



Reading Tasks & Activities

1. If a character in the story could make three wishes, what do you think they would be?
2. Write an acrostic poem about a character.
3. Describe where the story took place. Explain why you would / would not like to holiday there.
4. Re-write a simple sentence. Improve it by adding in clauses, openers, adjectives etc.
5. Choose a paragraph to re-write and alter the adjectives to change the mood / feelings.
6. Choose a word and look it up in the thesaurus and write down 5 synonyms.
7. Write some quiz questions based on the book for future readers.
8. Think of 5 questions you'd like to ask the author of your favourite book.
9. Create a timeline of events in the story.
10. Write an alternative ending for the story.

Writing Tasks & Activities (including project work & research)

1. Research a leadership hero. Create a fact file for him or her.
2. Write a leadership hero acrostic poem.
3. Write a text message conversation between Greta Thunberg and Malala Yousafzai
4. Create a poster saving the environment to support Greta's cause.
5. Who was Winston Churchill and what did he do for Great Britain?
6. Research Malala Yousafzai. Is it easy for ALL children around the world to get an education? – Debate.
7. Write a dairy entry as Rosa Parkes.
8. Lent is a time of sacrifice. Just like great leadership heroes what would you sacrifice and why?
9. Create a crossword using the names of great leadership heroes.
10. Create a quiz on great leadership heroes.

Number Tasks & Activities (number bonds and timetables)

1. Find all number bonds to 20.
2. Find number bonds to 100.
3. Write all multiplication facts and related division facts.
4. Have a go on Hit the Button - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>.
5. Use the four operations to make 32.
6. Have a go on TT Rockstars - <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/8349>.
7. Investigate – two odd numbers added together always give an odd number answer?
8. What is a factor? Find all the factors of 12, 24, 32, 60 and 21?
9. What is a prime number? List all the prime numbers to 100.
10. Which capital letters of the alphabet are symmetrical?

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Spellings

accident(ally)	early	knowledge	purpose
actual(ly)	earth	learn	quarter
address	eight/eighth	length	question
answer	enough	library	recent
appear	exercise	material	regular
arrive	experience	medicine	reign
believe	experiment	mention	remember
bicycle	extreme	minute	sentence
breath	famous	natural	separate
breathe	favourite	naughty	special
build	February	notice	straight
busy/business	forward(s)	occasion(ally)	strange
calendar	fruit	often	strength

One Tiny Mistake

10 When I received my first magic wand for my twelfth
20 birthday, I could not have been more excited. I imagined
30 pointing it towards a pile of dirty clothes and having
39 them magically cleaned and folded before my eyes. I'd
47 dreamed about turning my vegetables invisible so I
58 didn't have to eat them for dinner. I never imagined that
69 I would spend the next year of my life trapped inside
71 a bottle.

83 One tiny, little spell gone wrong was all it took to shrink
95 me. My family think that I ran away to a school for
105 witches. They knew it had always been my dream. What
117 they don't know is that I've been here all along; sat on
128 the dusty shelf in my old bedroom, tapping on the glass
137 and praying that one day they will hear me.



Quick Questions



1. Where is the narrator of this story?



2. Did the narrator mean for this to happen? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.



3. What story do you know that has a similar theme?

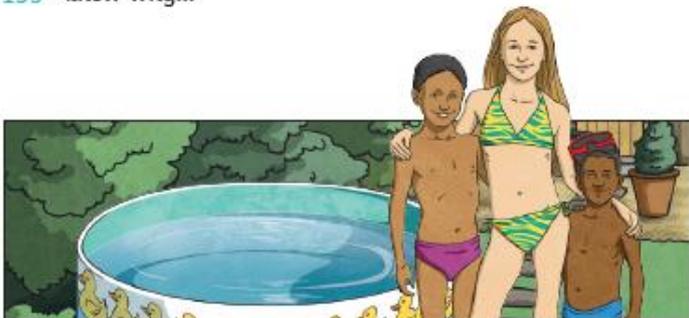


4. Sum up the story in 20 words or less.

A Very Unusual Winter

9 Children across the country splashed and frolicked in the
16 paddling pool, wearing their swimming costumes and
25 thick streaks of sun cream. Windows were wide open,
37 fans were out of stock in most high street shops and the
48 ice cream van hadn't made so much money in ages. It
59 was the hottest day the United Kingdom had seen in over
67 thirty years... yet it was the 21st December.

77 For as long as anyone could remember, the 21st of
86 December had been an icy, cold day. Commuters walked
96 to work, wrapped up tightly in thick coats and scarves,
105 past chimneys that plumed with thick, white smoke as
113 families gathered around the fireplace to keep warm...
123 but not this year. Something very unusual seemed to be
131 happening and one man - Simon Thomas - thought he
133 knew why...



Quick Questions



1. '*...chimneys that plumed with thick, white smoke*' In this sentence, what does 'plumed' imply about the amount of smoke?



2. What date was the hottest day the UK had seen in over thirty years?



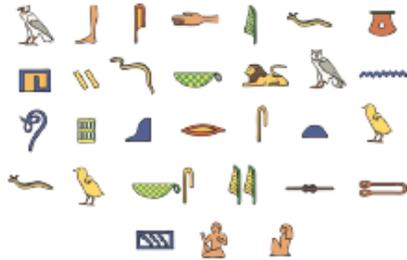
3. Why were people shocked about the weather?



4. What do you think that Simon Thomas may do next?

The Rosetta Stone

11 Whilst digging to expand their fort in 1799, a group of
20 French soldiers made one of the most important historical
30 discoveries of all time – the Rosetta Stone. Named after the
40 town it was discovered in, the Rosetta Stone was created
52 over two thousand years ago and on it was the clue to
57 finally decoding ancient Egyptian hieroglyphics.
66 Hieroglyphics was a complicated way of writing in ancient
74 Egyptian times which used thousands of symbols. Some
83 of the symbols represented sounds, like our letters, whilst
92 others stood for whole words. Written on the Rosetta
104 Stone was one passage of text but it was in three different
111 languages: hieroglyphics, demotic (old Egyptian) and Greek.
121 It finally unlocked the secret of how to read hieroglyphics
131 because scholars knew what was being said in a language
135 we still speak today.



Quick Questions



1. Which word from the text means to 'make bigger'?



2. Why is it called the Rosetta Stone?



3. How do you think scholars felt when the Rosetta Stone was discovered? Give a reason for your answer.



4. How do hieroglyphics compare to the alphabet we use today?

Breaking News: Unbelievable Usain Retires

11 At just 31 years of age, Usain Bolt has retired today
22 from his career as a professional athlete, with the title of
31 'Fastest Man in the World' securely under his belt.
41 Born in Jamaica in 1986, Usain has loved sport from
52 an early age and spent most of his childhood running in
59 school competitions across the country, winning many
70 medals and titles. By the age of fifteen, Bolt had grown
81 to almost two metres tall, which helped him to stand out
87 amongst competitors of the same age.
94 In 2002, at the World Junior Championships,
100 Bolt became the youngest gold medal
107 winner ever for the 200 metre race.
114 His career began there and he has
119 since earned an astonishing and
123 impressive eight Olympic gold
129 medals. Usain Bolt will forever be
136 known as one of the greatest sprinters
139 of all time.



Quick Questions



1. Find and copy two adjectives which the author uses to describe the Olympic gold medals Usain has earned.



2. In which country was Usain Bolt born?



3. How did Usain's height compare to other children of the same age?



4. Sum up what you have read about Usain Bolt in 20 words or less.
