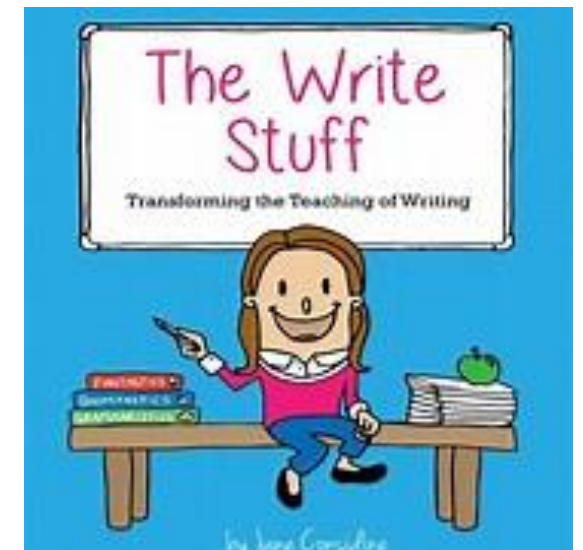




# BEACON PRIMARY ACADEMY

'The Write Stuff' by Considine

## Writing at Beacon Academy



Writing at Beacon Academy is taught through The Write Stuff approach by Jane Considine. This method allows pupils to improve their oracy and widen their vocabulary in every lesson, whilst deepening their understanding of writerly choices through the use of the shade'o'meter. Pupils love their writing lessons and can't wait to show what they've learnt in their independent extended pieces at the end of each unit.

All our writing is taught through the 'writing rainbow' which provides a lens for the writer to focus through in order to ensure all writing is effective and engaging for the reader, whilst meeting the intended purpose.

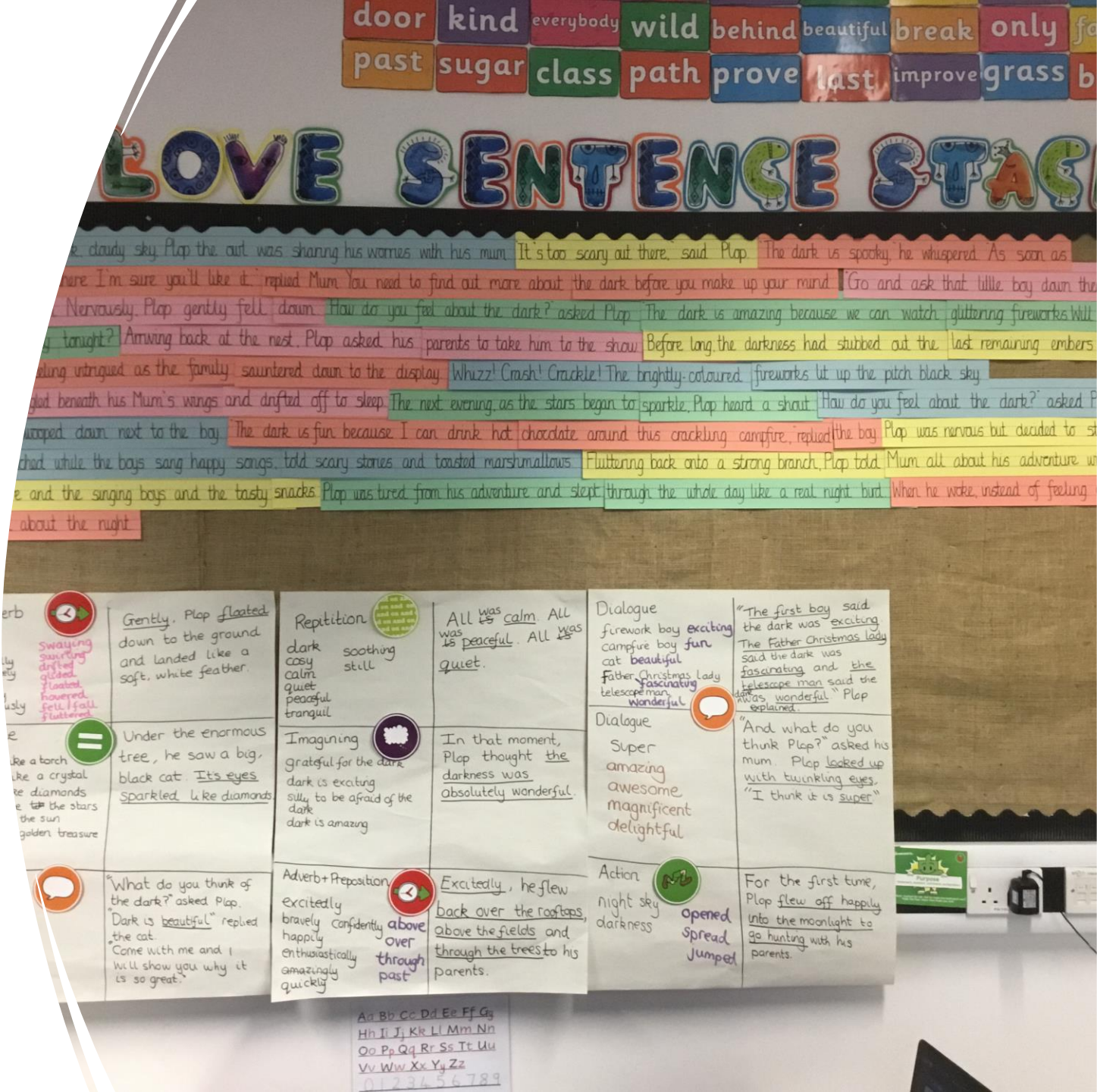




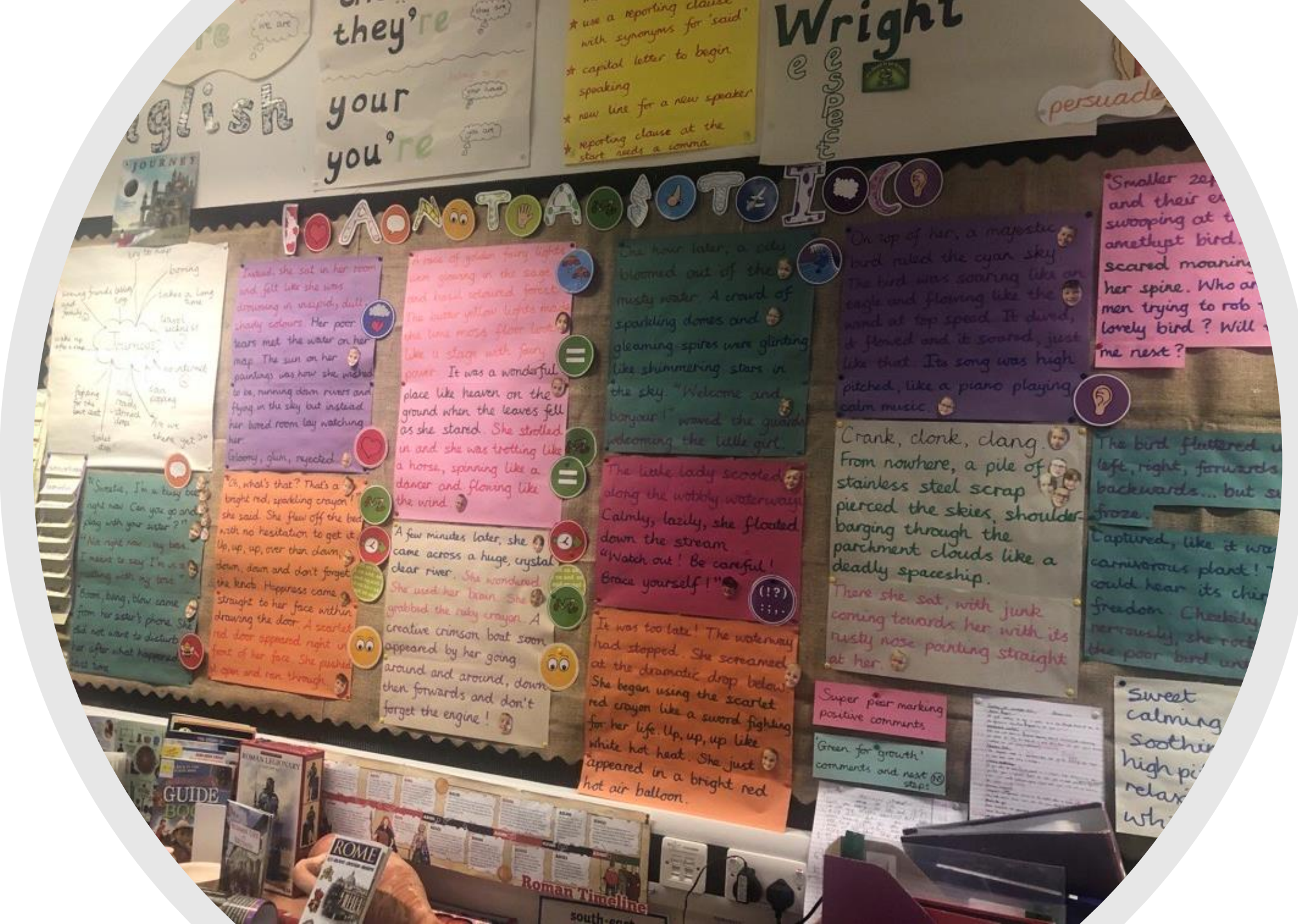
# Sentence Stacking

“The Write Stuff” follows a method called “Sentence Stacking” which refers to the fact that sentences are stacked together and organised to engage children with short, intensive moments of learning that they can then immediately apply to their own writing. An individual lesson is based on a sentence model, broken in to three chunks:

- 1. Initiate section – a stimulus to capture the children’s imagination and set up a sentence.
- 2. Model section – the teacher close models a sentence that outlines clear writing features and techniques.
- 3. Enable section – the children write their sentence, following the model.







‘My sentence got stacked. I can still remember it – *She strolled in, trotting like a horse, spinning like a dancer and flowing like the wind*’ – Rowan Y4

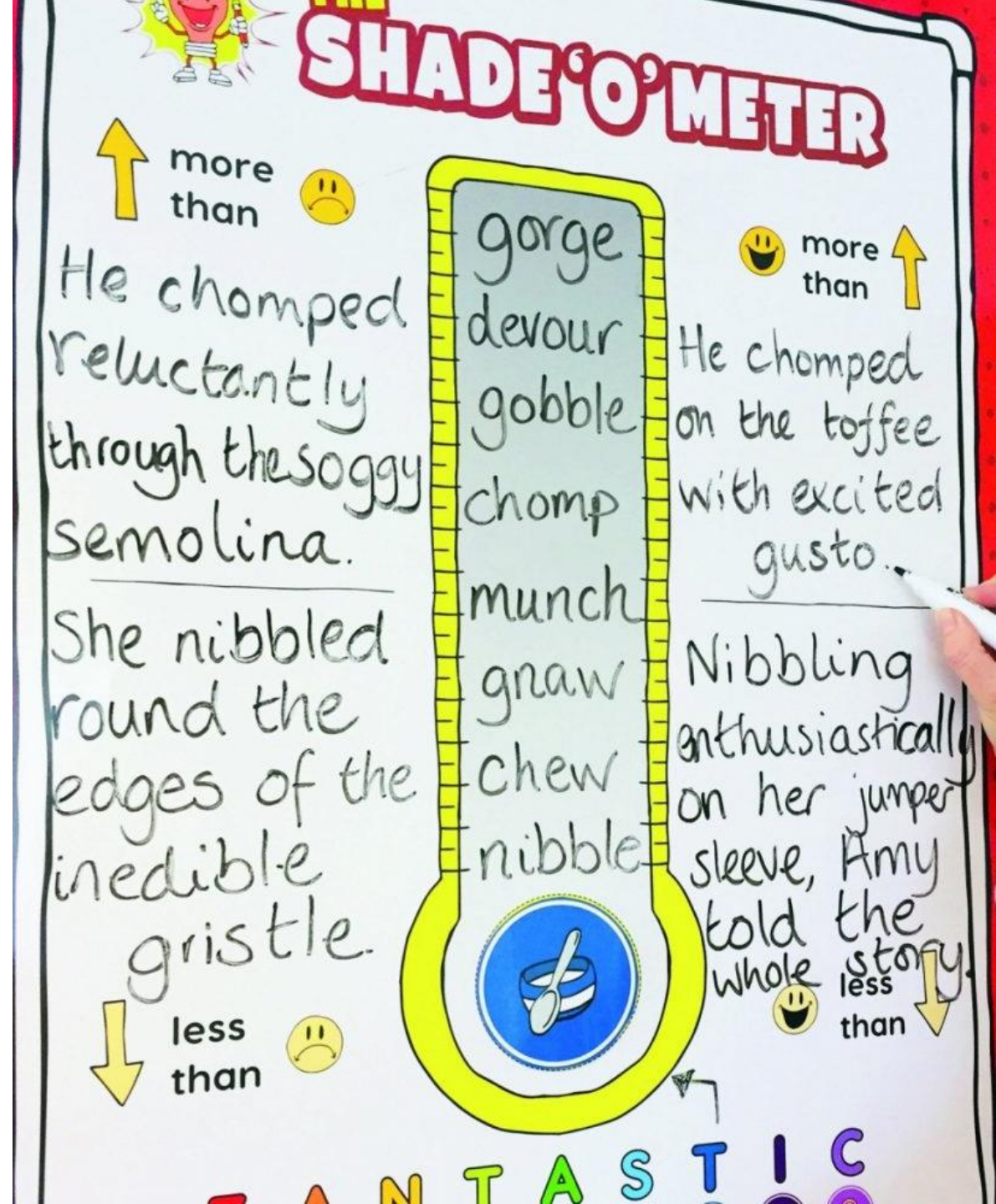
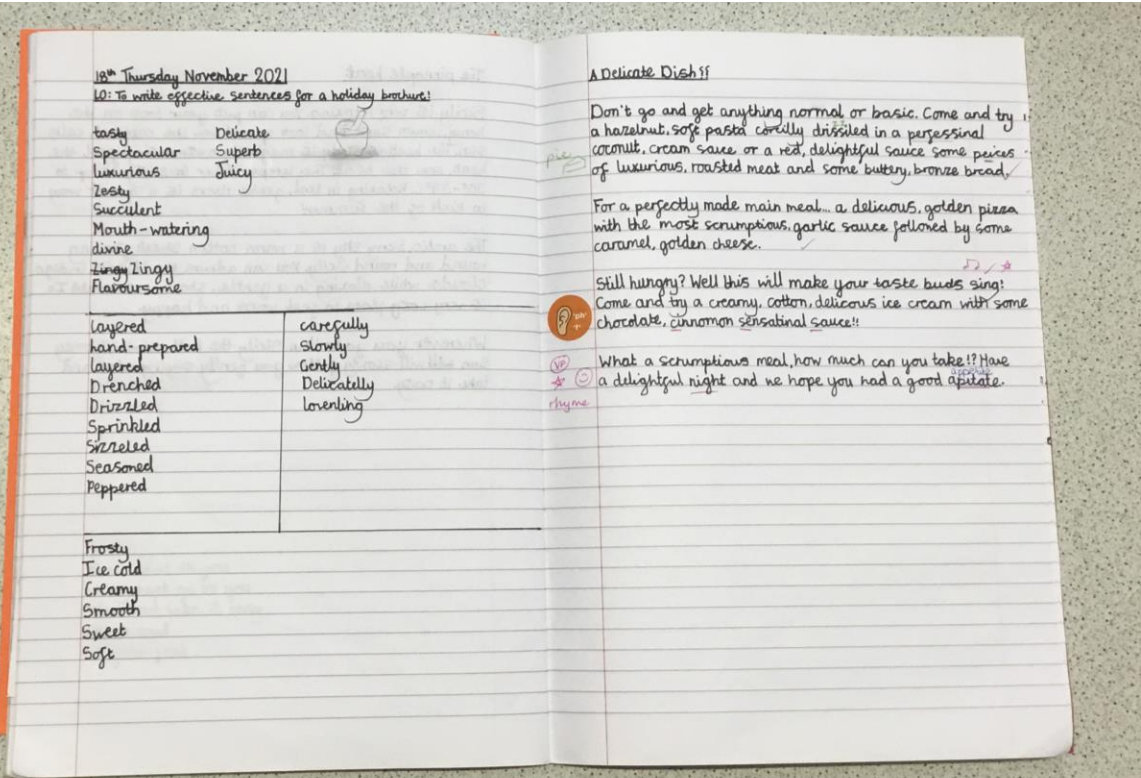
‘I like it when we sentence stack. It’s a nice surprise to find out which sentence the teacher picks from the class. I feel over the moon when she picks mine!’

‘I got sentence stacked! My work got put on the working wall’ – Riley Y4



# The Shade 'O' Meter

- The Shade 'O' Meter is a fantastic resource to expand our vocabulary.





of silhouettes beneath: a shiver of sharks, a school of fish and a colony of seagulls waiting gratefully.

Thank you Ryan.  
Lost in thought, Michael stared into the jet-black galaxy as the stars alighted back into his eyes. He felt as if the sea was up to him. There was just them and the sea. There was just them and the tempestuous sea and stars. There was just them and the tempestuous sea and shimmering stars.

Thank you Shay!  
Thank you Martha.  
Michael, who was fascinated with thought about the obstacles he might face. Seconds collided into minutes. Minutes fused into hours. Hours grouped into days.

Thank you Lyle!  
Thank you Jack.  
Will he survive here much longer? Michael began to think, could they be home for Christmas? Would he think of me?

Thank you Ellie!  
Tucked up in his bunk he calmly listened to the sweet harmony of the night time orchestra: the crashing; the soft sound of the sails flapping in the midnight breeze. Thud! Swoosh! Splash! It was wild and lethal.

Thank you Lacie-Neriah.  
The moonlight revealed the storm, slicing ropes, slaughtering the sails and obliterating the dock. Cloned in his submerged heart, Michael silently watched the storm drag him down.

Thank you Harvey!  
Thank you Laci!  
Oh no... Arms. Legs. Feet. Drifted dangerously, the stern pounded powerfully and the mast hurtled horrendously.

Thank you Lacey-j!  
Thank you Robert!  
Michael was in the ocean: icy, endless, alone.

Thank you Alex N.  
For it to be a dream, Michael clung



Some of the  
fantastic  
texts used...





‘Our story in year 4 was The Journey. It didn’t have any text. The pictures told the story. It was really good!’ – Sonny Y4

‘The texts we read are really interesting. We enjoyed reading about ‘Education for Girls’ and Malaha’s experiences.’ – Harry Y5

I’ve enjoyed the Refugee’s unit. It was really interesting but sat at the same time.’ – Year 5



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Super Stunning Sicily  
If you're looking to relax on the  
delicate, butterscotch beach, or  
dive into a cyan sea, or fill  
your lungs with invigorating,  
steamy air on the rough rocks,  
then Sicily is for you.

Feel the Warmth  
The heat in Sicily is  
magically mesmerising. Feel  
the heat, see the heat. The  
sun is as hot as a volcano  
and as yellow as a beaming  
star. The sapphire, arctic  
coloured sky is an infinite  
ribbon that flows across  
Sicily. Wherever you are  
Sicily, the sapia sun will  
taunting you.

creamy, soft and lavish dish with the sweet fruit flavour.

## A Mystical Diamond Island

The island is a glistening, golden gem hanging from Italy's boot. In Sicily, what is better than the finest golden sand or the sapphire sea? Palermo cathedral is also the place to which is the crown of this mystical land with its 2200kg gold. Is that a

A Spoonful of Sicily

Try a tasty, zesty, juicy and mouth-watering salad and you will be rapturous for what is next. Sizzled slowly with sprinkled tomatoes, our flavourosome pizzas are always hand made, slowly seasoned and freshly baked. If you like dessert, our gelato is the most mouth-watering.

Shyness is  
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bracing!  
☺  
-fresh air  
-hot summer

An Awesome Destination  
Sicily is an amazing place to visit and it's the most popular island with its beautiful beaches and sapphire blue seas. Have you ever fancied tasting the mouth-watering fresh sardines while gazing at the exhilarating mountain ranges? Dust off your passport and get on that plane because you need to go to this awesome destination!

Shagbush  
Clare Tower  
Pier  
National  
Nature Reserve

Strongly suggestive:

After days with some problems feeling somewhat bored or empty, I was able to find a few things that I liked and that I was able to do. I was able to find a few things that I liked and that I was able to do. I was able to find a few things that I liked and that I was able to do.

The truth of the matter:

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Ice Kings - Snowy Survivors?

You may think of penguins as soft, cuddly and graceful because of their pattering walk and their sliding down on their bellies but these waddling penguins aren't as nice as you believe they are. ~~Also~~ However, like no other species, the Emperor Penguin

Also, penguins have a thick layer of excess fat, which is called blubber, to protect them from the freezing exposure in this perilous, windy world.

<sup>Exp</sup> During the Antarctic summer (between December and March) penguins like to fill up on fish, krill and squid to double their body weight, which can make a cushioned layer of blubber. <sup>Exp</sup> While playing a

Jack Breeding Time!

Between March and April, thousands of up to ten thousand penguins travel nearly 500km from their feeding area to search for a sheltered spot to breed. <sup>13</sup> Here, the penguins will congregate together, taking part in a unique courtship ritual - that includes synchronised dancing, waddling together and creating a 'penguin

## The Male Egg-Lubators

With a long, gloomy night  
the male Emperor Penguin  
sits his most helpful  
remains. He must warm the  
remains on his feet, protecting  
with his broad pouch (which  
helps ~~him~~ keep the old or  
protect the egg from frost).

Conservation Notes

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