

**Prior Learning:** Year 7 and 8

The Odyssey

Shakespeare's Villains

Trash

Female Writers



**English Learning Journey Spring 1: Year 8 Non-fiction: Travel Writing**

*Ad Astra*

During the next 6 weeks we are focusing on English Language Paper 2 skills by studying non-fiction texts. We will explore a range of non-fiction texts and learn about their features. Furthermore, we will be improving our analysis, evaluation and writing skills.

We will develop our learning each week by focusing on:

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**Week 1 Key Learning:** English Language Paper 2 Section A

- Retrieval Knowledge: Language and structural techniques
- Knowledge: How to approach Q3 and analyse language and structure. Key Stage 3 SPAG starter.
- [Introduction to Paper 2 Section A](#)
- [Read Text 1](#)
- [Questions 1 and 2 \(AO1&2: 4 marks\)](#)
- [Question 3 \(AO2: 15 marks\)](#)
- [Analyse approach to Question 3](#)
- [Analyse model for Question 3 \(focus on language and structure\)](#)

**Week 2 Key Learning:** English Language Paper 2 Section A

- Retrieval Knowledge: Evaluative adverbs
- Knowledge: How to approach Q4 and evaluate a non-fiction text. Key Stage 3 SPAG starter.
- [Read Text 2](#)
- [Questions 4 and 5 on Text 2 \(AO1&2: 2 marks\)](#)
- [Question 6 \(AO4: 15 marks\)](#)
- [Analyse approach to Question 6](#)
- [Analyse model for Question 6 \(focus on evaluation\)](#)
- **Mini assessment**

**Week 3 Key Learning:** English Language Paper 2 Section A

- Retrieval Knowledge: Recap on language and structure techniques
- Knowledge: How to answer Question 3, Paper 2. Key Stage 3 SPAG starter.
- [Read Text 3](#)
- [Language and structure recap.](#)
- [Question 3 consolidation \(AO2: 15 marks\)](#)

**Week 4 Key Learning:** English Language Paper 2 Section A

- Retrieval Knowledge: Recap on language and structure and how to evaluate.
- Knowledge: How to answer Questions 3 and 6, Paper 2. Key Stage 3 SPAG starter.
- [Self-assessment and green pen](#)
- **Final assessment (Exam Question) Question 6**

**Week 5 Key Learning:** English Language Paper 2 Section B

- Retrieval Knowledge: Recognising different types of transactional writing.
- Knowledge: How to answer Question 8/9 Section B on Paper 2
- [Introduction to Paper 2, Section B – Question 8/9](#)
- [Exploration of the different forms of transactional writing](#)
- [Focusing on the form of an article](#)
- [Focusing on the form of a speech](#)
- **CTG final assessment (Question 6)**

**Week 6 Key Learning:**

Awe and Wonder Lesson

**Key Vocabulary**

Non-fiction

Transactional writing

Evaluation

Language and Structure

Analysis

**Future Learning**

Poetry- My Family

Romeo and Juliet

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night

