

Subject		
Week	Learning	Activities
	Victorian literature: mystery and the short story This lesson, we will introduce the conventions of the short story, detective fiction and mystery writing as we prepare to read the classic Sherlock Holmes story, The Adventure of the Speckled Band by Arthur Conan Doyle.	https://www.thenational.academy/year-8/english/victorian-literature-mystery-and-the-short-story-year-8-wk4-1 Follow the instructions and guidance to watch the video and work through the tasks. Self-marking quiz
Week beginning 8 th June	Reading for meaning: The Adventure of the Speckled Band Today, get comfortable and enjoy our reading of a classic mystery story: The Adventure of the Speckled Band by Arthur Conan Doyle. This short story features a master of logic and deduction: the famous fictional detective, Sherlock Holmes. We will start to evaluate some of the conventions of the mystery genre in this story.	https://www.thenational.academy/year-8/english/reading-for-meaning-the-adventure-of-the-speckled-band-year-8-wk4-2 Follow the instructions and guidance to watch the video and work through the tasks. Self-marking quiz
	Learning and progress check:	Assignment: Reading for meaning and language analysis assignment based on The Speckled Band.
Week beginning	The Speckled Band: Part 3: This lesson, we will finish reading and begin to analyse the structure and language used in the short story, The Adventure of the Speckled Band.	https://www.thenational.academy/year- 8/english/the-speckled-band-part-3-year-8- wk4-3 Follow the instructions and guidance to watch the video and work through the tasks.
15 th June	Grammar for writing: commas and clauses: Literacy Lesson:	Self-marking quiz https://www.thenational.academy/year- 8/english/grammar-for-writing-commas-and- clauses-year-8-wk4-4

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	This lesson, we will cover some key rules about how to use commas correctly in different clauses.	Follow the instructions and guidance to watch the video and work through the tasks.
		Self-marking quiz
	Learning and progress check	Self-marking quizzes are used to evaluate student understanding.
	Structuring narrative writing: This lesson, we will start to explore ideas related to narrative theory in	https://www.thenational.academy/year- 8/english/structuring-narrative-writing-year- 8-wk5-1
	preparation for writing a story. We will look at the idea of the seven basic plots and some common narrative structures so that we can begin to plan our writing effectively.	Follow the instructions and guidance to watch the video and work through the tasks. Self-marking quiz
Week	Using imagery in narrative writing:	https://www.thenational.academy/year-
beginning 22 nd June	This lesson, we will write the first draft of the narrative we planned	8/english/using-imagery-in-narrative-writing- year-8-wk5-2
	last lesson. We will focus on using imagery in our writing to craft detailed and effective pieces of writing. We will think about how to develop each idea within the structure we have planned. You will need your planning and notes from last lesson.	Follow the instructions and guidance to watch the video and work through the tasks. Self-marking quiz
	Learning and progress check:	Self-marking quizzes are used to evaluate student understanding.
Week beginning 29 th June	Editing and redrafting narrative writing: This lesson, we will continue to develop our narrative writing skills	https://www.thenational.academy/year- 8/english/editing-and-redrafting-narrative- writing-year-8-wk5-3 Follow the instructions and guidance to
	and practise editing and redrafting our work, with a particular focus on developing narrative voice, creating cohesion and crafting our ideas and vocabulary for maximum	watch the video and work through the tasks. Self-marking quiz
	Grammar for writing: Brackets and Dash: Literacy Lesson:	https://www.thenational.academy/year- 8/english/grammar-for-writing-brackets-and- dashes-year-8-wk5-4

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	This lesson, we will be covering	Follow the instructions and guidance to
	how to use brackets and dashes	watch the video and work through the tasks.
	accurately - a very useful skill! You	
	will need a pen and paper, as well	
	as the story you wrote last lesson.	Self-marking quiz
	Learning and progress check:	Creative writing assignment on Teams.
	Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens:	https://www.thenational.academy/year- 8/english/oliver-twist-by-charles-dickens-
	This lesson, we will meet Charles Dickens and the eponymous hero	year-8-wk1-2
	of his famous novel: Oliver Twist.	Follow the instructions and guidance to
	We will continue to explore the	watch the video and work through the tasks.
	conventions of Victorian Literature	-
	and extend our understanding of	
	social context and how the writing	Self-marking quiz
	reflects the debates and attitudes	
Week	of the time	
beginning	Oliver Twist: Analysis Practice	https://www.thenational.academy/year-
6 th July		8/english/oliver-twist-analysis-practice-year-
	In this lesson, we will continue to	<u>8-wk1-3</u>
	analyse an extract from Oliver	
	Twist, by Charles Dickens. Last	Follow the instructions and guidance to
	lesson, we saw how afraid Oliver	watch the video and work through the tasks.
	was when put in front of the	
	workhouse Board. We will use our	
	understanding of the extract to	Self-marking quiz
	practise our language analysis	
	skills.	
	Learning and progress check:	Self-marking quizzes are used to evaluate
	Cusus and fan comiting of Court	student understanding.
	Grammar for writing: Semi-	https://www.thenational.academy/year-
	Colons: Literacy Lesson:	8/english/grammar-for-writing-semicolons-
	In this lesson, we will recap some	<u>year-8-wk1-4</u>
	of the basic rules of the semicolon	Follow the instructions and guidance to
	and practise applying them. We	watch the video and work through the tasks.
Week	will continue to think about the	
beginning	themes and ideas we have been	
13 th July	discussing around Victorian	Self-marking quiz
	literature, but you will also have	<u> </u>
	the opportunity to master a really	
	useful piece of punctuation; once	
	you know how to use it, it will	
	enhance your writing forever!	

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Crime in Victorian Literature:	https://www.thenational.academy/year-
Oliver Twist:	8/english/crime-in-victorian-literature-oliver-
This lesson, we will continue to	twist-year-8-wk3-1
develop our skills in	
comprehension, language analysis	Follow the instructions and guidance to
and reading for meaning. We will	watch the video and work through the tasks.
return to the world of Oliver Twist	
as he leaves the workhouse and	
begins a life on the streets, where	Self-marking quiz
he is recruited to the criminal gang	
of Fagin and the Artful Dodger.	
Learning and progress check:	Self-marking quizzes are used to evaluate
	student understanding.