

Hybrid Text - Macbeth

Thursday 4th February

Hybrid Key Writing Skills



- Use devices to build cohesion between paragraphs in persuasive texts;
- Manage shifts between formal and informal language;
- Include fact and opinion;
- Use colons, semi-colons and bullet points to list.

Semi-colons

Semi-colons can be used to join clauses in a sentence. Sometimes they take the place of connectives.

John liked jelly and Sam just loved ice cream.

This sentence could be written:

John liked jelly; Sam just loved ice cream.

It was a dark night and the moon hid behind a cloud.

It was a dark night; the moon hid behind a cloud.

Today, we are going to recap on using semi-colons to join clauses of equal weight.

L.O. To use a semi-colon in place of a conjunction.

Semicolons

A semicolon can be used in place of a conjunction to link two main clauses which are of equal importance.

Example: The film was brilliant, therefore we had a great time.

The film was brilliant; we had a great time.

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Read aloud using Kung-Fu punctuation.

Replace the conjunctions with a semi-colon to link the clauses of equal importance.

The shop is open but there are no carrots left.

Pam wants to go to Italy whereas Danielle wants to go to Spain.

The sky is clear this evening however yesterday it was cloudy.

She wore her hat, scarf and gloves as it was freezing outside.

It was a frosty night and the snow shimmered in the moonlight.



Writing Outcome:
To write a hybrid text
Macbeth - the Most Villainous Villain
Presented as a history magazine article
using a variety of non-fiction text types.

Let's find out a bit about Shakespeare first...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wv7-nnUN5QI&safe=true>

Watch the BBC Teach video for an introduction on Shakespeare.

Find out what kind of England he lived in and how this influenced him.

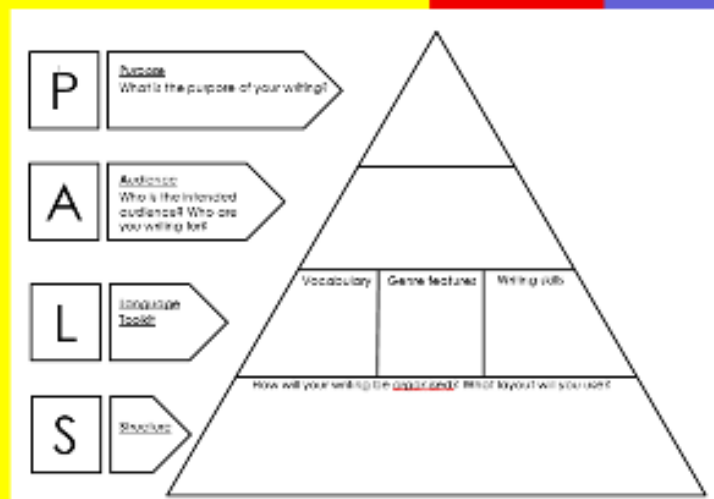


L.O. To identify the purpose, audience and features of non-fiction texts.

Non-fiction Text Types

Read and enjoy and the non-fiction texts.

Write the title of the text in your Writing Books and identify the purpose, audience, language and structure (use sub-headings to organise your work).



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Purpose

What is the purpose of your writing?

A

Audience

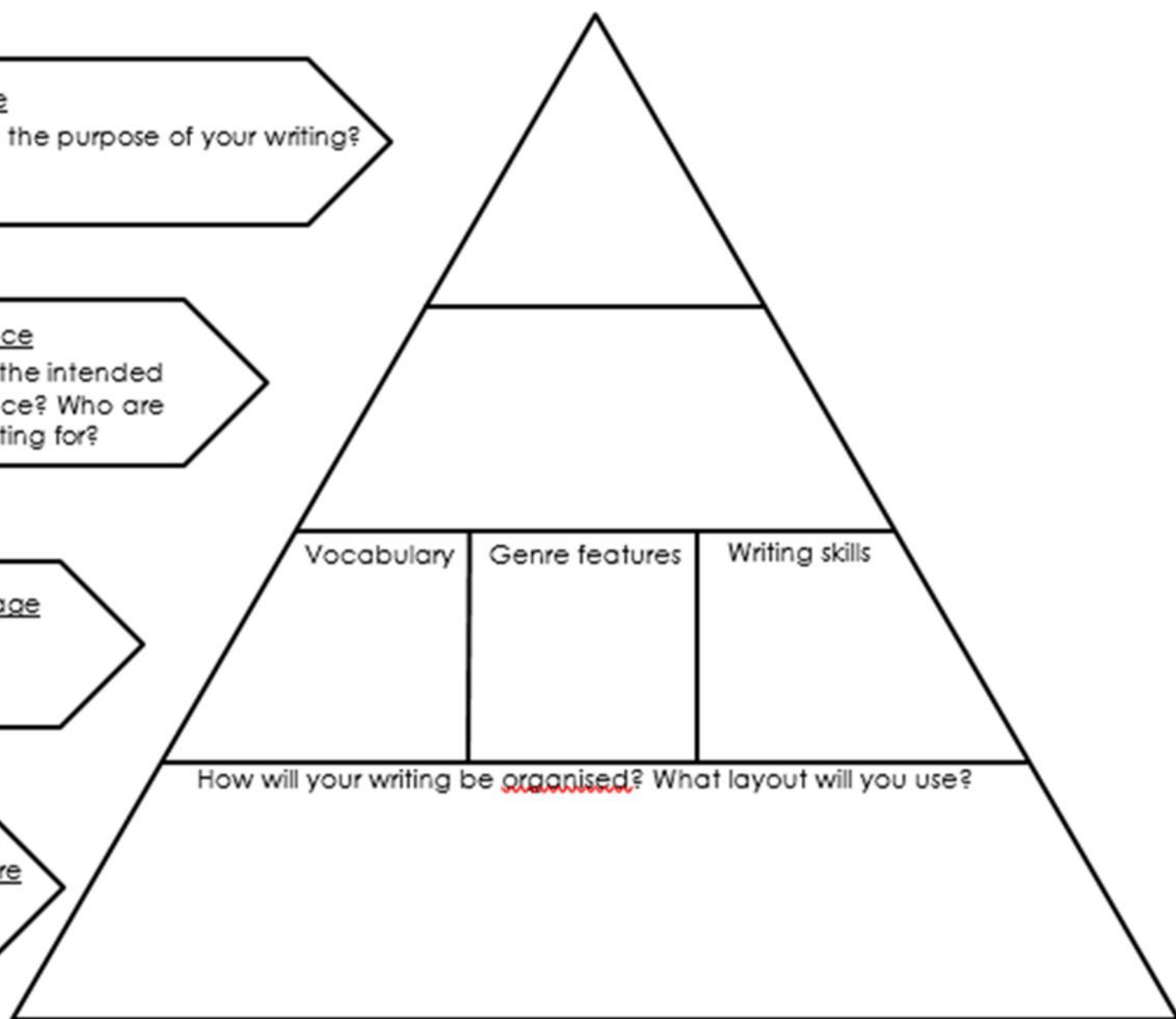
Who is the intended audience? Who are you writing for?

L

Language Toolkit

S

Structure



The Wolf's Autobiographical Account

I was born as one of 14 baby wolves into a large pack. However, I was the weakest of the pack and my parents never had much time for me. I did not do well at school and left as soon as I was able. My first winter I spent in the forest without any proper place to sleep. If I ever went anywhere near a village or farm, I was chased away. I tried selling icicles but there were not many takers! Many nights I spent shivering with the cold. In the end my asthma got so bad that I was huffing and puffing.

When spring came I saw some cottages being built in the area. I thought that I might be able to work for the builders and approached them. However, my cold got the better of me and I let out an almighty sneeze. Unfortunately, the house was very flimsy and only made of straw. Before I knew it, the straw house had been blown down and the owner was running away. I suppose he thought that I had done it on purpose. Immediately, I ran after the owner to reassure him that I would help him to rebuild his property but he only ran the faster.

When I saw that he had joined another builder who was putting up a house made of sticks, I approached with caution in case there were further misunderstandings. At that moment, I noticed a young girl dressed in red passing by. Her basket looked very heavy so I thought that I had better see if she wanted me to help. It was at that moment that I saw a woodcutter rushing after the girl. In fear for her life, I ran on and decided to lie in waiting in case the villain attacked her. Just after that, I was arrested.

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Let's do this one together – watch Miss Terrell's tutorial video.

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Amazing Animals

Animals are amazing but most people only know about common pets such as cats and dogs. However, out in the wild some of the most extraordinary creatures live. Many have fascinating lives.

Vampire bats do exist and are not just found in films and the books of Darren Shan. However, the real creature is far removed from Dracula! They do not bite but scratch with their teeth until they draw blood. In fact, they are so gentle that you might not even wake up!

Goldfish have a memory that only lasts about seven seconds so that once it has been round the bowl, it may well have forgotten where it started! Rats have a memory that may only last about half a minute – maybe that's why they always look inquisitive because every half a minute everything is new all over again!

The black rhinoceros may well look like a fierce creature but it is the most gentle of souls really. Though it weighs in at over a ton, this gentle beast can be tamed. In fact, it will even eat from your hand!

Other odd facts:

- The Egyptians trained baboons to serve food;
- A hibernating woodchuck only breathes ten times an hour;
- Hippos give birth under water;

- Grizzly bears run as fast as a horse;
- In the fifteenth century packs of wolves roamed the streets of Paris.

If an alligator ever attacks you, this piece of information may come in handy. Though they have very powerful jaws that can break your bones with one mighty crunch, they have very weak muscles that open the jaws. This means that if an alligator attacks you, remember to hold its mouth shut. You should be able to accomplish this quite easily!

So, there you are – the amazing world of animals. Keep your eyes and ears open for other amazing facts about the extraordinary creatures that share this planet with us. Make sure that we preserve these creatures by not spoiling their habitats.

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Yes – UFOs Do Exist

Many people do not believe that UFOs exist. However, there are many reasons why this viewpoint can no longer be sustained.

Most people believe that the universe is endless. If this is the case, then this means that inevitably there must be life on other planets. It is obvious that other beings would be curious and attempt to make contact.

For years we have been sending radio signals deep into space and on several occasions an answering code has been returned. Although the significance or meaning of the return signal has not yet been deciphered, it is clear that something has been attempting to make contact with earth.

There have been so many recorded sightings by reliable witnesses, including the army and air force pilots, that the possibility of aliens can no longer be ignored. Many sightings are by ordinary people and not by 'cranks'. For instance, in 1961 Barney and Betty Hill reported being taken into a spaceship and tested by aliens to see how humans differed from their own species. Barney and Betty were put under hypnosis and had lie detector tests to try to ascertain the truth. Their story could not be disproved.

So, the arguments for UFOs are building up into an irrefutable picture. Indeed, those who do not believe are now considered to be a strange minority!

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Was Jack Wrong?

By now everyone locally has heard the news that Jack has become wealthy beyond his wildest possible dreams. What many do not know is that this was brought about by stealing a golden goose from a giant. Should this sort of behaviour pass without comment? Here the *Daily Trumpet* sets out the arguments for and against the case. Once you have read the different viewpoints expressed below, use the phone line to vote for or against Jack. Next week we will publish the results.

Many people believe that Jack was in his rights to break into the giant's castle. They point out that the giant's wife hid him and therefore had taken his side. It should also be noted that Mrs Giant has recently filed a petition against her husband for cruel treatment. Some have stated in this paper that the giant had stolen the golden goose originally whilst he was pillaging the local area. Though it may be argued that Jack has therefore come in receipt of stolen goods, it could be said that the wealth the goose will bring to the area will be welcome.

Finally, it has to be remembered that Jack's new wealth will bring opportunities for work as he establishes his new business in the trade of magic beans, flying cows, walking-talking dishes and spoons plus a range of musical instruments that play by themselves while singing.

Taking the other side are all those who believe that although the giant is a disreputable character this does not make stealing a correct thing to have done. They believe that Jack has broken into the giant's house and stolen his golden goose as well as his talking harp. They claim that the harp called out to the giant during the robbery, thus demonstrating that it was reluctant to be taken. They argue that this is a clear case of harp abduction and against the laws of the land.

What do you think? We are withholding our views until you have cast your vote for or against the issue. If you think that Jack should keep his wealth because this will benefit the local area, phone 00998877. On the other hand if you believe that the goose and harp should be returned and Jack punished because he has committed a crime then phone 11223344. Results will be published in next week's Saturday edition.

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How to Catch a House Goblin

House goblins are a pest. They can become quarrelsome and noisy. Have you been suffering from sleepless nights? Do you wake to find that the fridge has been raided again? Do you put something down in one place only to find that seconds later it has moved rooms? Do you hear strange chuckling and gurgling in the early morning? Well, it sounds as if you might have a house goblin of the invisible variety living with you.

Read these step-by-step instructions for a goblin-free existence. Do not tolerate a lower standard of living. Why have your house mucked about by a greedy goblin? Get rid of it in eight easy moves. These instructions come to you courtesy of 'Remove It - the company that gets rid of goblins, ogres and all forms of unwanted ghouls'.

Preparation time: ten minutes.

What you need: plenty of courage, one bucket of superglue, shiny foil or object, a bag of flour, and a reinforced sack for transporting goblins.

Suitable for: dealing with one house goblin of moderate brain.

What to do:

- Begin by pretending not to notice the goblin. This will make it angry and less likely to spot any trap that you might set.
- First, spread a large quantity of superglue onto something glittery that the goblin might like to touch. A stone covered in shiny foil is a good idea, as the goblin will mistake this for a large diamond.
- Next, leave the object in an obvious place and pretend to be doing something else in an absent-minded manner.
- After that, turn your back, as this will tempt the goblin into mischief-making.
- The goblin will be unable to resist the temptation.
- Soon, the goblin will discover that it is stuck and make a terrible brouhaha.
- Once you have tracked down the noise, throw a bag of flour over it.
- Now you will be able to see the outline of the goblin. Place it swiftly into the sack and remove to another location at least ten miles away.

- Reminder: Wash hands thoroughly after touching goblins.
- Visit www.removeit/goblintraps.com
- 'Don't be a fool - get rid of that Ghoul!'
- Call REMOVE IT for help with the more stubborn ghost on 012345 6789.

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How to Care for Your Teeth

Teeth are essential for eating. Human beings eat both plants and animals and their teeth are especially suited to cutting, tearing and chewing their food.

The teeth at the back of your mouth are called molars and these are used for grinding food. They tend to be fairly large and flattish so that they can crush and chew food. Believe it or not, you have fangs called canine teeth that are used for biting into food and holding on! The flatter, sharp front teeth are incisors and are used to cut up food.

If we were herbivores like sheep and cows, we would have more molars for grinding food. If we were carnivores, we would have more canines for gripping and tearing meat.

As our teeth are important in helping us eat, we have to take care of them or eating might become difficult. Bacteria cause teeth to decay. If you eat sugary foods then this will be eaten away by bacteria, which forms a covering of plaque on the teeth. Plaque contains acid, which eats away the enamel that keeps teeth hard.

You can help prevent tooth decay. First you must brush twice a day to remove any plaque. If you drink water that contains fluoride, this also is believed to keep teeth strong. Do not eat too many sugary foods, as this is likely to cause decay. Finally, make sure that you visit a dentist regularly so that any signs of decay can be spotted and treated. So, stay healthy and look after those gnashers!

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How did you do?