

Comprehension

We will read extracts from the Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien which focus on the monsters that Bilbo encounters.



During this we will:

Use Captain Comparison's skills to draw comparisons between the monsters.

Use Word Wolf's skills to discuss the authors intention behind their vocabulary choices.



Monsters

Novel Study

We will read Michael Morpurgo's retelling of the Anglo Saxon legend 'Beowulf'.

During this we will:

Use Dark Decoder's skills and strategies to understand new and unusual words within the story.

Use Word Wolf's skills to explore the writer's intention when using alliteration.

Use Crimson Clue Hunter's skills to explore and make inferences about the feelings and motives of the characters

Write scenes involving one of the characters from Beowulf encountering a new monster, as a continuation of the story.



Comprehension

We will read information texts which involve descriptions of monsters.



During this we will:

Use Captain Comparison's skills to draw comparisons between different monsters.

Use Word Wolf's skills to discuss the authors descriptive vocabulary use.

Use Rocket Retriever's and Dark Decoder's skills to create accurate images of monsters from their descriptions.

Top 5 Linked Texts

A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness

Gawain and the Green Knight by Philip Reeve

The Sword and the Circle by Rosemary Sutcliff

'Norse Myths' by Frank Cotterill Boyce

The Hobbit by JRR Tolkien

Feature Focus

Expanded Noun Phrases including prepositions

Precise descriptive synonyms

Simile, metaphor and personification

Adverbials including time, manner, place and conjunctive

Modal and Imperative verbs, and conditional clauses

Non-Fiction

We will read and follow a range of instructions.

During this we will:

Use The Puzzler's skills to discuss layout choices and their effect.

Use Word Wolf's skills to think about the effect of language on how likely a reader is to follow an instruction properly.

Write instructions on how to design and draw a monster.

Write instructions on how to slay a monster.