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Literacy lesson plans Primary 3

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This is the sixth
in a series of six
literacy lesson
plan publications,
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Introduction

Teaching and learning processes in Kwara State have improved as a result of the introduction of the new lesson plans developed by the State School Improvement Team (SSIT). The recent improvement in the quality of education in Kwara is a direct function of quality teaching.

Evidence of improved teaching quality includes an increase in the number of pupils completing basic education and a general improvement in literacy and numeracy levels.

Teachers in Kwara have experienced tremendous professional improvements through training and refresher programmes on the new lesson plans, facilitated by SSIT and school support officers (SSOs).

These lesson plans, designed and edited by Education Sector Support Programme in Nigeria (ESSPIN), have become Kwara teachers' classroom companion.

As teaching manuals, the lesson plans have been designed to provide a step-by-step guide in the teaching of literacy and numeracy. The lesson plans promote more collaborative, interactive, participatory and reflective learning to encourage children to become active learners.

I am sure that continuous use of these lesson plans by teachers will raise the standard of our education in Kwara State and also assist in consolidating the new administration's education reform.

I therefore appreciate the contribution of the UK Department for International Development (DFID), through ESSPIN, in designing, editing and producing the lesson plans.

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Introduction

▶ Assessment for learning

Assessment for learning

Effective assessment can support the teaching and learning of all pupils. Used well, it can move pupil learning forward, giving all pupils the chance to be successful learners.

Assessment in the classroom happens all the time, it is an ongoing process. It helps you to find out:

What your pupils have learned.

How well you are teaching.

How to plan your next steps of teaching.

What your pupils are doing well and what they need to practise.

At the beginning of every week the lesson plans explain that in every lesson you should walk round the classroom and ask questions to see if the pupils clearly understand what you have taught them. It is important that if they do not, then you should help by explaining the idea to them again – maybe in a different way or with another example, or you could ask another pupil to help them.

Assessment used each day in the classroom gives you a much broader picture of your pupils' ability and progress. It also helps to give your pupils a sense of achievement, helping them to understand what they can do well and what they still need to practise.

There are many ways that you can assess your pupils' knowledge and understanding:

By observing.

Using careful questioning.

Through discussion with individuals, pairs or groups of pupils.

When marking work produced by individual pupils.

Looking at exams at the end of a term.

In every classroom there will always be some pupils who learn faster than others. When you read the learning outcomes for each day, think about which of your pupils will achieve them at the end of the lesson and which of them will need more time to achieve the learning outcomes.

As you get to know your pupils you will be able to plan how you can help each pupil to do their best in every lesson.

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Introduction

▶ Stories and teaching aids for the term

The greedy tortoise story

Part 1

A long time ago the animals were sad and scared. There had been no rain and the plants did not grow. There was very little food. Some animals stole food. Sometimes there were fights. They were very hungry.

The Lion King called them all to a meeting. He said, 'You must all bring any food to me. I will share it out.' Some of the animals thought this was a trick but he said, 'I will bring my own food first.' Then all the animals agreed. They went to get their food.

Part 2

Tortoise pretended he had no food at all. He started to cry and said, 'I have no food to share.' The other animals felt sorry for him. Lion said, 'Do not worry. You can share our food.'

All the animals brought their food. Lion shared it into small pieces and kept some for the next day. For the first time all the animals had a good meal. After this dinner Tortoise hid behind a big tree. He sang a song, 'Mother, throw down the rope! Throw down the rope! I need food!'

He sang until a rope fell from the top of the tree. He climbed up the rope to the top. His mother lived in a house on a strong tree branch. She had cooked a tasty meal of moi-moi. Tortoise ate and ate. Then he ate some mangoes and oranges. His belly was as big as a bag full of small yams. He slid slowly down the rope.

Part 3

Every day Tortoise ate the other animals' food and then went to the tree. He sang the same song and the rope came down. He ate and ate. His belly was very fat.

One day, Elephant heard him singing. 'Why are you so fat and happy?' he asked. 'It is the air', said Tortoise and he went away. Elephant was angry.

Later, Snake saw Tortoise climbing the tree. She went to tell Lion but Lion did not believe her. Days went by and Tortoise got fatter and fatter while the other animals got thinner. One day, Monkey saw Tortoise climbing the rope. He told Lion but Lion did not believe him.

The next day Lion heard Tortoise singing. He sent Giraffe to find out what Tortoise was doing. Giraffe saw Tortoise climbing the rope. She stretched her long neck to see what he was doing. She saw him eating lots of food. She ran to tell Lion.

Part 4

Lion called all the animals. They marched to the tree. Tortoise started to come down the rope. He saw Lion. He was afraid. He fell and hit the ground. His shell broke into pieces. Lion pulled him up and said, 'If you don't tell me what you have been doing I will not mend your shell.'

Tortoise told Lion that he kept a lot of food in the tree. He said he was sorry for not sharing it. Lion mended his shell. Tortoise took all the animals up the tree for a feast. After that he always shared his food.

Sunshine and rain story

In the dry season the weather is very hot and dry. The flowers dry up and die. The leaves die on the trees. The grass gets brown and we cannot find food to eat. The water in the rivers and lakes gets very low. We all wait and watch for rain.

At last we see black clouds in the sky. We work hard in the fields and gardens. Every day we look at the sky and we say, 'Tomorrow we shall have rain'. Then the wind begins to blow and at last the rain falls. Sometimes we have heavy rain, sometimes just a little rain. The ground gets soft and we plant our seeds in the soft, wet soil.

Soon we see little green leaves coming up out of the earth. The plants start to grow.

The weather is changing. Sometimes we have rain, sometimes we have sun. Day by day the plants grow bigger and stronger.

After this comes the heavy rain. The thunder roars. Rain pours down from the sky each day. The rivers get full of water. The heavy rain runs down the street. The ground is muddy. The ditches fill with water. Everyone is happy. The plants grow taller every day. Everywhere we see beautiful flowers. The grass grows green and the goats and cows have plenty to eat. After the heavy rain the sun shines again and soon the crops are ripe and ready to pick. Then we are thankful for having rain and plenty of good food.

Sunshine and rain sentences

Plants grow.
The goats and cows can eat.
We plant seeds in the soil.
The grass is brown.
We see black clouds.
The rain comes.
It is very hot.

Animal facts

African **elephants** are the biggest land animals in the world. Elephants have very thick, grey skin. African elephants have very big ears and long trunks. They have long, pointed tusks. Elephants eat grass, leaves, shoots, fruit and bamboo. They use their long trunks to pick up food from the ground and to drink water.

Camels have a hump. Camels can live without food for a long time because they have fat in their humps. If camels get angry they spit. They can run fast. They have very long legs. They have long eyelashes to keep the sand out of their eyes. They eat leaves, seeds and grass.

Crocodiles have scaly skin. They have long, low bodies and short legs. Crocodiles have very big jaws and sharp teeth. They live in water and on the land. They can swim fast. Crocodiles eat fish and birds.

Monkeys live in trees. They live with their families. They are very noisy and like to chatter. They eat bananas. They have long tails. They can swing from tree to tree.

Snakes live in holes in the ground or in trees. Some snakes are poisonous. They have a sharp bite. They have a forked tongue. They have a long body. They lay eggs.

Stick puppets

Draw an animal on to a piece of paper or card.

Cut it out. Make a set of lions for the Lion group, a set of tortoises for the Tortoise group, and so on.

Get a stick about twice as long as the piece of card. Stick it on the **back** of the card with masking tape.

Spelling tricky words

Look carefully at the word. How many letters has it got? Are there any dangly or tall letters? Can you sound any letters out? **Air write** the word.

Say the word five times.

Hide the word.

Write the word.

Check the word carefully. Well done if it is correct, but if any letters are wrong change them.

Look at the word again carefully and repeat the steps if necessary.

Ngozi's letter

____ School,
PO Box ____
____ State
____ 2013

Dear _____,
I hope you _____

Yours _____,
Ngozi



Week
26
The scorpion's sting

Letters/sounds

Words/phrases

Assessment

High frequency words

List 1

said
have
do
some
come
were
there
one
children
what

List 2

their
people
oh
looked
called
asked
could
would
should

happily
sadly
angrily
suddenly
carefully
quickly
fetched
mangoes
scorpion
screamed
understand
different

During the lesson, walk round the classroom and ask questions to see if the pupils clearly understand what you have taught them. If not, help them to understand by explaining the idea to them again, or asking other pupils to help them. You may need to use some different examples of the idea.

The scorpion's sting

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read and spell high frequency words.

Use adverbs in sentences.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Have ready the 'u-e' flash cards from last week.

Write the sentences opposite on the chalkboard.

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 137—138.

Make a set of the first six key words on large flash cards for each group.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Flash the 'u-e' cards.

Write, 'said', 'have', 'do', 'some' and 'come' on the chalkboard.

Ask if anyone can read them.

Ask why these words are difficult to read. (The 'ai' in 'said' has a different sound from the sound in 'rain and 'again'.)

Read the sentences to the class and ask the pupils which words are missing.

Ask the pupils to complete the sentences in their exercise books.

10 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

Introduction

Pair task

Ask the pupils to look at the picture in Macmillan Primary English 3, page 137.

Ask them to discuss what they can see.

Ask each pair to think of two sentences about the picture.

Choose some pairs to say their sentences to the class.

Show, read and explain the first six key words.

Tell the pupils to read the words with you.

25 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

Main activity

Group task

Read and explain the story in Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 137 —138 to the pupils.

Ask them questions to make sure they understand it.

Give each group a set of key words.

Ask them why they think all the words end in ('ly').

Ask if anyone can remember what a verb is (a doing or a being word).

Tell them that words that describe verbs are called **adverbs**.

10 minutes

Plenary

Individual task

Ask the pupils to write sentences about themselves using the adverbs in their exercise books, eg: 'I do my work carefully.', 'I shout angrily when I am hurt.'

Choose some pupils to read their sentences to the class.

Sentences

I can do it, ___ Simbi.

Apo and Nkem ___ to get bananas from the market.

'We ___ like bananas', said the girls.

Nkem has to get ___ books.

'___ and buy my rice', begs the market woman.

The new wife

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read and spell high frequency words.

Use adverbs and adjectives in their writing.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Have ready the 'u-e' flash cards.

Draw a picture of three children standing by a mango tree.

Write the last six key words on large flash cards.

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 137—139.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Flash the 'u-e' cards.

Write 'were, there, one, children, what' on the chalkboard and ask the pupils to try to read them.

Ask them to look at your picture and say what is happening.

Write, 'The children were going to get a mango from the tree.'

Give the pupils a few minutes to read the sentence in their groups.

Write, 'How many children were there?', 'How many trees were there?', 'What were the children going to get?'

Choose some pupils to read the questions and tell everyone to think of answers and write them in their exercise books.

Read some answers to the class.

10 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

Introduction

Pair task

Ask if anyone remembers the story they read yesterday.

Tell the pupils to follow as you read the story in Macmillan Primary English 3, page 137.

Ask pairs to think of some words to describe the new wife.

Write their ideas on the chalkboard.

Choose some pupils to help you role play the story as you read it again.

25 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

Main activity

Whole class teaching

Hold up the last six key words, read and explain them.

Ask the pupils to find them in the story.

Hold up the first six key words and ask the pupils to read them with you.

Choose some pupils to say sentences containing each word.

10 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Read the story in Macmillan Primary English 3, page 137 again.

Lola and Ngozi

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read the words 'their', 'people' and 'oh'.

Answer questions about a story they have read.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write the revision high frequency words on flash cards.

Make two sets of key word flash cards for each group.

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 137—139.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Flash the revision cards and ask the pupils to tell you the words.

Write, 'The children put their pens on the desk.' on the chalkboard and read it.

Point to 'their' and read it again.

Tell the pupils to say the word five times to a partner.

Write, 'A lot of people went to the market.' and repeat the process with the word 'people'.

Write, "Oh. I am hurt", said Simbi.' and repeat the process with the word 'oh'.

Choose some pupils to read the three sentences.

10
minutes

Game

25
minutes

Macmillan
Primary English 3

10
minutes

Introduction

Group task

Hold up the key word flash cards and ask the pupils to read them.

Choose some pupils to explain them or say them in a sentence.

Shuffle the two sets of key word flash cards together and place them face down in front of each group.

Play the card matching game.

Main activity

Group task

Ask if anyone can remember 'The scorpion's sting' story.

Ask each group to discuss and say some of the jobs the girls had to do.

Tell the pupils to follow the story in Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 137—138 as you read it.

Read questions a—f about the story.

Give each group a different question to discuss.

Ask each group to read their question and say the answer. Ask the other groups if they agree.

Individual task

Ask pupils to say any jobs they have to do at home.

Ask the pupils to draw themselves doing a job in their exercise books.

Tell them to write a sentence under it, eg: 'I clean the rooms.', 'I fetch water.'

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Choose some pupils to read out their sentences to the class.

Lesson
title

What happens next?

15
minutes

Words

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read the words 'looked', 'called' and 'asked'.

Predict the ending of a story.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Have ready the revision high frequency words and the words learned yesterday on flash cards.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Flash the revision cards and ask the pupils to read the words.

Write, 'Fati looked for her goat' on the chalkboard and read it with the pupils.

Point to 'looked' and read it again.

Tell the pupils to say the word five times to a partner without sounding it out.

Write, 'The man called to his dog' and repeat the process for the word 'called'.

Write, 'Edet asked Fati to play with him' and repeat the process for the word 'asked'.

Choose some pupils to read the three sentences.

10
minutes

Introduction

Pair task

Remind the pupils that they have been reading 'The scorpion's sting'.

Tell them they are going to retell the story in their pairs.

Tell one pupil to start telling their partner the story.

After a minute say, 'Stop!' and ask their partner to continue telling the story.

25
minutes

Main activity

Group task

Ask the pupils to discuss in their groups what they think happened next in the story.

Ask them to draw a picture explaining what might happen to Lola and another of Ngozi telling her father what happened.

Ask the pupils to draw speech bubbles next to each person and write what they say in them.

Ask each group to use their drawings to explain what they think will happen in the ending.

10
minutes

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Choose some pupils to read their endings to the class.

Individual task

Tell the pupils to think about the different endings they have heard and choose one.

Write, 'The man took Lola ____.' on the chalkboard and ask them to complete this sentence in their exercise books.

Tell them to explain where he took her and write more sentences describing what happened next.

Tell them to include what the wife and the father said and did.

The scorpion's sting

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read the words 'could', 'would' and 'should'.

Retell and write a story.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Have ready the revision high frequency words and the words learned this week on cards.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Flash the word cards.

Write, 'could', 'should' and 'would' on the chalkboard, read them out and explain their meaning.

Write: 'He could do his sums.', 'Edet would like to do his sums.', 'He should do his sums but he went out to play.'

Ask pupils to help you role play the sentences.

Read the first sentence, then point to 'could' and read it.

Tell the pupils to say the word five times to a partner without sounding it out.

Repeat this process with the other sentences.

10
minutes

Introduction

Group task

Tell the pupils there are four sections in the story about the scorpion:

- 1 Lola and Ngozi doing all the jobs.
- 2 The father marrying.
- 3 Lola being stung by the scorpion.
- 4 The man taking Lola away and Ngozi running home.

Ask the groups to discuss what the people might say in each section.

25
minutes

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Main activity

Pair task

Choose some pupils to role play each section as you slowly read the story in Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 137—138.

Encourage the pupils to make up their own speech for the characters.

Repeat, choosing different pupils to role play.

Tell the pupils to put their textbooks away.


10
minutes

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Read some of the stories and praise the pupils' efforts.

Ask the class to say if they have missed any sections out or if they could add more ideas.



Week
27
The kind man



Letters/sounds

Revise high frequency words

old
by
house
about
your
day
here
live
give
saw
very
because
only
little

Words/phrases

soup
carried
wrapper
daughter
another
young
lonely
allow
agreed
presents
English

Assessment

During each lesson, walk around the classroom and ask questions to see if the pupils clearly understand what you have taught them. If not, help them to understand by explaining the idea to them again, or asking other pupils to help them. You may need to use some different examples of the idea.

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**Week 27
The kind man
Day 1**

Lesson
title

Happy and sad

15
minutes

Words

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Use a simple method to learn to spell high frequency words.

Write the opposites of some words.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Read the instructions for spelling tricky words' in the introduction.

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 141—142.

Write the first six key words on large flash cards.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Tell the pupils that some words are used a lot and we need to make sure we can spell them really well.

Write 'old', 'by' and 'house' on the chalkboard and explain their meaning.

Teach the pupils how to spell these words using the 'look, say, hide, write, check' method.

Dictate the following sentences slowly for the pupils to write in their exercise books: 'The old man had a bent back.', 'Edet sits by Tomi.', 'Edet cleans the house.'

10
minutes

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25
minutes

10
minutes

Introduction

Whole class teaching

Ask the pupils to say what they can see in the picture in Macmillan Primary English 3, page 141.

Ask them what they think has happened to Lola.

Hold up each key word flash card and explain it.

Read the story to the class up to where the father says 'thank you' and explain it.

Main activity

Whole class teaching

On the chalkboard, write 'The man was good but the wife was ____.'

Read the sentence and ask the pupils to discuss in pairs what the missing word could be.

Ask the pupils to say their ideas.

Write the following words in two lists on the chalkboard:

good	sad
happy	hot
kind	mean
boy	girl
generous	cruel
cold	bad

Read and explain the words to the pupils.

Choose some pairs to come and draw arrows to join opposite words.

Pair task

Write 'The man was ____ but the wife was ____.'

Tell the pairs to choose a word to describe the man and an opposite word to describe the wife.

Tell them to write opposite sentences about the man and wife in their exercise books.

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Ask some pairs to read their sentences to the class.

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**Week 27
The kind man
Day 2**

Lesson
title

The kind man

15
minutes

Words

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read the words: 'about', 'your', 'day' and 'here'.

Answer questions about a story.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write all the key words on large flash cards.

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 141—143.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Dictate the following for the pupils to write in their exercise books: 'old', 'by' and 'house'.

Write the words on the chalkboard and ask them to check their spellings.

If they are not correct, ask the pupils to write them correctly.

Write 'about', 'your', 'day' and 'made' on the chalkboard and explain their meaning.

Teach the pupils how to spell these words using the 'look, say, hide, write, check' method.

Dictate the following sentences slowly for them to write in their exercise books: 'I like to sing about the sun.', 'I took your pen from the desk.', 'Edet had a nice day with Ali.', 'Here is Ali.'

10 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

25 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

10 minutes

Introduction

Whole class teaching

Hold up the first six key word flash cards and ask the pupils to read them.

Hold up the next six key words and read and explain them.

Ask the pupils to follow as you read the whole story in Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 141—142.

Hold up each key word, ask the pupils to read it and point to it in the story.

Main activity

Group task

Read the story in Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 141—142 again.

Remind the pupils what an **adjective** is and ask them to think of some adjectives to describe the man.

Ask what they think happened to the new wife, eg: does she have to do all the work now?

Read out questions a—f in Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 142—143.

Give each group a different question to discuss.

Ask each group to read their question and say the answer. Ask the other groups if they agree.

Pair task

Read the story again.

Write 'generous', 'cruel', 'mean' and 'kind' on the chalkboard.

Choose some pupils to read the words out to the class.

Explain their meanings.

Ask the pupils to draw the wife and the man in their exercise books.

Tell them to write words to describe the man and the wife next to each drawing, then to write the opposite words.

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Choose some pairs to show their drawings and words to the class.

Ngozi

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read and spell some high frequency words.

Make up speech for characters in a story.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write each of the sentences listed opposite on a flash card.

Cut each sentence into words so that each group can have a pack of words.

Make two sets of the key words on flash cards for each group.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Dictate these words for the pupils to write in their exercise books: 'about', 'your', 'day' and 'here'.

Write the words on the chalkboard and ask them to check their spellings.

If they are not correct, ask the pupils to write them correctly.

Give each group a cut up sentence.

Ask them to read the words together and arrange the words so they make sense.

Ask the groups to read their sentence to the class.

Check they are correct.

Swap the sentences and repeat.

10
minutes

Game

25
minutes

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10
minutes

Introduction

Group task

Hold up the key word flash cards and ask the pupils to read them.

Choose some pupils to explain them or say them in a sentence.

Shuffle the two sets of key word flash cards together and place them face down in front of each group.

Play the card matching game.

Main activity

Whole class teaching

Read the story in Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 141—142 again and ask the pupils how many sections there are in the story.

Tell them there are four sections in the story:

- 1 Ngozi talking to the wife.
- 2 Ngozi crying.
- 3 The father talking to the man in the clinic.
- 4 The man taking Lola and Ngozi home.

Ask the groups to discuss what the people might say in each section.

Ask them to write 'The kind man' in their exercise books.

Ask them to draw pictures for each section of the story.

Tell them to write the names of the people in their pictures and draw speech bubbles next to them.

Ask them to write what each person is saying in the speech bubbles.

Ask them to try to write a sentence under each picture explaining what is happening.

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Choose different groups to role play each section of the story.

Encourage them to make up speech for the people in each section.

Sentences

Ali went to the old house.
It is time to clean the room.
The sun shines in the day.
I like the song about the sun.
Tomi lives here with Simbi.

A letter from Ngozi

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read the words 'live', 'give', 'saw' and 'very'.

Write a simple letter.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Copy 'Ngozi's letter' from the introduction on to a large piece of paper for each group, leaving room for the pupils to fill in the gaps.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Write 'live', 'give', 'saw' and 'very' on the chalkboard and read them to the class.

Explain their meaning and discuss the tricky bits.

Teach the pupils how to spell the words using the 'look, say, hide, write, check' method.

Dictate the following sentences slowly for the pupils to write in their exercise books: 'I live in a house.', 'I give my pen to Simbi.', 'Simbi saw Edet in the house.', 'It is very hot.'

10
minutes

Introduction

Pair task

Remind the pupils they have been reading a story called 'The kind man'.

Ask them to describe how Lola and Ngozi feel now they are living with the kind man, eg: 'happy', 'safe', 'warm'.

Write some of their ideas on the chalkboard.

25
minutes

Main activity

Group task

Tell the pupils that Ngozi has started to write a letter to her father but she needs help with it.

Ask them what she needs to write first in her letter, ie: her address on the right-hand side with the date underneath.

Ask them what she needs to do next, ie: write 'Dear Father' on the left-hand side.

Give each group a copy of the letter.

10
minutes

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Read some of the letters to the class.

Ask them to discuss what the missing words in the first sentences could be, and write them in their group letter.

Tell them to use some of the words on the chalkboard to write how Ngozi feels now, eg: 'I am very happy.'

Tell them to write some of the things that she does, eg: 'I play with the daughter.', 'We go to school.', 'We have a lot to eat.'

Give them time to finish the letters.

Longer sentences

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read the words 'little', 'only' and 'because'.

Write sentences using the word 'because'.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write 'little', 'only' and 'because' on the chalkboard.

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, page 146, Exercise 8.

Copy the 'because' sentences opposite on to strips of card or paper.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Dictate the following words for the pupils to write in their exercise books: 'live', 'give', 'saw', 'very'.

Read 'little', 'only' and 'because' to the class.

Explain their meaning and discuss the tricky bits.

Teach the pupils how to spell the words using the 'look, say, hide, write, check' method.

Dictate the following sentences slowly for the pupils to write in their exercise books: 'The little girl is sad.', 'There is only rice to eat.', 'She is sad because she is lost.'

10
minutes

25
minutes | Macmillan
Primary English 3

10
minutes

Introduction

Main activity

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Ask if anyone can remember some adjectives to describe the man in the story they have been reading, eg: 'kind', 'good', 'generous'.

Write their ideas on the chalkboard.

Ask the pupils to say the opposites of these words to describe the wife.

Individual task

Explain Macmillan Primary English 3, page 146, Exercise 8, making sure the pupils understand all the words.

Ask the pupils to complete the exercise in their exercise books.

Group task

Tell the pupils that the word 'because' can be used to make sentences longer.

Tell them it is used to explain why something happens.

Give each group one of the 'because' sentences.

Ask the pupils to read and discuss an ending for their sentence.

Tell them they can look in Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 141—142 to help them.

Tell them to write the completed sentence in their exercise books.

Swap the cards around and repeat several times so each group completes at least four sentences.

Whole class teaching

Read each 'because' sentence to the class.

Choose pupils from different groups to read their answers.

Ask the other groups if they are correct. If not, ask them to explain why.

Because sentences

The wife was angry because...

The wife got up because...

My daughter wants a friend because...

Ngozi and Lola were happy because...

The daughter was happy because...



Week
28
Water

A sepia-toned photograph of a person wearing a white headscarf, looking down at an open book on a wooden desk. The image is used as a background for the document.

Letters/sounds

Words/phrases

Assessment

High frequency words

people
old
your
only
about
very
time
house
could
would
should

drinking
cooking
cleaning
washing
water
stream
government
pure
clothes
plants

During each lesson, walk around the classroom and ask questions to see if the pupils clearly understand what you have taught them. If not, help them to understand by explaining the idea to them again, or asking other pupils to help them. You may need to use some different examples of the idea.

Water

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Spell some high frequency words.

Read a passage for information.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write the first six high frequency words on the chalkboard and on flash cards for each pair.

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 153—154.

Write the first five key words on large flash cards.

Letters and sounds

Pair task

Read out the words on the chalkboard.

Use the 'look, say, hide, write, check' method to teach the pupils how to spell one of the words.

Give each pair a set of high frequency word cards.

Ask one to hold up the card for the other to look at carefully, say and air write.

Tell the pupils to hide the card while their partner tries to write it.

If it is correct, do the next card. If it is incorrect, repeat the process.

When all the words are written correctly, tell the pupils to swap roles and start again.

10 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

Introduction

Whole class teaching

Ask the pupils to look at the picture in Macmillan Primary English 3, page 153.

Choose some pupils to describe what they can see.

Ask if anyone can read the title.

Ask them to say some of the things we need water for.

Show, read and explain the first five key words.

Tell the pupils to read the words with you.

25 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

Main activity

Group task

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 153—154 to the pupils and explain it.

Tell them this is not a story. This kind of writing is called an **information report**.

Explain that an information report tells us facts about something.

Read the passage again.

10 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Ask each group to say a sentence and ask the others if they are correct.

Read the passage in Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 153—154 again.

Ask the pupils to say where they get water from.

A poem about water

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Write sentences with high frequency
words.

Discuss ideas for words to be used
in a poem.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Have ready the set of high frequency
word flash cards from yesterday for
each pair.

Write the sentences listed opposite
on the chalkboard.

Make two sets of all the key words
on flash cards for each group.

Letters and sounds

Pair task

Flash the high frequency word cards.

Read the sentences with the pupils.

Ask them to underline the words they
have learned to spell.

Rub the words out.

Give each pair a set of high
frequency word flash cards.

Tell the pupils to use the cards to
help them complete the sentences in
their exercise books.

10
minutes | Game

25
minutes | Macmillan
Primary English 3

10
minutes

Introduction

Group task

Flash the first five key words.

Hold up the next five key words, read and explain them.

Shuffle the two sets of key word flash cards together and place them face down in front of each group.

Play the card matching game.

Main activity

Whole class teaching

Tell the pupils they are going to help you write a **poem**.

Explain that a poem is a collection of words that describe something. Poems do not have to rhyme.

Ask pupils to think of: some adjectives to describe water, some ways they use water, and ideas about who needs water.

Ask the pupils to say their ideas and write them on the chalkboard eg: cool, clean, pure water. Cleaning, cooking and washing. People and plants need water.

Tell them that they have written a type of poem.

Tell the pupils to read the poem with you. Keep it for the next day.

Plenary

Group task

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 153—154 to the class.

Read and explain the questions in Exercise 1.

Give each group two different questions to discuss.

Whole class teaching

Ask each group to read their questions and say the answers to the class, and ask the other groups if they are correct.

Sentences

A lot of people go to the market.
The old man had a bad leg.
I like your dress.
There is only one pen left.
He is about nine years old.
It is a very hot day.

Sunshine and rain

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Spell some high frequency words.

Sequence sentences correctly.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write the last five high frequency words on flash cards for each pair.

Have ready the class poem from yesterday.

Read 'Sunshine and rain' in the introduction and make a set of 'Sunshine and rain' sentences for each group.

Letters and sounds

Pair task

Write the last five high frequency words on the chalkboard and ask if anyone can read them.

Give each pair a set of words.

Ask one to hold up the card for the other to look at carefully, say and air write.

Tell them to hide the card while their partner tries to write it.

If it is correct, tell them to do the next card.

If it is incorrect, tell them to repeat the process.

When all the words are written correctly tell the pupils to swap roles and start again.

10
minutes

Story

25
minutes

10
minutes

Introduction

Whole class teaching

Read the poem from yesterday.

Explain to the class that they are going to collect words and ideas to help them write another poem about the rain.

Read 'Sunshine and rain'.

Read it again and ask the pupils to role play each section: the dry season, the rain starting to come, the heavy rain, crops growing.

Main activity

Group task

Give each group a set of 'Sunshine and rain' sentences.

Tell them to read each sentence carefully and try to arrange them in the correct order to explain the dry and rainy seasons.

Tell them to discuss what happens first, ie: it is hot, and then decide what comes next.

When they have ordered the sentences, tell the pupils to read them and discuss if they think they are correct.

Ask each group to read their sentences and ask the others to say if they are correct.

Plenary

Pair task

Ask the pupils to discuss what sound the rain makes, eg: 'drums on the roof'.

Ask them, 'What does the rain do to you? How does it make you feel?'

Write their ideas on the chalkboard and keep them for the next day.

In the rainy season

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Write high frequency words in sentences.

Collect ideas for a poem.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Have ready the high frequency word flash cards from yesterday for each pair.

Write the word sentences listed opposite on the chalkboard.

Make sure that 'Sunshine and rain' and the ideas for the rain poem from yesterday are on the chalkboard.

Letters and sounds

Pair task

Flash the word cards from yesterday.

Read the sentences with the pupils.

Ask them to underline the words they have learned to spell.

Give each pair a set of words.

Ask them to put the words into new sentences.

Ask them to say their sentences to the class.

10
minutes

Story

25
minutes

10
minutes

Introduction

Pair task

Read 'Sunshine and rain' to the pupils.

Read it again and ask them to role play the different sections.

Ask them to describe what it is like in the dry season and how people feel.

Ask them to describe what happens in a rainstorm using adjectives, eg: lightning flashes, flooded streets.

Write their ideas on the chalkboard.

Main activity

Whole class teaching

Ask the pupils to draw pictures to show what happens in the dry season, when the rain starts to come, during the heavy rain and when the sun shines.

Ask them to discuss in their groups what people often say at each of these times, eg: in the dry season.

Tell them to write what people might say in speech bubbles on their drawings.

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Ask each group to do their role play for the class.

Ask pupils from different groups to read their sentences.

Add some of their ideas to the list on the chalkboard and keep it for tomorrow.

Sentences

It is time for bed.

Edet went into his house.

Edet could do his sums when he had help.

I would like to play with you.

You should get on with your work.

Lesson
title

15
minutes

Words

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lesson plans**
Primary 3

Term 3
**Assessment for
learning**

Week 28
Water
Day 5

A rain poem

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Write high frequency words in sentences.

Write a simple poem about rain.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Have ready all the high frequency words learned this week on flash cards.

Have ready the adjectives and ideas for the rain poem from yesterday.

Have ready the 'Water' poem written earlier in the week.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Hold up the high frequency word flash cards and read them with the pupils.

Choose some pupils to try to write them on the chalkboard.

Rub the words off the chalkboard.

Read each word slowly.

Ask the pupils to write a sentence with some of the words.

Write some of the sentences on the chalkboard.

Ask the pupils to check the spellings.

10
minutes

Introduction

Whole class teaching

Read the ideas that the pupils have collected this week.

Ask if they can think of any other words to describe the rain and what happens when it rains.

Add any new ideas to the list.

Read 'Water' and ask the pupils what kind of writing it is, ie: a poem.

Remind them that a poem is a collection of ideas to describe something.

Tell them they are now ready to write their own poems about the rain.

25
minutes

Main activity

Pair task

Tell the pupils to write 'Rain' in their exercise books.

Ask them to choose some of the words on the chalkboard to describe how it feels in the dry season. Tell the pupils to write them under 'Rain'.

Explain that they do not need to write sentences when they write a poem.

Ask some pairs to say some of the words they have chosen and write them on the chalkboard so they can see how to set out their poem, eg: 'rain, hot dry day, grass brown, no rain'.

10
minutes

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Choose some pairs to read their poems to the class.

Ask the others to say what they liked about the poems.

A young child in a school uniform is focused on writing on a large sheet of paper. The child is wearing a dark sweater over a white collared shirt. The paper has several lines of cursive handwriting. The background is a warm, brownish-orange color, suggesting a classroom or library setting. The overall mood is one of concentration and learning.

Week
29
The zoo

Letters/sounds

CCVC words

spin
spot
stop
trip
track
twin
clap
plan
swim
sniff
green
spoil
clown
brown
bring
brush
sport
speech

Words/phrases

neighbours
cousins
elephant
trunk
tusks
ivory
monkeys
crocodiles
snakes
camels

Assessment

During each lesson, walk around the classroom and ask questions to see if the pupils clearly understand what you have taught them. If not, help them to understand by explaining the idea to them again, or asking other pupils to help them. You may need to use some different examples of the idea.

The zoo

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read CCVC words.

Describe an animal.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write the following words on the chalkboard: 'spin', 'spot', 'stop', 'trip', 'track', 'twin', 'clap', 'plan', 'swim', 'sniff'.

Write the key words on large flash cards.

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 158—159.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Tell the pupils they are going to learn to read CCVC words quickly.

Point to 'spin'.

Cover the first letter and read the word 'pin'.

Reveal the whole word, point to the first letter and say it with the class, 'sssss'.

Hold the sound as you point to the next consonant and slide them together.

Continue to sound out the rest of the word.

Help the pupils read the other words in the same way.

10 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

25 minutes | Macmillan Primary English 3

10 minutes | Game

Introduction

Whole class teaching

Tell the pupils to look at the picture in Macmillan Primary English 3, page 158.

Ask each pair to say three things they can see.

Ask if anyone can read the title of the story.

Ask if anyone has ever been to a zoo.

Explain that a zoo is a place where people can see animals from all over the world. The animals are in cages and are looked after. People pay to see the animals.

Hold up the first six key words, read and explain them.

Main activity

Group task

Tell the pupils to follow as you read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 158—159.

Explain the story and read it again.

Tell them to write down each animal mentioned in the story in their exercise books.

Tell them to discuss what they know about each animal.

Tell them to write three words by each animal, eg: elephant: long trunk grey, monkey: swing climb brown.

Ask each group to read their list of animals and some words they have written about them.

Write their ideas on the chalkboard and keep them for the next day.

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Take the pupils outside to play a game called 'Animals freeze'.

Say an animal name and tell the pupils to move like that animal, eg: waving an arm for like an elephant's trunk, opening and closing their hands like a crocodile's jaw.

Repeat with the other animals.

At intervals say, 'Freeze' and tell the pupils they must stand perfectly still until you say another animal name.

Anyone who is not moving correctly or who moves when you say 'Freeze' is out.

Continue until only a few pupils remain. They are the winners.

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Assessment for
learning

Week 29
The zoo
Day 2

Lesson
title

Animals

15
minutes

CCVC words

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Spell CCVC words.

Say some verbs to describe an animal.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Make two sets of key word flash cards for each group.

Have ready on the chalkboard the list of animals from yesterday.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Tell the pupils they are going to learn to spell CCVC words.

Sound out 'spin' and ask, 'How many sounds can you hear?'

Write the word in a sound grid as shown below left.

Repeat with the other words. Explain that 'track' and 'sniff' have three sounds as shown below right.

Rub the words off the chalkboard.

Dictate three words and ask the pupils to spell them in their exercise books.

Remind the pupils to sound the words out quietly as they write them.

s	p	i	n
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t	r	a	ck
---	---	---	----

10
minutes

Game

25
minutes

Game

Macmillan
Primary English 3

10
minutes

Macmillan
Primary English 3

Introduction

Group task

Flash the first six key words.

Hold up the next four key words, read them and explain them to the class.

Shuffle the two sets of key word flash cards together and place them face down in front of each group.

Play the card matching game.

Main activity

Whole class teaching

Ask the pupils if they can say what a zoo is and name some of the animals they read about yesterday.

Play the 'Animals freeze' game from yesterday.

Remind the pupils that a **verb** is a doing word.

In groups, ask the pupils to think of some verbs for each animal, eg: elephants walk, monkeys climb.

Ask the pupils to say their ideas and add them to the list of animals on the chalkboard.

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 158—159 with the pupils.

Read and explain the questions in Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 159—160, Exercise 1.

Plenary

Group task

Give each group two different questions from Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 159—160, exercise 1 to discuss.

Ask each group to read their questions and say the answers to the class.

A monkey climbs quickly

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Blend sounds in CCVC words.

Write sentences about animals.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write the following words on the chalkboard: 'green', 'spoil', 'clown', 'brown', 'bring', 'brush', 'sport' and 'speech'.

Have ready the animal words and ideas from yesterday.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Tell the pupils they are going to learn to read some more CCVC words quickly.

Point to 'green'.

Cover the first letter and read the remaining letters, 'r-ee-n' (3 sounds).

Reveal the whole word, point to the first letter and all say it together, 'ggggg', holding the sound as you point to the next consonant and slide them together.

Continue to sound out the rest of the word.

Move on to the other words, making sure the pupils hold the first sound and slide it together with the next.

10
minutes

Game

25
minutes

Macmillan
Primary English 3

Game

10
minutes

Introduction

Whole class teaching

Play the 'Animals freeze' game.

Ask, 'Can someone say an adverb that describes an animal?' (Eg: a crocodile swims quickly.)

Ask the pupils to share their ideas and write them next to their ideas from yesterday.

Main activity

Whole class teaching

Read Macmillan Primary English 3, pages 158—159 with the pupils.

Ask them to say two things they have learned about each animal and add their ideas to the list on the chalkboard.

Choose some pupils to read the list and make sure all the pupils understand the words.

Tell the pupils they are going to play a guessing game.

Group task

Ask the groups to choose an animal and think of three things to describe it.

Ask each group to describe their animal to the class but tell them not to say its name.

Ask the other groups to try to guess the animal.

Repeat until each group has had a turn.

Ask the pupils to write some sentences in their exercise books about the animal they described.

Tell them to use the words on the chalkboard to help them.

Tell them to draw their animal under the sentences.

Keep the list of ideas for Day 5.

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Ask one pupil to think of an animal, but not tell anyone what it is.

Ask the other pupils to ask questions to help them guess what the animal is, eg: 'Can it swim?'

Animal facts

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Sound out CCVC words to spell them.

Remember and write facts about animals.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write the last eight CCVC words on the chalkboard.

Read the 'Animal facts' in the introduction.

Letters and sounds

Pair task

Tell the pupils they are going to learn to spell some more CCVC words.


Say the word 'green' and ask, 'How many sounds can you hear?'

Choose some pupils to write each sound in the grid, as shown below.

Tell them to draw a grid in their exercise books and write the sounds in their grid.

Say the next seven words slowly.

Ask the pupils to write each word in a sound grid.

Check they are using the correct letters for each sound, eg: 's-p--l'.

g	r	ee	n
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10
minutes

Introduction

Pair task

Ask the pupils to say some of the animals they have been learning about this week.

Read and explain the 'Animal facts' to the class.

Explain any new words and make sure they all understand it.

Read about each animal and ask different pairs, 'What does it look like? What does it eat?'

Read the facts again and ask the pairs to think of one thing to say about each animal.

Choose some pairs to say their facts and ask the others if they are correct.

25
minutes

Main activity

Pair task

Write on the chalkboard:

' ___ use their long trunks to pick up ___.'

' ___ have fat in their humps.

If they get angry they ___.'

' ___ have big jaws and sharp ___.'

' ___ live in trees. They eat ___.'

' ___ have a forked tongue and a ___ body.'

Read the sentences with the pupils and ask them to discuss what the missing words could be.

Ask each pair to read and complete a sentence about one of the animals and ask the other pairs to say if they are correct.

Choose some pupils to write in the missing words. Check their spellings carefully.

Tell the class to read the completed sentences.

10
minutes

Game

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Play the 'Animals freeze' game.

Animal poems

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read and spell CCVC words.

Write a simple poem about an animal.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Have ready all the CCVC words on flash cards.

Have ready the animal words and ideas on the chalkboard.

Letters and sounds

Pair task

Hold up the CCVC words and ask the pupils to sound them out and read them.

Choose five words to read to the pupils so they can spell them.

Sound out each word with the pupils and count the number of sounds.

Tell them to draw five sound grids in their exercise books.

Dictate each word slowly and repeat it several times as they write it in their sound grids.

10
minutes

Introduction

Group task

Ask if anyone can remember what a **poem** is (a collection of words that describe something).

Tell the pupils they are going to write a poem about an animal.

Read the list of animal words and ideas on the chalkboard that they have been working on all week.

25
minutes

Main activity

Pair task

Demonstrate how to write a poem.

Write 'Elephant' on the chalkboard.

Ask, 'What does it look like?', 'What does it eat?', 'How does it move?', 'Where does it live?'

Write their ideas under 'Elephant', eg: 'Tall strong elephant, long grey trunk, gets leaves, grass, fruit'.

Ask them to choose one of the animals and write its name in their exercise books.

Tell them to write all their ideas in a list underneath.


10
minutes

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Choose some pairs to read their poems to the class.

Ask the others to say what they like about the poems and suggest any other ideas.



Week
30
Greedy tortoise
puppet show

Letters/sounds

Sound revision

blue coat
day boy
saw down
out fork
slow dinner
deep rain
join park
cook
hair
girl

Words/phrases

monkeys
snakes
giraffes
lions
elephants
tortoises
tasty
angry
believe
stretched

Assessment

During each lesson, walk around the classroom and ask questions to see if the pupils clearly understand what you have taught them. If not, help them to understand by explaining the idea to them again, or asking other pupils to help them. You may need to use some different examples of the idea.

The animals

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read and identify sounds in words.

Invent speech for animals in a playscript.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write these sounds on flash cards: 'ir', 'ue', 'ay', 'aw', 'ou', 'ow', 'oi', 'ee', 'oo' and 'air'.

Write the revision sounds on the chalkboard.

Copy 'The greedy tortoise' part 1 on to the left-hand side of the chalkboard and leave it there all week.

Write the first six key words on large flash cards.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Hold up the sound flash cards and ask the class to say them with you.

Place them around the classroom where the pupils can see them.

Write 'girl' on the chalkboard, ask the pupils to sound it out and read it and ask someone to circle the sound 'ir'.

Repeat with the words on the chalkboard, asking the pupils to circle each sound.

Say the following words one at a time: 'bird', 'true', 'play', 'paw', 'shout', 'grow', 'boil', 'week', 'look' and 'chair'.

Tell the pupils to stand by the flash card showing the sound in the word and say the sound they are standing by.

Repeat the activity for each word.

10
minutes

Story

25
minutes

10
minutes

Introduction

Whole class teaching

Tell the pupils they are going to help you write a playscript about a story.

Display and read 'The greedy tortoise' part 1 and discuss what happens when there is no rain for a long time, eg: plants die, rivers dry up, it is very hot.

Hold up each key word flash card, read and explain it.

Main activity

Group task

Write the names of the animals from the story on paper and ask each group to pick one.

Ask them to discuss what their animal might say when there is no food.

Ask each group to say their ideas to the class.

Write their speech on the right-hand side of the chalkboard in the form of a playscript, eg:

Elephant: I am so hungry.

Monkey: Where can we get food?

Lion: Giraffe, go and tell all the animals to come to a meeting.

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Ask the pupils to read and role play their parts in the playscript as you point to each group's words.

Keep the playscript for the next day.

Greedy tortoise

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read and identify sounds in words.

Role play animals in a story.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write the following sounds on flash cards: 'au', 'oa', 'oy', 'ow', 'or', 'er', 'ai' and 'ar'.

Write the list of revision sounds on the chalkboard.

Copy part 2 of 'The greedy tortoise' next to part 1 on the chalkboard.

Write all the key words on large flash cards.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Hold up the sound cards and ask the pupils to say them with you.

Place them around the classroom where the pupils can see them.

Write 'August' on the chalkboard and ask the pupils to sound it out and read it.

Ask a pupil to circle 'au'.

Repeat with the words on the chalkboard, asking pupils to circle each sound they can see.

Say the following words one at a time: 'August', 'boat', 'joy', 'town', 'born', 'letter', 'wait', 'market'.

Tell the pupils to go and stand by the card showing the sound in the word.

Ask pupils to say the sound they are standing by.

10
minutes

Story

25
minutes

10
minutes

Introduction

Whole class teaching

Ask the pupils what happened in the story you read yesterday.

Display the playscript from yesterday and ask groups to read and act out their parts.

Hold up, read and explain all the key words.

Read and explain 'The greedy tortoise' part 2.

Ask the pupils to say what they think about Tortoise not sharing his food.

Main activity

Group task

Ask each group to make up speech for their animal when the food is shared.

Continue to write their speech on the right-hand side of the chalkboard as a playscript, eg:

Tortoise: I am very hungry.

Lion: Come and share with us.

Write the song you think the tortoise might have sung when he was full and happy.

Ask each group to say some things the Tortoise and his mother might say.

Choose some of their ideas to continue the playscript.

Plenary

Pair task

Read the whole playscript to the pupils.

Ask them to read and role play their parts as you point to each group's words.

Ask them what they think will happen next.

Keep the playscript for the next day.

Why are you fat?

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Spell important high frequency words.

Invent questions and answers for a playscript.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Make a set of key word flash cards for each group.

Have ready parts 1 and 2 of 'The greedy tortoise' and copy part 3 next to part 2 on the chalkboard.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Remind the pupils that some words are tricky to spell.

Ask them how they can learn to spell these words. Use this method to help them remember how to spell 'because'.

Repeat with: 'house', 'little', 'only', 'saw', 'here', 'people' and 'there'.

Dictate the words slowly and ask the pupils to write them in their exercise books.

10
minutes

Introduction

Whole class teaching

Display the playscript from yesterday and ask the groups to read and act out their parts.

Ask them to say an adjective to describe each animal.

Read the key words with the pupils and make sure they understand them.

Give each group a set of key word cards.

Say each word and ask the groups to find the correct flash card and hold it up.

25
minutes

Story

Main activity

Whole class teaching

Read parts 1, 2 and 3 of 'The greedy tortoise'.

Ask the pupils to discuss why Lion did not believe the animals and say their ideas to the class.

Group task

Read the story again.

Tell each group to think of speech for their part in the story.

Tell them to think of questions their character would ask Tortoise and Lion.

Tell them to think how Tortoise and Lion would answer.

Give the pupils time to practise then ask them to say their ideas.

Continue to write their ideas as a playscript.

10
minutes

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Read the whole playscript to the pupils.

Ask them to read their parts as you point to each group's words.

Encourage them to move like the animals as they read and act out the playscript.

Ask them what they think will happen next.

Keep the playscript for the next day.

At the feast

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read some important high frequency words.

Help to write a playscript.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Make one set of revision word cards for each group.

Copy part 4 of 'The greedy tortoise' next to part 3 on the chalkboard.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Write 'old', 'dark', 'house', and 'because' on the chalkboard.

Ask the pupils to read them.

Ask if anyone can use the words to say a sentence.

Write some of their ideas on the chalkboard.

Remind them that a sentence needs a capital letter and a full stop.

Give each group a set of revision word cards and ask them to say some of the words in sentences.

Tell them to write the sentence in their exercise books.

10
minutes

Story

25
minutes

10
minutes

Introduction

Group task

Display the playscript from yesterday and ask groups to read and act out their parts.

Ask them to discuss what they think will happen at the end of the story.

Read parts 1, 2, 3 and 4 of 'The greedy tortoise'.

Main activity

Whole class teaching

In pairs, ask the pupils to discuss what Lion and Tortoise say to each other.

Tell them to take on the roles of Lion and Tortoise and act out their conversation.

Continue the playscript with some of their ideas.

Ask the Tortoise group to think of speech for the Tortoise and his mother when all the animals come for the feast.

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Read the whole playscript to the pupils again.

Ask them to read their parts as you point to each group's words.

Encourage them to move like the animals as they read and act out the playscript.

Praise them for completing a playscript and keep it for the next day.

Greedy tortoise puppet show

Learning outcomes

By the end of the lesson, most pupils will be able to:

Read and understand some of the
words learned this year.

Perform a puppet show.

Teaching aids

Before the lesson:

Write the 'Revision questions' listed
opposite on the chalkboard.

Have ready the playscript
from yesterday.

Have ready sticks, tape, paper and
colouring pencils and cut out animal
pictures for all the pupils in each
group to make stick puppets.

Letters and sounds

Whole class teaching

Remind the pupils how to read
words by sounding them out.

Tell them they can check if a word is
correct by reading to see if the whole
sentence makes sense.

Give each group a revision question
from the chalkboard.

Tell them to write the sentence in
their exercise book and write 'yes' or
'no' beside it to answer the question.

Swap the questions and repeat
several times.

Choose some pupils to read the
questions and say the answers.

Ask the others if they are correct.

10
minutes

Introduction

Group task

Tell the pupils they are going to act out their playscript using puppets.

Give each group their animal pictures.

Ask them to add details and colour to their puppets.

Give out the sticks and help the pupils make their puppets.

Tell them to hold up their puppets so they face you.

Ask each group to say in turn, 'I need food' in their animal's voice.

25
minutes

Main activity

Whole class teaching

Display the playscript they have written.

You may have to display it a page at a time.

Read it to the pupils.

Take the pupils outside and let them practise reading out their parts while holding up their puppets.

Point to the playscript so each group knows when to speak.

Practise several times so that they know their parts really well.

10
minutes

Plenary

Whole class teaching

Invite other classes to come and watch the performance of the 'Greedy tortoise' puppet show.

Puppet show

Revision questions

Can a clock get cross?

Is the moon green?

Can you bang on a big drum?

Did a sheep ever jump up a tree?

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