Students learn and internalise model text. Students identify transferable ideas and structures	Cold Task / Have a Go Task Use an interesting stimulus/ starting point with minimal teaching and students to write modern creative writing / Watership Down Immersion - explore a range of modern fiction, different settings and characters, build up word bank of useful words. Watch clips of film/TV show. Listen to Bright Eyes, Art Garfunkel Explore structure of modern narratives. Introduce model text of Watership Down - story map and learn text. Role play scenes from model text Box up model text Use Narrative Therapy & Colourful Semantics to learn model text
Wks 4-5	Innovation	Students use ideas and structures Students co- construct new versions of original text with support	Students identify and arrange key features of a modern narrative Students explore and rewrite character descriptions and settings Students explore structure of a narrative - opening, build up, problem, resolution, ending Students begin to create new characters, settings and events Use word bank and structure of original text Use mind map to generate and record different ideas. Box up original text and amend / innovate key elements Use Narrative Therapy & Colourful Semantics to revise model text
Wks 6-7	Invention / Independent application	Students create original texts as independently as possible	Students use structure of a modern narrative Students create new characters, setting and plot to create a new modern narrative Use word bank and structure of original text Use mind map to generate and record different ideas. Students plan, review, edit and revise their writing. Use Narrative Therapy & Colourful Semantics to create new text Hot Task / Show us what you have learnt - An independent task on a similar type of writing

	<u>B2 P4-6</u>	<u>B2 P7-8</u>	B2 Step 1	B2 Step 2	B2 Step 3
Key Learning Theme: Mod	lern Classic Literature - I		·		
Speaking and Listening Subject specific knowledge How to communicate ideas effectively. How to respond to others appropriately.	Students know key ideas and concepts used to communicate a story. Students know the key element in questions about a story e.g. 'Where do the rabbits go? What happens next?' Students understand requests and instructions containing at least two key words, signs or symbols. Students know how to initiate and maintain short and simple conversations about a story. Students know how to take turns and to listen to others in conversations and in role play.	Students know up to four key words, signs or symbols to communicate key elements of a story. Students know that events and experiences happen in the present, past and future. Students know the importance of turn-taking, listening to /watching others and how to speak/ act in role play with confidence. Students know conjunctions that communicate cause to link ideas e.g. because & so. Students know how to form regular plurals.	Students know the vocabulary to retell a story / part of a story in their own words. Students know the vocabulary to talk about the plot, a character or setting of a familiar story. Students know how to gain, maintain and monitor the interest of the listener when retelling a familiar story. Students know how to add detail to extend their ideas.	Students know a range of descriptive words that can be used to add detail and interest. Students know familiar phrases from a familiar story and complete the last phrase of a. key sentence. Students know the main characters and events of a familiar story. Students know that stories have a beginning and an end point. Students know an expanding range of words	Students know the main themes of a familiar story and what makes a story interesting. Students know the differences between written and spoken English and are beginning to be aware when Standard English is used or when informal language is used. Students know that they can use more colloquial language in dialogue. Students know that there are different dialects and accents.
Speaking and Listening Subject specific skills How to communicate ideas effectively. How to respond to others appropriately.	Students are able to combine two key ideas and concepts. They are able to combine single words, signs or symbols to communicate meaning and create desired impact on listeners. Students are able to respond appropriately to questions about a familiar story e.g. 'What is the problem at the start of the story? Why do the rabbits leave their home? etc. Students are able to follow requests and instructions	Students are able to listen, attend to and follow simple elements of a familiar story for short stretches of time. Students are able to attend to and respond to questions from adults and their peers about experiences and familiar stories. Students are able to communicate ideas about present, past and future events and experiences, using simple phrases and statements.	Students are able to select a range of vocabulary to retell a familiar story / part of a familiar story in their own words. Students are able to select a range of vocabulary to talk about a character, plot or setting in a familiar story Students are able to talk about matters of immediate interest relating to a familiar story e.g the description of the warren Students are able to convey	Students are able to enhance detail when retelling a familiar story. Students are able to vary volume, change tone or accent to maintain engagement of the audience when retelling a familiar story. Students are able to develop and explain ideas, using a more extensive vocabulary and begin to adapt style based on familiar stories. Students are able to begin to	Students are able to discuss the main themes of familiar stories and what makes them interesting. Students are able to develop ideas through discussion with a group, responding to what they have read/heard with others and listening to the opinions of others. Students are able to listen and respond by communicating ideas, expressing themselves confidently.
	containing at least two key words, signs or symbols.	Students are able to link ideas using conjunctions that	simple meanings to a range of listeners, speaking	show confidence in talking and listening, discussing	Students are able to s use relevant comments and

	Students are able to initiate and maintain short and simple conversations about a familiar story. Students are able to take turns and to listen to others in conversations about a familiar story.	communicate cause e.g. because & so. Students are able to use regular plurals correctly. Students are able to take part in role play with confidence. Students are able to link up to four key words, signs or symbols to communicate about familiar stories and experiences in a group or one-to-one. Students are able to select and use specific vocabulary related to a familiar story to convey desired meaning to the listener. Students are able to take turns, listen and watch others and speak/ act in role play with confidence	audibly, and begin to extend their ideas or stories to provide some detail e.g. about characters, plot or setting. Students are able to listen to and follow what others say and usually respond appropriately. Students are able to effectively convey meaning by gaining, maintaining and monitoring the interest of the listener. Students are able to speak clearly and audibly to convey meaning to a range of listeners. Students are able to include relevant detail to extend their ideas.	settings. Students are able to sustain listening to a longer story and show supportive body language when listening and look from speaker to speaker. Students are able to work constructively with others and responds to a peer's contribution in discussing or planning a story. Students are able to adjust the style of their speech and vary their accent to communicate the dialogue between characters in a familiar story. Students are able to speak clearly and use an expanding bank of vocabulary. Students are able to retell the beginning and the end point of a familiar story.	questions to show they have listened to or read a familiar story carefully. Students are able to adapt what they are communicating to the needs of the listener, varying the use of vocabulary and level of detail. Students are able to use Standard English when reading or retelling the narrative of a familiar story. Students are able to use more colloquial language in dialogue. Students are able to face the camera or audience, keep head raised, use facial expressions and appropriate gestures when sharing a familiar story with others. Students are able to take an active role in role play
Suggested teaching activities How should I teach this? Spoken language/ speaking and listening. How to communicate ideas effectively. How to respond to others appropriately.	 Gain insight into m Record key quotes Role play key events / Sequence parts of Work collaborativ Clear focus, e.g. cl Create short films Perform and peer Puppet show - Use pro 	nding of character, personality notives and emotions Film It / new scene or alterr the story ely haracter expressions, body m s by recreating scenes from the	nate ending novement, speaking in a speci the story	fic tense	

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Key Learning Theme: Nar	rative				
Reading	Students know a few words, symbols or pictures familiar	Students know key elements of a familiar story e.g. when	Students know key information from a familiar	Students know why characters act in certain	Students know the key themes and features of a
Subject specific knowledge	to them from a familiar story presented to them in a familiar way.	the adult stops reading, students fill in the missing word.	story. <u>Students know</u> familiar words in a familiar story.	ways. <u>Students know</u> that the emotions, the actions of	familiar story. Students know some conventions of story writing.
What do pupils need to know? How to infer. How to understand how language is used.	Students know key objects and their pictorial or symbolic representations. Students know how to express their curiosity about a familiar story at a simple	Students know the difference between print or symbols and pictures in a familiar story Students know the conventions of reading e.g	With some support, students know graphemes and their corresponding phoneme. With some support, students know some common exception	others, and motives explain the actions of characters in a familiar story. Students know a range of punctuation e.g. full stops, commas, question and	Students know the basic plots of simple stories. Students know when the text isn't making sense
How to understand how structure is used How to compare.	Students know a small number of words or symbols linked to the vocabulary of a familiar story. Students know key letters and short words related to a familiar story.	that texts flow from left to right and from top to bottom Students know that words, symbols and pictures convey meaning within a familiar story. Students know 50% of the letters of the alphabet by shape, name or sound. Students know what comes next in familiar word patterns, sentences and text structures.	words. Students know the vocabulary needed to express what they like when reading a familiar story. Students know full stops and other forms of punctuation found in a familiar story.	exclamation marks, inverted commas etc Students know some new vocabulary. Students know that they can use a dictionary to check spelling or meaning of a word. Students know the position of a letter in the alphabet i.e. beginning, middle or end. Students know how words are organised in a dictionary.	Students know that words are listed in a dictionary in alphabetical order Students know the different types of punctuation used in fiction texts, including dialogue.
Subject specific skills What do pupils need to be able to do? How to infer.	Students <u>are able to</u> use a few familiar words, symbols or pictures to derive meaning from a familiar story. Students <u>are able to</u> match objects to their pictorial or symbolic representations. Students <u>are able to</u> ask and	Students <u>are able to</u> join in a discussion about a familiar story. Students <u>are able to</u> sequence 3 pictures and use them to re-tell a familiar story. Students <u>are able to</u> show an	Students recognise familiar Students are able to recognise familiar words used in a familiar story. Students are able to re-tell a familiar story to a peer. Students are able to express their response to a familiar	Students are able to explain the actions of characters and compare to other characters in a familiar story. Students are able to give a reason why they think something has happened in a familiar story.	Students identify some key features of a story. Students read, discuss and give their own views on the characters, setting and plot of a piece of modern literature. Students draw inferences on
How to understand how language is used. How to understand how structure is used How to compare.	answer basic two key word questions about a familiar story. Student are able to select and recognise/ read a small number of words or symbols	interest in the activity of reading a familiar story, using some text with pictures and symbols. Students are able to apply the conventions of reading,	story by identifying aspects that they like. Students <u>are able to</u> express an opinion on the different characters in a familiar story.	Students <u>are able to</u> read of texts showing understanding and with accuracy	what they have read/ heard. Students read texts with fluency and accuracy.

	linked to the vocabulary in a	following the text left to		Students are able to listen	Students are able to
	familiar story.	right, top to bottom and	With some support, students	to and read a range of	identify some key features
	,,	page following page.	are able to use their phonic	fiction and non-fiction texts.	of a familiar story.
	Students <u>are able to</u> match	page.	knowledge to read words and	, and the first toxis.	- , - , - , - , - , - , - , - , - , - ,
	letters and short words	Students are able to	establish meaning when	Students are able to	Students <u>are able to</u> read,
	related to a familiar story.	recognise or read an	reading aloud.	correctly identify how a	discuss and give their own
	,	increasing repertoire of		story is organised, e.g. use	views on the characters,
		familiar words or symbols	With some support, students	of capitals and font,	setting and plot of a familiar
		within a familiar story	are able to use their	paragraphs, full stops,	story.
		·	knowledge of common	commas, question and	
		Students are able to display	exception words to read	exclamation marks, inverted	Students are able to draw
		interest in extracting	words and establish meaning	commas, key words etc	inferences on what they
		information from a familiar	when reading aloud.		have read/ heard.
		story.		Students <u>are able to</u> reread	
			Students <u>are able to</u> select	a text when attempting to	Students are able to read
		Students <u>are able to</u> predict	the vocabulary needed to	understand new vocabulary	texts with fluency and
		elements of a familiar story	express what they like when		accuracy.
		e.g. when the reader pauses,	reading a familiar story.	Students <u>are able to</u> use	Children and III t
		students fill in the missing word.	Students are able to di	more than one strategy, such	Students are able to
		word.	Students <u>are able to</u> show some awareness of how	as phonic, graphic, syntactic and contextual, in reading	respond to character descriptions and show
		Students <u>are able to</u> extract	different forms of	unfamiliar words and	preferences.
		information from words,	punctuation are used in	establishing meaning	preferences.
		symbols and pictures convey	reading.	establishing meaning	Students are able to make
		meaning within a familiar	redding.	Students are able to use	predictions about what
		story.		knowledge of alphabet to	might happen in a familiar
		3101 7.		open dictionary in an	story.
				appropriate place.	
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				Students are able to read	compare books / stories
				simple prefixes or suffixes	sharing a similar theme.
				without overt sounding.	_
					Students are able to
					identify the treatment of
					different characters in a
					familiar story.
					Students are able to
					identify specific vocabulary
					within a story that captures
					the reader's / listener's
					interest.
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					Students are able to
					identify the letters in a
					word sequentially and find
					the meaning of an unknown word using a dictionary.
					word using a dictionary.

					Students are able to confidently use knowledge of phonic structure. Students are able to use knowledge of root words, suffixes and prefixes to attempt new/longer words
Suggested teaching activities How should I teach this? Reading How to infer. How to understand how language is used. How to understand how structure is used. How to compare.	 Identify key info Make inferences Identify key language Structure, w Identify and explore <u>Guided reading sessi</u> Discussing the Responding to Comprehension 	ormation / key words and deductions a features of a piece of mode yord picture, similes & metapl the structure of a piece of r tons using modern literature a text the text verbally	nors, alliterative, assonance, on nodern literature. pryboarding, key points & wor	colloquial language	
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Key Learning Theme: Ma	 dern Classic Literature	Narrative			
, -	Students know marks or	Students know that a story	Students know some simple	Students know some	Students know the style and
Writing Subject specific knowledge	symbols associated with familiar spoken words, actions, images or events	has a beginning, middle and end.	words and phrases to communicate meaning related to a familiar story.	alternative words to enhance their writing.	layout of stories. Students know the terms of

Students know how to write in a joined up style and

					whether to use a diagonal; or horizontal join to a letter.
Subject specific skills What do pupils need to be able to do? How to plan a narrative. What good looks like: appropriate form, language and structure. How to edit. How to proof read.	Students are able to produce marks or symbols associated with familiar spoken words, actions, images or events relating to a familiar story. Students are able to hold a pen correctly and to follow the lines on the page to trace, overwrite or copy shapes and straight line writing patterns. Students are able to select and use meaningful marks, letters, symbols and photographs to produce a familiar story.	Students are able to identify the beginning, middle and end sections of a familiar story. Students are able to place pictures in the correct order to retell a familiar story. Students are able to display knowledge of how a story is arranged on the page, e.g. by writing or producing letter sequences going left to right and top to bottom. Students are able to group letters and leaves spaces in their writing to form separate words. Students are able to select and link symbols and one or two simple key words to correctly retell a familiar story from memory Students are able to write or produce letter or symbol sequences moving from left to right and make accurate use of upper and lower case letters.	Students are able to use simple words and phrases to communicate meaning related to a familiar story. Students are able to place the elements of a familiar story in the correct order. Students are able to add simple adjectives to writing to enhance detail. Students are able to make contributions to class or group discussions when planning a familiar story. Students are able to clearly shape and correctly orientate letters. Students are able to show some awareness of how full stops are used in their writing.	Students are able to develop their ideas in a sequence of sentences, sometimes demarcated by capital letters and full stops. Students are able to build the simple profile of a character. Students are able to build up a simple setting for a story. Students are able to communicate meaning in their writing, using appropriate and interesting vocabulary. Students are able to use descriptive words and phrases to impact the reader. Students are able to use capital letters correctly. Students are able to use question marks and exclamation marks correctly in dialogue. Students are able to use a class word bank to check spelling and spell words consistently in their piece of writing. Students are able to mainly spell correctly simple, monosyllabic words and where there are inaccuracies the alternative is phonetically plausible.	Students are able to use the main features of stories appropriately. Students are able to sequence sentences, extend ideas logically and choose words for variety and interest. Students are able to loosely structure their writing into paragraphs. Students are able to correctly use the basic grammatical structure of sentences. Students are able to use a range of punctuation and grammatical devices s: eg fronted adverbials, conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause. Students are able to mainly spell words accurately, including common, polysyllabic words. Students are able to accurately use punctuation to mark sentences e.g. full stops, capital letters and question marks. Students are able to write in a mainly joined up style joining letters correctly and legibly.

	Students <u>are able to</u> write their ascenders and descenders clearly and consistently				
Writing	> Talk for Writing				
How to plan for a narrative	> Rewriting a story using 'box it up' structure				
text.	Writing own story using 'box it up' structure				
What good looks like:	Writing activities				
appropriate form, language	> Vocabulary building				
and structure.	> Use adjectives / describing words				
How to edit.	> Write own narrative				
How to proof read.	Write instructions (e.g. how to make wormy spaghetti)				
·	Create storyboards				
	Write similes and metaphors				
Online resources					

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Watership Down Study Guide | Literature Guide | LitCharts

Evidencing Work

Photographic & video evidence
Talk for writing worksheets Phonics worksheets Guiding reading records