

English Home Learning - Star Anise - w/c 11th May 2020

Reading Comprehension

Reading Tasks

You can try as many of these as you want. You may want to complete one a day:

- [She's a Witch](#)
- [Historical Punishment](#)
- [Life Cycle of an Amphibian](#)
- [Dystopia](#)
- [To Whoever Finds This](#)

Reading Recap

Some of you might find these texts easier to access ☺

- [History of Comics](#)
- [The Wave](#)
- [Floods & Drought](#)

Oxford Owl Free e-books

- Use this link - <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/books/free-ebooks/>
- On this website, you can create a free account as a parent or carer - all you need is an email address - now you should be able to access a range of free books, which you can browse by age, genre, etc.

Writing Challenge

This week, have a go at writing a play script.

Script writing is a really great skill - all of your favourite films, cartoons and TV shows need a script to tell the performers what to say and how to act.

- Here is a video from BBC which briefly tells you about the key features - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zsn4h39/articles/zx8kng8>
- This useful document also shows you the features: [Play Script Toolkit](#)
- Here is an example of a play script - [Romeo & Juliet 1](#)
- Here is the same play script, with all the grammar marked on - [Romeo & Juliet 2](#)

You might want to base your script on an existing story or completely make something up. You might even want to perform it!

Spelling Focus

This week you have words ending in cial/tial. We have looked at some of these before and they continue to be key spellings to learn.

Spelling list:

essential	influential
artificial	glacial
potential	residential
official	sacrificial
initial	celestial
superficial	beneficial

This list is on www.spellingshed.com and is called '11th May Spelling List'. A quiz will be uploaded to the blog on Friday to test yourself ☺

It's important to understand the meaning of words that you are spelling. Search for the definitions of these words online and try to use them correctly in a sentence.

Spelling Recap - the 'sh' sound spelt with 'ch'

Some of you will also have been set these words to recap:

chef	parachute	parachuting	machine
brochure	chute	chandelier	chalet
moustache	charade		

Find these words on www.spellingshed.com - called '11th May Spelling Recap'.

Online Lessons

Be sure to check out the interactive online lessons, which can be found on the 'BBC Bitesize' and 'Oak National Academy' links on the class blog! They are updated every day with new English skills.