

Thursday 4th February 2021

Writing (1 hour)

LI: Create a persuasive piece of writing

Topic: Spending time outdoors improves children's mental health

Task 1

- Research the benefits of children spending time outdoors. Check the following website:
 - <https://outdoorclassroomday.com/2018/03/19/five-reasons-going-outdoors-improves-childrens-mental-health-and-wellbeing/>
- List at least 3 points to support the view that being outdoors improves children's mental health. E.g. being outdoors improves children's mood and readiness to learn.
- Find evidence to support and expand each point.

Task 2

- Complete the persuasive writing planning page:
 - Include more details for each point for or against above.
- Watch the video on the sway/read the guidance sheet on the blog for further explanation.

Task 3

- Create a persuasive piece of writing to convince others to agree with your point of view.

Persuasive Writing Success Criteria

In your piece of writing, you must include:

- An introduction which explains your point of view and reasons why
- A main body which has 3 paragraphs explaining each reason why playing outdoors improves children's mental health (separate paragraph for each point)
- At least 3 different sentence openers/connectives at the beginning of each paragraph (*e.g. Some believe that, in my opinion, therefore, moreover, for this reason, surely, firstly, secondly, finally*)
- At least 3 different examples of persuasive language (*E.g. I strongly believe; it is a disgrace! What a waste of time!*)
- Questions to engage the reader (*e.g. can you really justify...? Surely you agree that...? Is it really as important as...?*)
- A conclusion, which restates your point of view and gives a sentence summarising the reasons you gave in each paragraph.

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Morning Starter Activity (Suggested time- 20mins)

Daily Brain Warmer- Choose 2 or 3 activities from the grid.

This can be done either in the morning or as an early finisher task when you have completed other activities.

Maths (1 hour)

Starter Activity (All groups)

- Daily 10 mental maths challenge
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/daily10>

Diamonds

LI: Interpret information from timetables

1. Watch the sway on the blog explaining the task.
2. Complete TJ Bk 2b Chapter 3 Ex 2 p25 (link on blog)

Squares

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1. Watch the sway on the blog explaining the task.
2. Complete TJ Bk 2a Ex4 p35 (link on blog)

Triangles

LI: Find simple time intervals

1. Watch the sway on the blog explaining the task.
2. Complete TJ Bk 1b Chapter 4 Ex 3 p43 (link on blog)

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HWB (1 hour)

- Choose an activity or two from the following HWB grid:

https://www.thinglink.com/card/1316005438709301250?fbclid=IwAR098dUus9-KqHzNNsziszF_RS0bNDI7RkVHSoxE0oYyy1Lv5XA9IR95_Go

IDL (1 hour)

- Complete the Scottish Inventors crossword
- Complete Scottish Inventions and Discoveries crossword
- Scottish inventors wordsearch (optional)