

ENGLISH



World Book Day 2020



World Book Day 2023

Dear Year 6,

We are the English Faculty, based in Holkham. We are a big team, as you will see across the next couple of pages. We are passionate about reading; with this in mind, we have taken the opportunity to recommend a book to you.

In this booklet, you will find your summer task. Please complete this ready for September; you should hand it in to your new English teacher during the first week of term.

We have also included a few puzzles and brainteasers: completing these is optional, and they do not need to be handed in.

Across Year 7, you will enjoy reading *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*, *The Graveyard Book* and *The Giver*, alongside many other extracts from engaging novels, non-fiction texts and poems. We can't wait to read and explore all of these amazing texts with you.

Have a good summer!

The English Faculty



Mrs Clark

You should read...

Divergent

because...

it shows that you should be prepared to take risks sometimes.



Mrs Mills-Gillings

You should read...

The Explorer

because...

it is an excellent adventure story.



Mrs Pleasant

You should read...

Harry Potter

because...

it is a magical story.



Mr Kvasilima

You should read...

Wizard of the Crow

because...

it is an exciting adventure story involving magic and wizardry from another dimension.



Mrs Morris

You should read...

Once

because...

it shows that everyone deserves something good to happen to them at least once.



Miss Richardson

You should read...

The Hobbit

because...

it is a fantastic story of friendship and adventure.



Ms Poll

You should read...

Artemis Fowl

because...

it is an exciting story that mixes sci-fi and magic.



Mr Smart

You should read...

Fantastic Mr Fox

because...

it teaches you to trust your instincts and always follow your nose!



Miss Wright

You should read...

The Terrible Thing that Happened to Barnaby Rooket

because...

it is funny and heart-warming, and shows it's OK to be different.



Miss Elvin

You should read...

The Piper

because...

it is a sinister wartime story.



Mr Warner-Lynn

You should read...

Journey to the River Sea

because...

you will experience a plucky young orphan's adventures on the Amazon River.



Miss Atherton

You should read...

My Sister Lives on the Mantlepiece

because...

it reminds us to be kind and consider what others are going through.



What

recommendations do you have for us?



Mrs Wilson

You should read...

Private Peaceful

because...

it shows the importance of compassion for others and helps us to understand the past.



Miss Baird

You should read...

Wonder

because...

it is an equally inspiring and entertaining book about identity, difference, and new beginnings.



Your Summer Task

The English teachers at Springwood want you to love reading as much as we do!

Over the summer, we want you to read a book of your choice. Here is a link to a list of recommended books suitable for Year 7 <https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks3-pupils/suggested-reading-list-for-year-7-pupils-ks2-age-11-12/> but you may choose something that is not on this list (you may even wish to choose one of the books we have recommended on the previous pages).

When you have read your book, we would like you to write a postcard to your new English teacher; in this postcard, please answer the following questions:

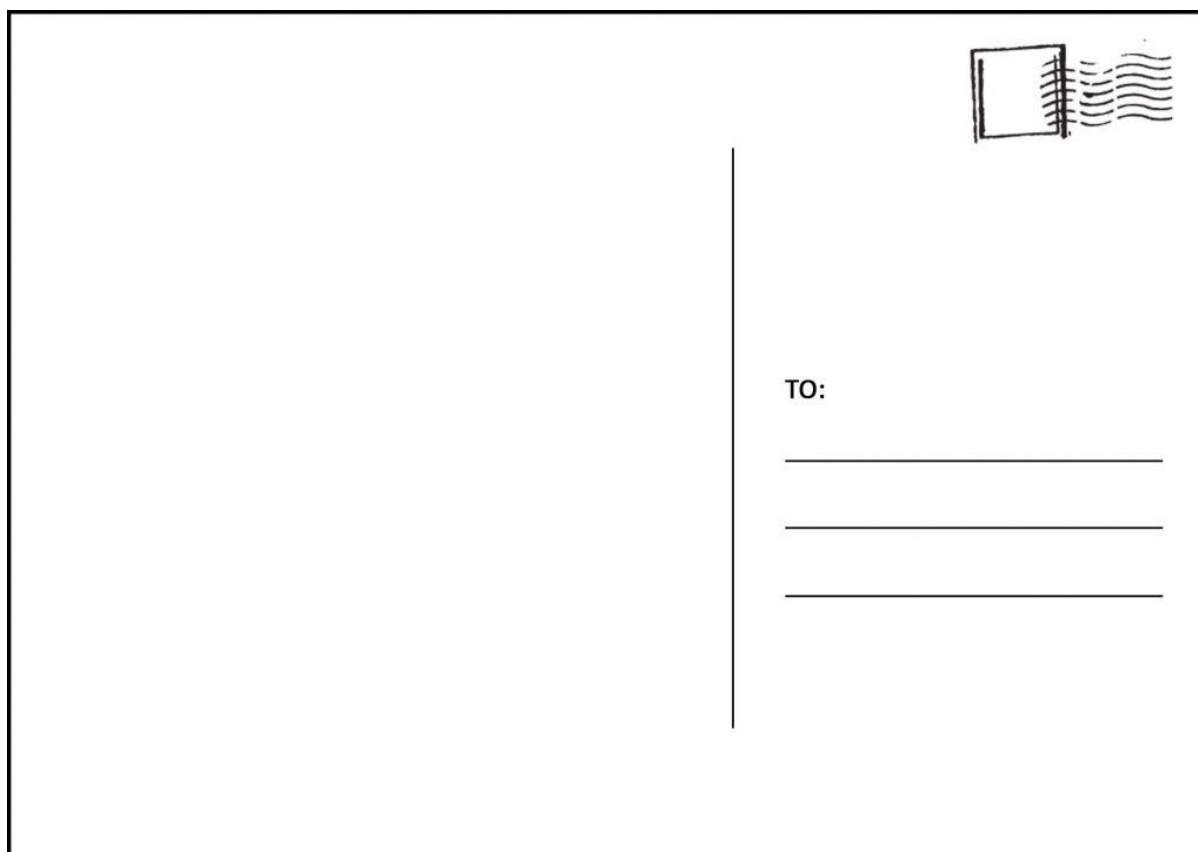
1. What do you think is the main idea that the writer is trying to get across in your chosen book?
2. Why do you think this idea is important to the writer?

You can begin your postcard with: Dear English Teacher.

On the front side, you could either draw a picture; insert a photo of the front cover; or take a selfie with your book.

Please bring in your completed postcard when you arrive in September and hand it in to your English teacher.

Here is a template of the writing side of a postcard that you could use, if you like:



TO:

Here is a model piece of writing to show you what we're looking for.

Appropriate salutation (greeting)

Friendly opener, directed at your reader

Naming the book

Stating the main idea (personal opinion)

Why this idea is important (using tentative language, e.a. *might*, *could*)

Recommendation to the reader

Friendly sign

Dear English Teacher,


I hope you have had a good summer; did you do anything exciting?

I chose to read *Private Peaceful* by Michael Morpurgo this summer. In my opinion, the main idea of this book is that it's important to stand up for what is right. Morpurgo might have wanted to show the reader how difficult life was for a soldier in World War 1: they were expected to obey authority and would have been severely punished—possibly even executed—for disobedience. I think he could be trying to make the reader feel angry at how unfair it was that soldiers should be punished when they were simply doing the right thing.

If you haven't read this book already, I'd really recommend it!

See you in September!

Tom Sawyer



TO:
My English Teacher
Holkham Corridor
Springwood High School

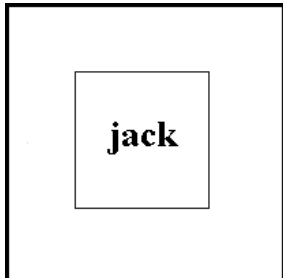
We can't wait for you to share your thoughts about your chosen book in September!



Just for fun...

Dingbats!

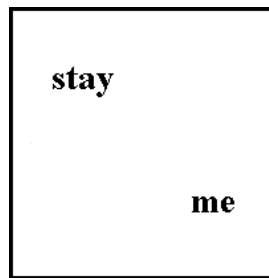
Have you played this puzzle game before? Look carefully at the clues to work out the word or phrase it's 'describing'. The numbers underneath tell you how many letters are in each word. Here are a few examples:



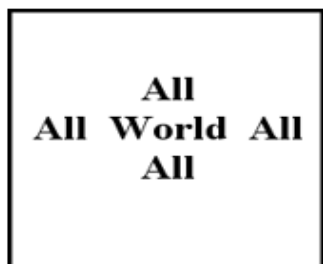
(4, 2, 3, 3) = Jack in the box



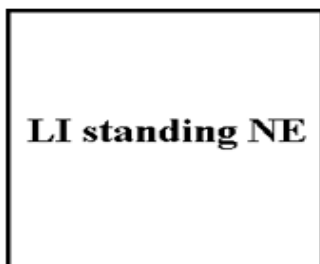
(8) = Heatwave



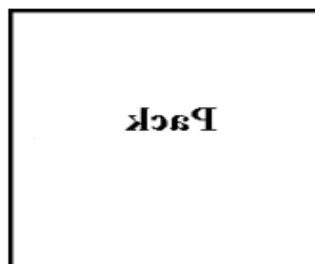
(4, 4, 4, 2) = Stay away
from me



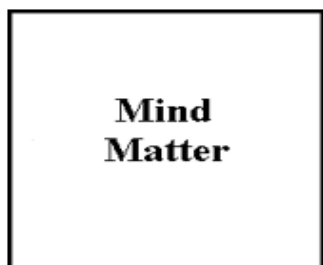
(3, 6, 3, 5)



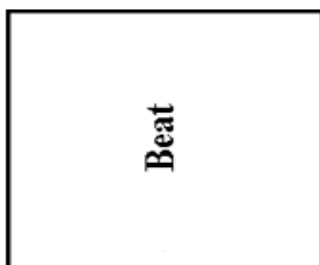
(8, 2, 4)



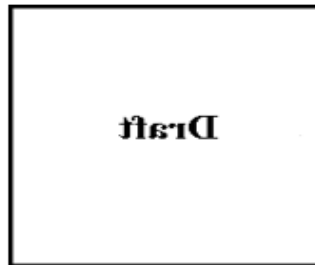
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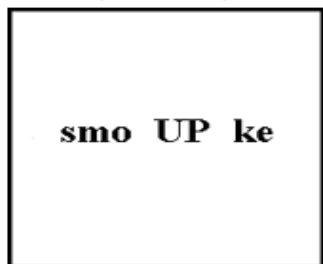
(4, 4, 6)



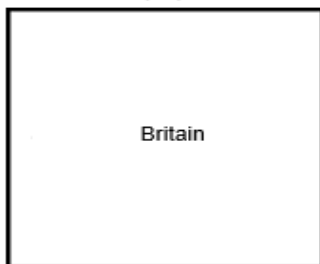
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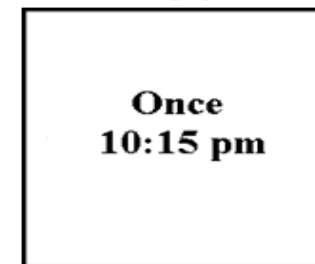
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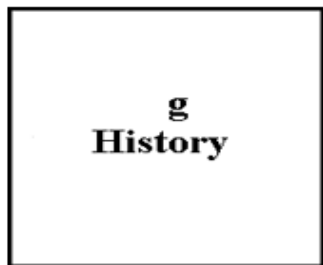
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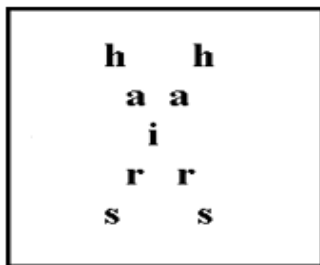
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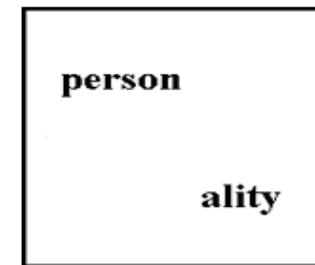
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(2, 4, 2, 7)



(10)



(5, 11)

Wordsearch!

Can you find some of the key vocabulary that you will encounter during the first term?

MOOXAZAOUFOPPESEOBECAZHDSYAWOHV
BWVBRIVERYHNYJWRGPMYDKSCOEKOXV
NRBXTTZXNSETCXOGGJCMTFXRFYLSVD
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complex sentence	imperative verb	chivalric code	alliteration
conjunction	quotation	modal verb	reference
argument	gallantry	courtesy	loyalty
bravery	context	rhythm	advise
honour	epitome	status	rhyme

Year 6 Reading Challenge



READING
CHAMPIONS

Author Masterclasses

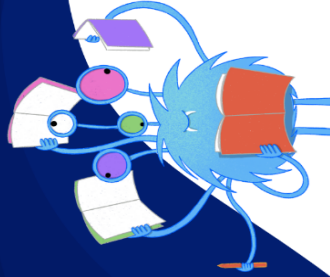
Author of the Week

Author Introductions

10 Minute Challenges

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Get creative with your favourite authors and illustrators by taking part in their fun and fast-paced 10 Minute Challenges.



Your first reading challenge is to complete a '10 minute challenge' of your choice from:

www.authorfy.com/10minutechallenge

All completed challenges will be entered into a prize draw in September. Please make sure you put your name on your completed challenge.

