

Examination Scope: English

Year: 2

TERM 3 EXAMS

Prepare:

Your child will be given homework in the weeks prior to the Writing exam that relates to the focus of the exam.

Revision:

For the Reading exam, ensure your child is reading their Bug Club books and answering the questions – the skill of reading a text and answering questions related to that text is what will be tested in the Reading exam.

For the Writing exam, we will be focussing on Instructions so please ensure that your child is confident with the layout of instructions, time words, bossy words and the use of past and present tense.

Exam Materials:

Your child will not need to bring anything to school apart from a water bottle. They will need a sharp pencil and ruler and these will be provided by HeadStart.

Topics/Skills to Revise or Practice:

TERM 2 & TERM 3:

Grammar:

- Capital letters and full stops.
- Capital letters for proper nouns.
- Nouns, pronouns, verbs, adverbs and adjectives.
- Past and present tense.
- Connectives – or, but, so, because, while.
- Speech marks.
- Apostrophe to show possession.

Stories:

- Describe character's thoughts and feelings.
- Character description.

- **Setting description.**
- **Traditional Tales.**

Instructions:

- **The difference between commands and instructions.**

Journalistic Writing:

- **Features of a newspaper report.**
- **Quotes using speech marks.**
- **5 W's – what, when, where, who, why**
- **Fact and opinion.**

Persuasive Writing:

- **Features of persuasive writing.**
- **Balanced arguments – for and against.**

Diary Writing:

- **Time connectives.**
- **Writing in the first person.**

Information texts:

- **Features of an information text.**
- **Introduction.**
- **Main body.**
- **Contents.**
- **Glossary.**
- **Index – alphabetical order.**

Play Scripts:

- **Features of a play script.**
- **Stage directions.**

- **Use of colons.**
- **Use of brackets.**

Answers/Responses:

Ensure you read the question carefully (read it again if you need to).

Look for key words – what is the question asking you to do?

Re-read your answers to check they make sense.

If you have any time left at the end of the test – go back and check through your answers.

Try to answer every question.

TERM 1:

Grammar:

- Suffixes – un, ful, ness, ment, er, est
- Connectives
- Tenses – past and present

Instructions:

- Writing and following instructions
- Time words
- Bossy verbs

Stories:

- Writing beginning of a story
- Writing the ending of a story
- Describe setting
- Describe characters
- Speech marks
- Character emotions
- Alternative ending
- Sequence events in a story
- Plan a story
- Identify different parts of a story
- Plan and write a new chapter of a story
- Adjectives
- Similes
- Verbs
- Adjectives

Information texts:

- Features
- Information sentences

Poetry

- Senses – descriptive language
- Rhyming words