Workshops: The heart of the MagiKats Programme

Every student is assigned to a Stage, based on their academic year and assessed study level.

Stage Foundation and 1 students range from 5 to 7 years old.

The sheets in this pack are a small sample of what is available! These are only samples of the student's worksheets - our teaching methods include discussion and hands-on activities.

Core skills sheets are also provided for independent completion by each student (usually at home).

Topics offered at this level include: rhythm; phonics and spelling; high frequency word recognition and vocabulary development; constructing sentences; synonyms and antonyms; consequences; reading and writing comprehension of both fiction and non-fiction texts.



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Choosing Interesting Words









Look at the pictures below and write down **two** different words that you could use to describe it.

| | Word 1 | |
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| | Word 2 | Best word |
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| | Word 2 | Best word |
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| | Word 2 | Best word |
| | Word 1 | |
| | Word 2 | Best word |











The word 'and' is used by lots of people in their writing. It is used so often that it gets boring. Look at this sentence:

The rain stopped and the sun came out and we went out to play.

Write down as many linking words as you can think of that could have been used instead of 'and' in this (or another) sentence.









Rewrite the sentence using two different words in place of and – remember – best writing!

English Stage 1: Developing Vocabulary











Complete this story by writing interesting words in the gaps.

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It was a _____ winter night and

Freddy the fox was _____ hungry.



There were ______ stars in the sky

and it was _____ to see across the _____

If he was _____ then somebody would put their rubbish bin out

he could _____ tonight.



sure enough the man at number 12 ______ .





Oh, no! There was another fox _____.

Freddy might be too late. He ran like _____

but the other fox beat him there.

He slid to a stop by ______ .

He had been taught not to fight so he turned to ______ back home,

sad and still hungry. A ______ voice behind him said,

"There's plenty for ______ ." That was the start of the very long

and happy friendship between Freddy and ______.







Writing Sentences

Write out these sentences on each line (use your best writing) with correct capital letters and full stops.

Remember that names need capital letters!

- 1) the puppy, called kylo, ran through the garden
- 2) he ran past the gate and jumped over the stream
- 3) after a while, kylo found himself in the woods
- 4) there was a huge butterfly he just had to chase
- 5) up and down and round and round he ran and leapt
- 6) by the end of the day kylo was very tired
- 7) he wandered home and slept tight all night











Use a coloured pencil to add in capital letters and full stops into this story.

All other punctuation is shown.

Hint read the story in your head (or out loud) slowly and carefully to see where you need to take breaks and add in full stops.

Remember proper nouns (proper names) need capital letters too!



the last time claire was at school she had been shy and quiet this september,

however, was going to be very different over the summer claire had been

climbing trees, learning new things and making new friends claire had

found her confidence and her voice oh yes, this september was going

to be very different













There are three ways to end a sentence. One is:

full stop



Write the other two ways below:



Add in the correct punctuation to the end of these sentences.

- 1) I can't stand this cheese
- 2) Why are you shouting
- 3) Can George have a go
- 4) The tree was creaking quietly
- 5) Now we are lost
- 6) How can you see in the dark
- 7) The bus drove down the road
- 8) Let me out
- 9) My dog eats at dinner time
- 10) What is that thing over there















Use a coloured pencil to add in capital letters, full stops, exclamation marks and question marks into this story. All other punctuation is shown.

Hint read the story in your head (or out loud) slowly and carefully to see where you need to take breaks and add in full stops.



Remember proper nouns (proper names) need capital letters too!

Once finished, read your story aloud, being careful to read the names carefully.



a long time ago, in a far away galaxy, a small alien named quort was crying



he had lost his best friend, mokey they had been playing in the woods when

mokey had disappeared quort searched and searched and had just about

given up when mokey jumped out behind him "boo i'm here, you silly alien"

laughed mokey "do you think you're funny never do that again "squealed

quort as he jumped up they laughed together and went home for tea



The 'e' and 'ee' sounds



Sort these words into the right list for the sound they contain.

| | tea | bee | leg | web | bed | step | beach |
|---|------|-------|-------|------|--------|-------|-------|
| I | lean | week | check | fell | west | egg | dream |
| | weed | clean | bead | best | fleece | chest | steam |
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Short 'e' sound

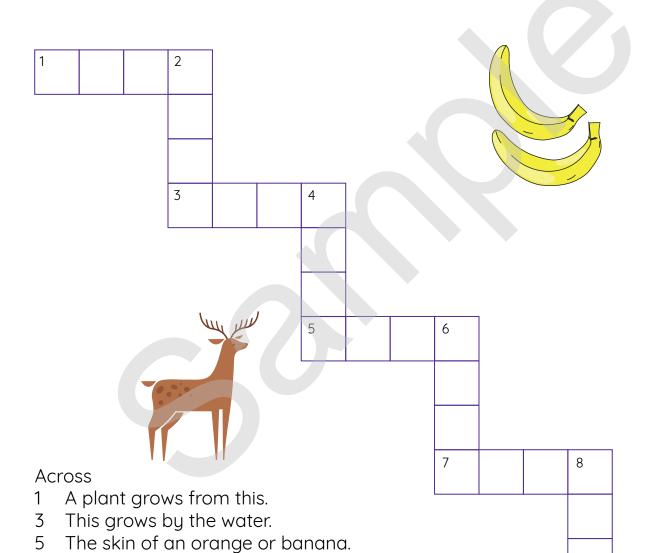
Long 'ee' sound

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Complete the crossword.

peel reed keep deer leek seed peep deep



Down

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2 An animal with antlers.

Opposite of to give away.

- 4 Opposite of shallow.
- 6 A type of vegetable.
- 8 Spy on something, or look at very quickly.





Put the right sounds into these words – either ee or ea.

Near the sea

b ____ ch

The colour of grass



gr____n

You use this on a bed

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Opposite of dirty

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Another word for cry

w ____ p

The skin of an orange

p ____

You do this at night...

sl ____ p



dr____ m

On the end of your legs

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The green part of a tree

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Somewhere to sit

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A very big dinner

f ____ st

Brush these every day

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Choose the correct word for each sentence and write it in the gap.

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| | | it was | colo | |
| M | y Dad helped We played | | e a big sandc _ by the rocks | |
| | | | bg the rock. | |
| Mum got | t us an ice | from the sh | | |
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Choose the right word in these sentences.

- You need to (heat/heet) the soup before you (eat/eet) it.
- 2) I cut my finger on a (sheat/sheet) of paper and it is taking a long time to (heal/heel).
- 3) My (feat/feet) are wet because my boots (leak/leek)
- 4) Last (weak/week) I went to the (beach/beech).
- 5) It (seams/seems) a long time until my birthday next (weak/week).
- 6) The (stream/streem) is very (deap/deep) and the water is quite (clear/cleer).
- The mountain gets very (steap/steep) near the (peak/peek)
- 8) The (sheap's/sheep's) wool is not very (clean/cleen).
- 9) I will (meat/meet) my friend at the corner of the (streat/street).
- 10) Huge (beach/beech) (treas/trees) grow from (really/reelly) little (seads/seeds).
- 11) (Please/pleese) pass me the (chease/cheese).

Ask your mentor to mark these, and write out the whole sentence for any you got wrong!



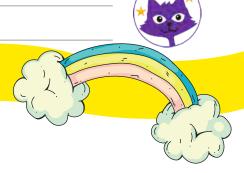


Match these words to their meaning. If you are not sure, use a dictionary to check.

beach beech read reed week weak seems seams peek peak heal heel cheep cheap meat meet leek leak deer dear

| Beef, lamb or chicken. | |
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| A type of tree. | |
| The land next to the sea. | |
| A type of vegetable. | |
| The back part of your foot. | |
| Get together with someone. | |
| Seven days. | |
| When something does not cost much. | |
| Not very strong. | |
| Get better – like a cut. | |
| This strange. | |
| An animal with antlers. | |
| Grows in the water, a bit like rushes. | |
| The noise a bird makes. | |
| A hole that lets water out. | |
| Joins between two bits of fabric. | |
| Spy or look secretly at. | |
| The top of a hill or mountain. | |
| What you do with a book or newspaper. | |
| Use this word to start a letter. | |

Writing comprehension: invitation writing

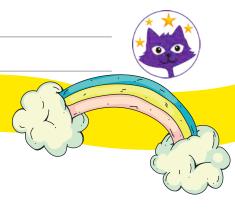




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| Plan your invitation: | |
| Who is it to? | |
| What kind of party will it be? | |
| Why is the invitation being sent? _ | |
| What time is the party? | |
| What date is the party? | |
| Where will it be held? | |
| Who is the invitation from? | |
| Think of a sentence to make the inv | itation more interesting. |
| Use the frame on the next page to p | oresent your invitation |

Make it look really good with your best writing, pictures and coloured pencils.







Task 2

Now imagine you are the character who received this invitation.

| Will you go to the party? | |
|---|---------|
| Why, or why not? | |
| | |
| You are going to write a reply to the invitation. | |
| What will you write at the top of the page? | |
| What word will you use to start the reply? | - C. 3. |
| What do you need to tell the character who sent the invitation? | |
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| How will you finish your reply? | |
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| English Stage 1: Writing Comprehension | |
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| Jack and Jill | |
| Write down each pair of rhyming words Use your best writing and copy the word | |
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| The story in pictures: | |
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Answer these questions with full sentences:-

1) What were Jack and Jill going to fetch?

Jack and Jill were going to



2) Who fell down first and what did he break?

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3) What did Jack put on his head?

Jack put _____

on his