

Visual Literacy (video)

We will look at 'America's Champion Swimmer' by David A. Adler.



During this we will:

Use The Puzzler's skills to begin to understand how pictures and words work together in books to make meaning.

Use Rocket Retriever's skills to find out key information and facts.

Top 5 Linked Texts

The Sally Lockhart Mysteries
by Phillip Pullman

Charlotte's Web by E.B.White

Sparrow by Michael Morpurgo

Fantastically Great Women
Who Changed The World by
Kate Pankhurst

Women in Sport by Rachel
Ignatofsky



Wonder Women

Novel Study

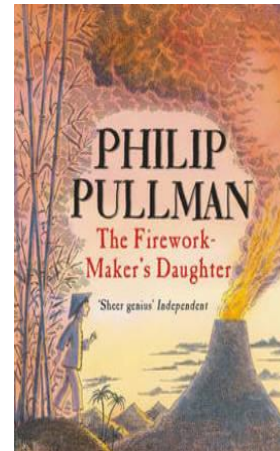
We will read 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman.

During this we will:

Use Word Wolf's skills to analyse the use of certain vocabulary.

Use Captain Comparison's skills to compare characters, themes and settings.

Use Dark Decoder's skills to understand the meaning of new vocabulary.



Feature Focus

Noun phrases with a variety of adjectives for interesting descriptions

A range of sentence openers

Use of fronted adverbials to add detail

Non-Fiction

During this we will:

Hold a class debate.

Use Rocket Retriever's skills to identify arguments and reasons.

Use Summarise and Sequence Shadow to condense the text down to just a few words and put everything in order.

Comprehension

We will examine some of the art and culture of some Asian countries.



During this we will:

Use Rocket Retriever's skills to find key facts.

Use Dark Decoder's skills to find out the meaning of unfamiliar words.

Use Captain Comparison's skills to compare different cultures.



Poetry

We will read a variety of Christmas poems.



During this we will:

Use Word Wolf's skills to reflect upon the poets' choice of language.

Use The Puzzler's skills to understand why the poet uses particular poetic devices.



Season's Greetings

Novel Study

We will study 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens.

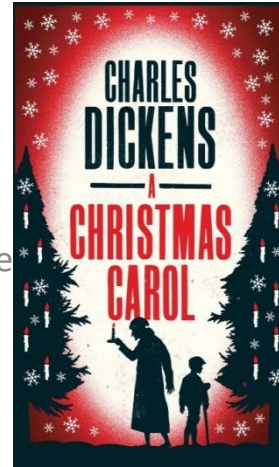
During this we will:

Use Dark Decoder's skills to gain understanding of traditional language

Use Word Wolf's skills to analyse the impact of description.

Use Summarising and Sequencing Shadow's skills to understand and explain events in the story

Write a descriptive piece about a setting.



Comprehension

We will read a variety of Christmas themed texts and traditional Christmas songs.



Christmas Stories

During this we will:

Use Dark Decoder's skills to gain understanding of traditional language and unfamiliar words.

Use Captain Comparison's skills to identify common themes.

Use The Puzzler's skills to reflect upon how authors create a sense of Christmas spirit.

Top 5 Linked Texts

'One Christmas Wish' by Katherine Rundell

'Enid Blyton's Christmas Tales' by Enid Blyton

The Night I Met Father Christmas by Ben Miller

How Winston Delivered Christmas by Alex T Smith

The Girl Who Saved Christmas by Matt Haig

Feature Focus

Descriptive vocabulary for noun phrases

A range of sentence openers, including adverbial phrases and prepositions

Using a range of determiners to specify nouns

Formal, scientific vocabulary

Imperative verbs for instructions

Non-Fiction

We will build upon our Science Quest learning about electricity and sound for use in our writing.

During this we will:

Use the Puzzler's skills to look at the layout of instructional texts.

Use the Word Wolf's skills to understand the impact of imperative verbs.

Write a set of instructions for making a light up Christmas card.