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Spellings

Your spellings – Can you practise these spellings using rainbow writing. Make sure you check each letter carefully. Write the word out once in one colour. Then keep going over it again and again in different colours. This will help you remember the spelling! Remember, if you get something wrong it is ok, just make sure you learn from your mistake, so go over that word again, focussing on certain letters.

appear	disappear
caught	thought
though	although
peculiar	natural

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Starter: Look at the picture you chose from yesterday. Can you think of some short sentences to add that create suspense. E.g Silence. What was that? A creak. A groan. Silence again.



LO: To use personification to create suspense.



What is personification?

Personification is a tool used in writing which gives human characteristics to an object, animal or idea. We used personification for *Escape from Pompeii* and *Into the Forest*. It is a useful tool for creating suspense.

Examples: The wind **howled** viciously.

The house **groaned** mysteriously.

Only humans can actually howl and groan.

Here is a useful video that explains personification.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zfkk7ty/articles/zw9p8mn>

Look at the photo that you chose yesterday. What objects, ideas or animals might there be around? Jot some ideas down. This will help you later with sentence writing.



E.g: wind, moon,
house, ship, sea,
mountains, clouds,
trees, cave, bridge,
sand, foxes, ravens,
sharks...



Now try to think of some verbs (action words) that create suspense and could be used to animate your objects, ideas or animals.



E.g: howled,
whispered,
screamed, danced,
shivered, chased,
hugged, crept...





Look at your picture closely. Think about what objects might be around.

Choose one of the tasks below to try. Remember to check the following slide for some interesting verbs, adverbs and other vocabulary to use.

Note: there are some vocabulary lists and reminders of what the descriptive devices are on the last slide.

★	Challenge 1 – Choose 4 objects and write sentences using personification. Use sentence starters on the next slide to help.
★ ★	Extra challenge – Choose 6 objects to write sentences about using personification but also include adverbs in each sentence. E.g The tree laughed wickedly .
★ ★ ★ ●	Extra, extra challenge! – As above. Next, see if you can write some similes or metaphors to add to your suspense writing. E.g of metaphor: The house was a giant, glaring straight into my eyes. E.g of simile: The moon flickered in the sky like a lightbulb. ●

Some definitions and vocabulary to help:

Sentence starters:

The wind...

Behind me, shadows...

All around me, trees...

Mischievously, the light...

Simile – Something is described as something else using 'as' or 'like'

e.g. the water lapped at his legs like clawing hands

Metaphor – Something is compared to something else, without using like or as. E.g The house was a gaint.

Personification – An object is given human emotions or actions to make it seem alive. e.g. the windows of the house blinked.

Adjectives

(describes the noun)

- empty
- desolate
- gloomy
- creepy
- silent
- eerie
- ghostly
- cold
- sinister
- haunting

Verbs

(Action / doing word)

- crept
- peaked
- crouched
- hid
- groaned
- whispered
- gasped
- shivered
- tiptoed
- sprinted
- disappeared

Adverbs

(describes how the verb is done)

- cautiously
- gradually
- warily
- timidly
- urgently
- noiselessly
- suddenly
- immediately
- hesitantly
- nervously
- rapidly