


## Year 7 – Home Learning 1

### Spoken Language – Task One

Complete the role-play activities below. Here are some ideas to get you started for Challenge 1:

**Challenge 1**

**1** Imagine you are a zookeeper taking children around the zoo on a tour. Tell them all about the different opinions on zoos – 'pros' (the good things) and 'cons' (the bad things). Do zoos help with the conservation of animals (keep them safe and breed more)? Is it cruel to keep animals in captivity instead of out in the wild?



**2** Today, you are interviewing a sports star. Ask a friend to role play as the star. Think of five questions you would like to ask.

**PROS:** protection, poachers, breeding, education, entertainment.

**CONS:** habitat, cruelty, trapped, medical testing, entertainment.

### Reading – Task Two

**G** Grammar **P** Punctuation **S** Spelling

**G** 1 Read the sentence. Draw lines to match each word with its word type.  
**The clever cat quickly catches the mouse.**

cat      clever      quickly      catches

adverb      adjective      verb      noun

**SP** 2 Copy the sentences, adding punctuation marks.

a) the smallest snake is the size of a toothpick

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\_\_\_\_\_

b) do you know snakes live in rivers lakes and swamps

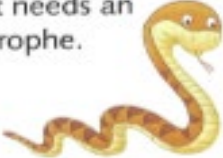
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**P** 3 Read the sentences. Tick (✓) the sentence that needs an apostrophe to show belonging. Add the apostrophe.

A snakes fangs are poisonous.

Fangs are sharp and hollow.



**S** 4 Read the sentences. Correct the underlined adjective that is wrong.

a) Some snakes are deadly than others. \_\_\_\_\_

b) Sea snakes are the deadly of all snakes. \_\_\_\_\_

**S** 5 Read the sentences. Add the correct suffix to complete the words.

**-ful**      **-ness**      **-ment**

a) A state \_\_\_\_\_ is a sentence that states a fact.

b) A snake bite must be very pain \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Read the words. They all end in the suffix *-ed*, but have a different sound. Draw lines to match the words to the sounds they make at the end.

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| a) walked   | i) 'id'  |
| b) listened | ii) 't'  |
| c) spotted  | iii) 'd' |

2 Write the sound that these exception words make at the end.

was
is
his
has
\_\_\_\_\_

3 How many syllables do these words have?

- a) pocket \_\_\_\_\_
- b) happily \_\_\_\_\_

4 Read the poem. Underline the rhyming words.

One, two,  
Buckle my shoe  
Three, four,  
Knock on the door

5 Read the sentence. Tick (✓) the word that completes the sentence. The sentence, 'Rain pattered softly on my umbrella.' is an example of \_\_\_\_\_ imagery.

- touch
- taste
- sound

i The same two vowels are missing from these three words. Write in the missing letters.

- a) c \_ \_ l d      b) w \_ \_ l d      c) s h \_ \_ l d

## Writing – Task Three

Use the ideas below to write a superhero story.

**Superpowers**

Write a story about a character who has an amazing power. But make sure your character has a weakness or two and a powerful enemy to defeat. If everything's too easy, the story could get boring.

**Possible powers**

- the ability to fly
- invisibility
- the ability to control the weather
- invulnerability (can't be hurt)
- telepathy (can read minds)
- telekinesis (can move objects without touching them)


**Questions**

- Where is the story set?
- How does your character get her or his powers?
- Are there any drawbacks to having them?
- What does she or he use them for? Fighting crime? Getting rich? Or something else?
- Does your character's enemy have powers too?
- What is your character's main goal? Does he or she achieve it?

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**Super verbs**

When you're describing the action, think of strong, exciting verbs (doing words) to make it more dramatic. For example, instead of writing "she leaped," you could say, "she leaped" and instead of "he ran fast," "he sprinted" might sound more dynamic.



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**The final showdown**  
When you're bringing your story to a close, try to include a final confrontation between your character and his or her main enemy. You could set this somewhere dramatic, such as the villain's lair.