

Research Your High School

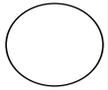
Using the **High School's website, school handbook or family**, carry out some **research** about different aspects of your **new school**. **Answer** the **questions**

below as best you can **using** the **information** you have found.

L.I: To carry out research.

Success Criteria:

- Use different sources to find information.
- Find and select correct information needed.
- Include relevant information to answer the questions.



1. When was the school built?

2. How many pupils are there in the school? How many staff are there, including non-teaching staff?

3. What are the different departments within the school? Can you find out who the head of each department is?

4. Pick a department from the website and explore this section. What information can you find out about that subject?

5. Does the school have any committees? If so what are they?

6. Does the school offer any extra-curricular activities? What are they?

7. When does the new term supposed to begin in August for staff and for pupils?

8. What does the school day look like? Starting times, breaks, finishing and length of each class?

9. Describe the uniform that you will be expected to wear when you start secondary school.

10. Can you identify some of the school rules that you will be expected to follow? Are they any different from your school rules?

11. What other primary schools have pupils who will be starting the same high school as you?

12. Can you find out who the staff are that you will be able to go to if you need some support, help or guidance when you start or at any point in the year?

Any Fears, Worries or Concerns

Moving from Primary to Secondary

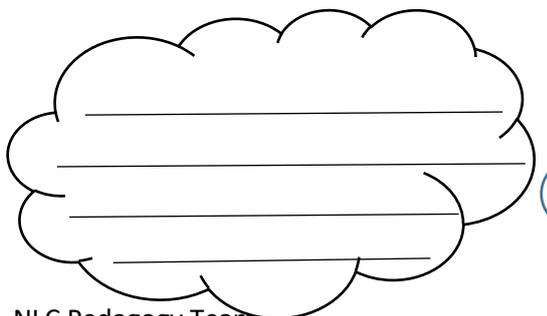
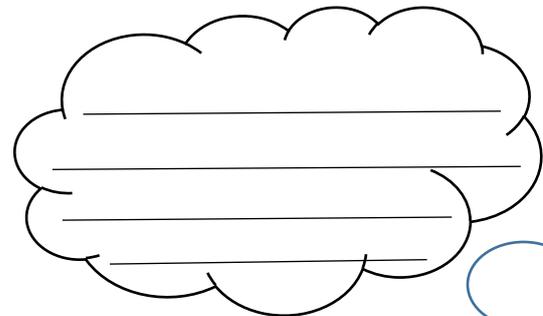
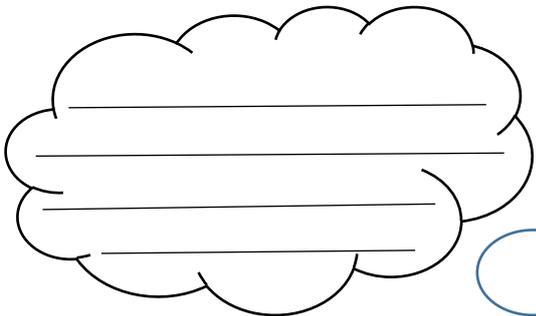
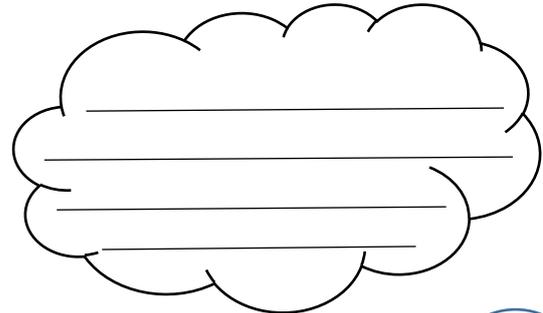
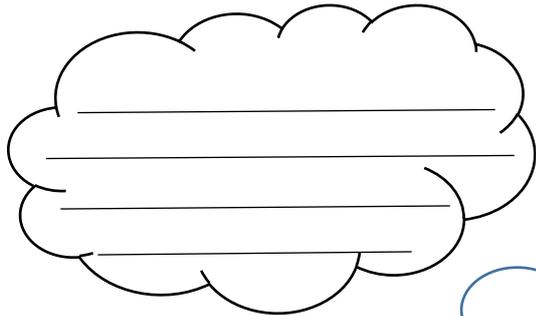
School is all **very exciting** and **new** but at the same time it can be **scary** and **daunting**. On this page have a think about fear, worries or concerns you may

have about starting high school. It **does not matter** how big or how small or how silly you think it is, sometimes putting it down on paper and trying to **find a solution** can make it seem a little **better**. In the clouds below **write any worries or fears** you have about **leaving primary** and **starting secondary** and rate them on how bad they make you feel on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 being a little worried to 5 being extremely worried).

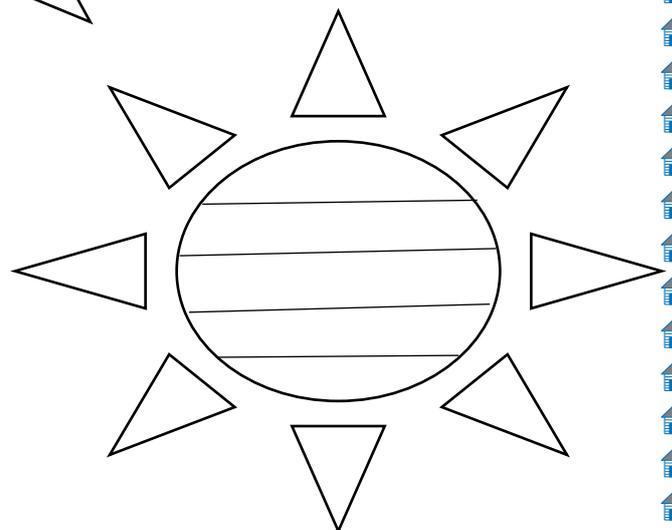
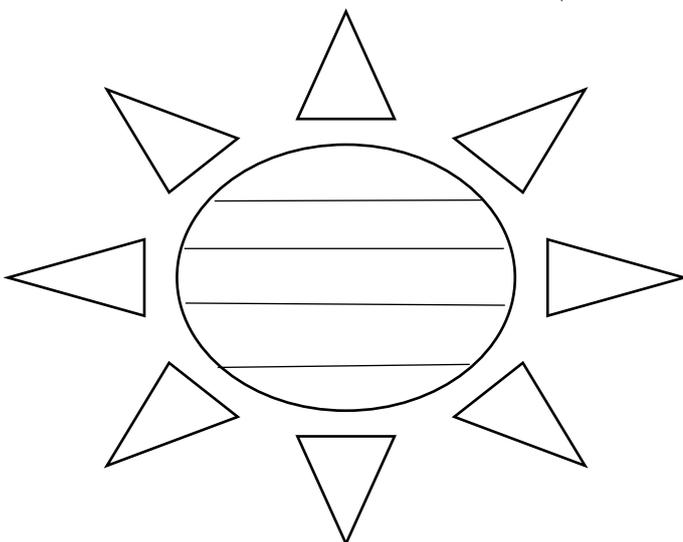
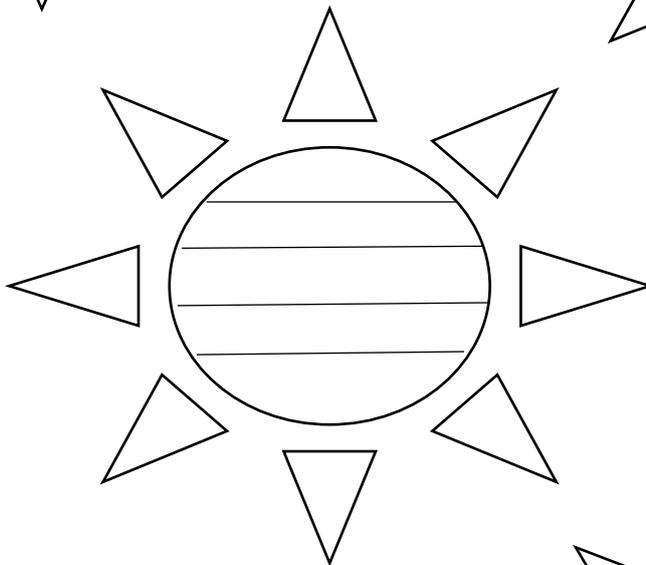
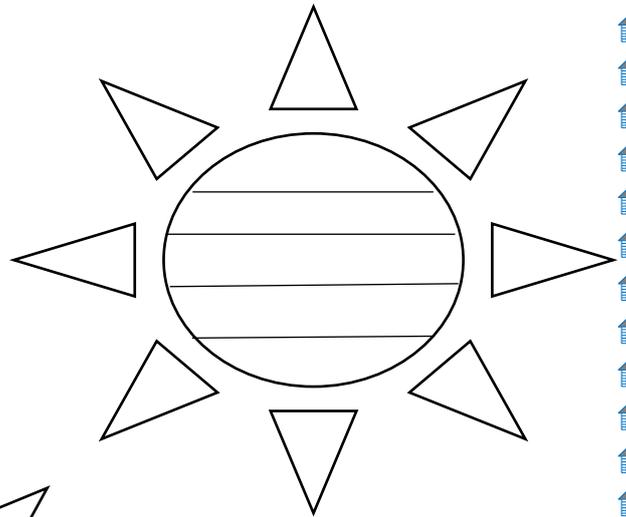
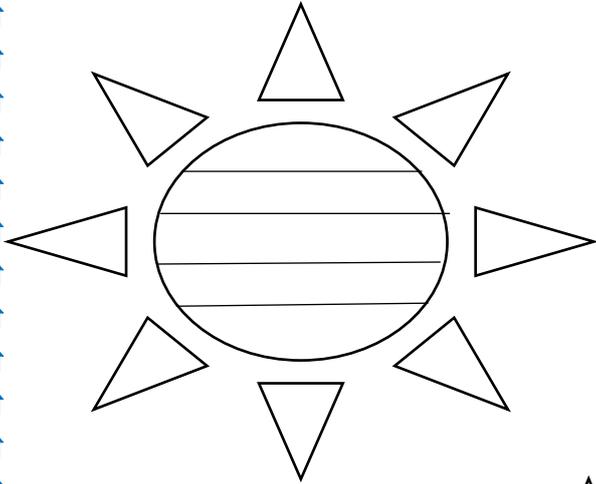
L.I: To share and evaluate my own thoughts and feelings.

Success Criteria:

- Discuss fears and concerns that I have.
- Rate the fears and concerns I have on how they impact me.
- Include a solution or a plan to help with these fears and worries.
- Discuss how the plan or solution will help.



In the suns below, write down some **different ways** that you can **help to stop or ease** these **fears and worries** you have. It can be something **practical, solving the problem, talking** to someone, finding out if it is **true or not**. Try to **come up with a plan** to solve your concerns.



Letter to HT/Head of Year

Using the space below **write a letter** to your **new Head Teacher** or **Head of Year**.

In this letter you may want to **discuss** some different things such as **what** you are **looking forward** to and **any questions** you may have about starting high school.

Think about how you would write a letter, how you may **lay it out** and the **language** you would use. Use your **core targets** throughout the piece of writing.

Paragraph **1**- **Introduction**, **why** you are writing, **who you are**.

Paragraph **2**- Any **thoughts and feelings** you may have. These can be **fears or concerns** you may have, what you are **looking forward to**, what you think **you will enjoy**.

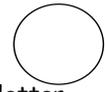
Paragraph **3**- Any **questions or statements** you may have about the **starting high school**.

Conclusion- **Sum up** your letter, a **closing statement** about **how you feel** about starting high school.

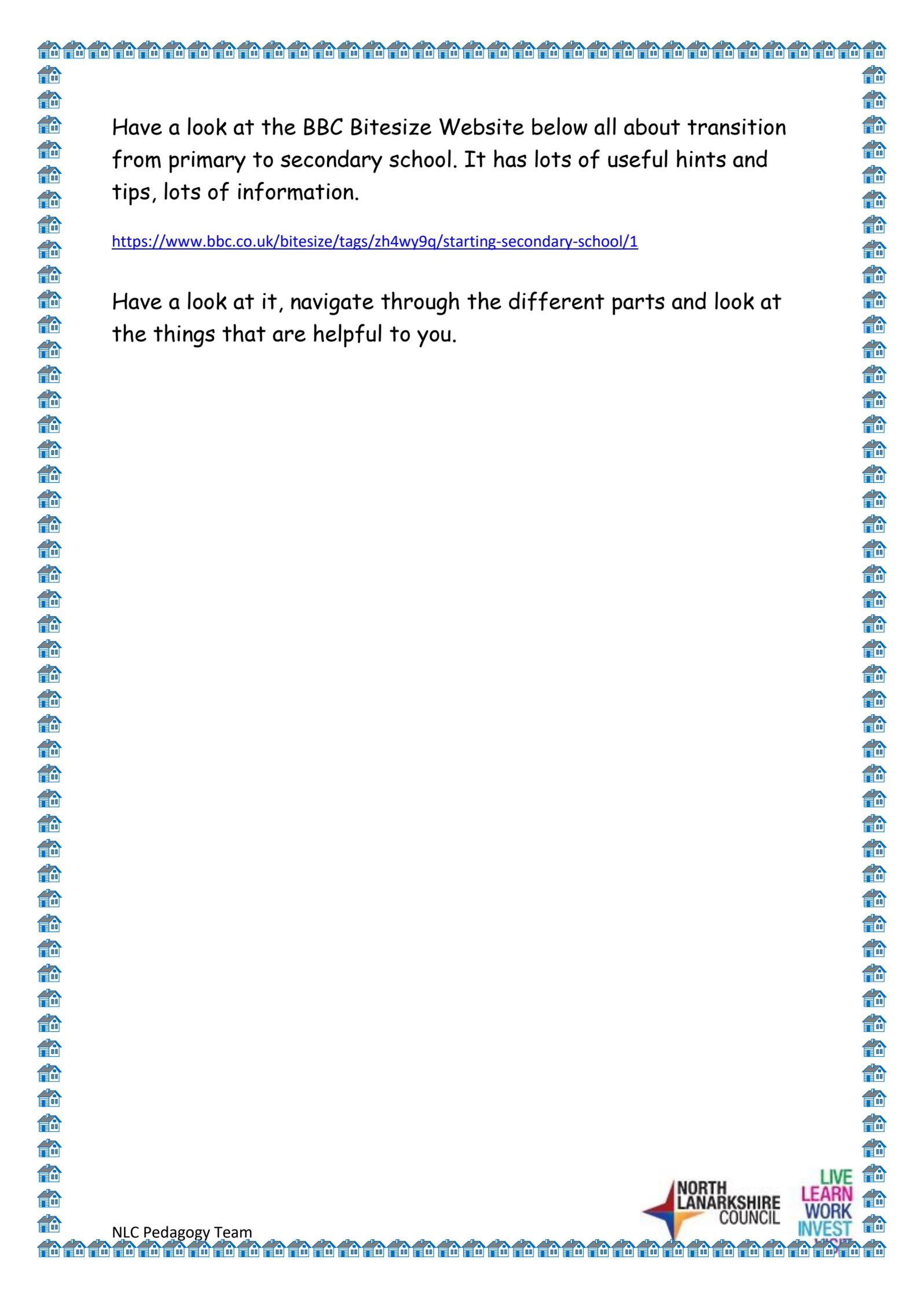
L.I: To write a letter.

Success Criteria:

- Layout in the format of a letter.
- Include personal, formal language throughout the letter.
- Include adjectives to show thoughts and feelings.
- Discuss questions you would like answered.
- Use core targets.



Planning Page



Have a look at the BBC Bitesize Website below all about transition from primary to secondary school. It has lots of useful hints and tips, lots of information.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/zh4wy9q/starting-secondary-school/1>

Have a look at it, navigate through the different parts and look at the things that are helpful to you.