

Second Level Literacy Home Activities

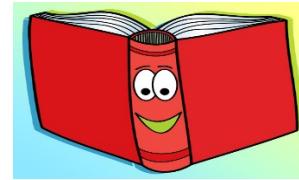
Listen or log on to the news. Listen to/read two news items. Note the main points in your jotter and use them to retell the items to a member of your family.



Select a chapter from a book. Having read it carefully, create five questions about it which you could give to one of your friends. You should include different types of questions e.g. literal and inferential.



Select a book of your choice. Having read a chapter or a few chapters begin to create a visualiser, continue to develop this as you read on.



Select an historical figure. He/she is writing his/her autobiography.

- Create a title for the book
- Illustrate the front cover
- Write an introduction
- Write a 'blurb' for the back cover



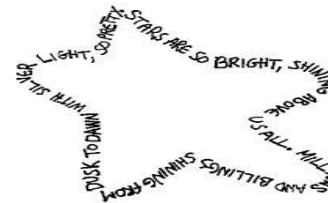
Think of an environmental issue which interests you – e.g. plastic pollution; recycling etc. Do some research and make a three-minute documentary where you are the presenter. Record yourself (and family member you might interview) and keep it for use in school at a later date.



Log on to Sumdog Reading & Spelling. How many questions can you answer correctly?



Write a rhyming, acrostic poem about any subject of your choice.

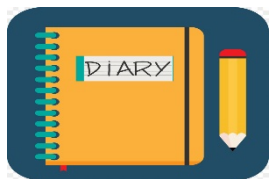


Select a few stories from the news. Design the front page of your own newspaper. Remember to include:

- Title
- Price
- Date
- Pictures
- Headlines
- Adverts



Keep a diary for your days at home, detailing events and activities you are doing.



Write a letter to a friend or relative Giving details of what you have been doing and find out what they have been doing by asking relevant questions.



Select words from books/newspapers/magazines and select appropriate spelling strategies such as syllabification, phonological knowledge, word patterns, mnemonics, spelling rules etc to ensure correct spelling.



Create a text, select a genre, audience and purpose of your choice. You could even word process this and save to share at a later date.

