Vocabulary Stories



Objective

Developing characters, setting and plot in narrative writing - building a rich vocabulary.



Equipment

- Enrich School Orienteering Map
- Orienteering Control Markers
- Activity Sheets
- Follow-On Activity Sheets.



Preparation

- Children could do this activity in pairs or small groups.
- Provide each pair/small group with a copy of one of the Activity Sheets and an Enrich School Orienteering Map.
- There are five different Activity Sheets for this activity.
- There is also a Follow-On Activity Sheet linked to each Activity Sheet.
- Explain to the children how to carry out the activity.
- Children should read and discuss the short story on their Activity Sheet before commencing with the activity.



Instructions

- Children use their Enrich School Orienteering Map to visit each of the 6 selected control points. These can be visited in any order.
- At each control point they use the letters from the marker to complete a set of words on their Activity Sheet. (These are linked to the story on their Activity Sheet and they will be able to choose from them to use in the follow-on activity.)
- When they have completed as many words as possible from their Activity Sheet, they then move on to the Follow-On Activity that is linked to their Activity Sheet.
- For the Follow-On Activity, they use some of the words they have collected to re-write and finish the story from their Activity Sheet.
- The Follow-On Activity Sheet includes a series of questions to give children additional ideas that they could draw on when they re-write the story.



Other information

The words from each Activity Sheet are as follows:

Activity Sheet 1

ogre, defiant, terrified, repentant, colossal, fled, lumbered, roared, escape, monster, approached, courageous, trembled, rumbled, daring, destroy, solitary, pacify, ravenous, reconcile

Activity Sheet 2

ancient, favourite, devastated, fallen, forlorn, desolation, dejected, solution, inspiration, excited, cherished, wounded, debate, beloved, imaginative

Activity Sheet 3

excited, stunned, outraged, furious, aghast, delighted, upset, thrilled, frantic, overjoyed, grateful, relief Activity Sheet 4

astonished, generous, shocked, donate, aghast, apprehensive, delighted, thrilled, amazed, overjoyed, dejected, accept, dismayed, anxious, disappointed

Activity Sheet 5

Apprehensive, excited, suspense, painstaking, unsettled, bewildered, astonished, meticulous, thrilled, insecure, hesitant, anxious, enthusiastic, uneasy, baffled

