

YEAR 4 AUTUMN TERM

English/History - Writing
GOAL: To write a descriptive letter from a Roman Soldier about life at Hadrian's Wall. Wednesday November

Text Structure:
Paragraph 1: Where I am
Paragraph 2: What the weather is like
Paragraph 3: What the local people are like
Paragraph 4: What the barracks are like
Paragraph 5: Where I wash and go to the toilet
Paragraph 6: What I like to do
Paragraph 7: Concluding paragraph - personal comments

Features to include:
Time Fronted Adverbial
Place Fronted Adverbial
Manner Fronted Adverbial
2A sentence
Simile sentence
Adjectives
Capital Letters
Full stops
Comma after fronted adverbial

Peer Assessment:
By: Gold Zeng
Well done you have included
Simile sentence
NS: To use Comma after fronted adverbial

Room 3011
Army Barracks,
Vindolanda Fort,
Northern Britain.

Dear Juliana,
I'm sorry it has been a while since my last letter. I have been very busy. Since February, we have been in the most northern outpost in the Roman Empire, in Britain. At the Vindolanda Fort. In Britain, the weather is absolutely awful. All winter it has been snowy, wet, damp and just freezing cold. Shockingly, the locals do not wear any armour at all. Last week one of the barbarians slipped out of line and got his head chopped off. Annoyingly, they do not want to pay taxes.

Surprisingly, Hadrian's wall stretches right across northern Britain. Hadrian's wall, is very tall and very wide. Every Roman mile, there is a milecastle and in between each milecastle there are 2 turrets. The wall has grey, stone milecastles which can house up to 6 soldiers.

Uncomfortably, the barracks are very small and extremely crowded. Inside the barracks there are 2 floors and an attic. Inside the small cramped bedrooms there are small, hard bunkbeds that we sleep on. Every

day, we have 1 pound of meat (usually pork) and rock hard biscuits. When we are guarding the wall we have a slice of bread with fermented fish stock. Annoyingly, we have no privacy at all when we are in the toilet. Grrrr! We have to guard the wall day and night. Luckily, we do get breaks.

For months now, I have missed the warm, dry climate of Italy. In the big, brown parcel I was delighted to receive warm, fluffy socks.

Lots of love
Heidi

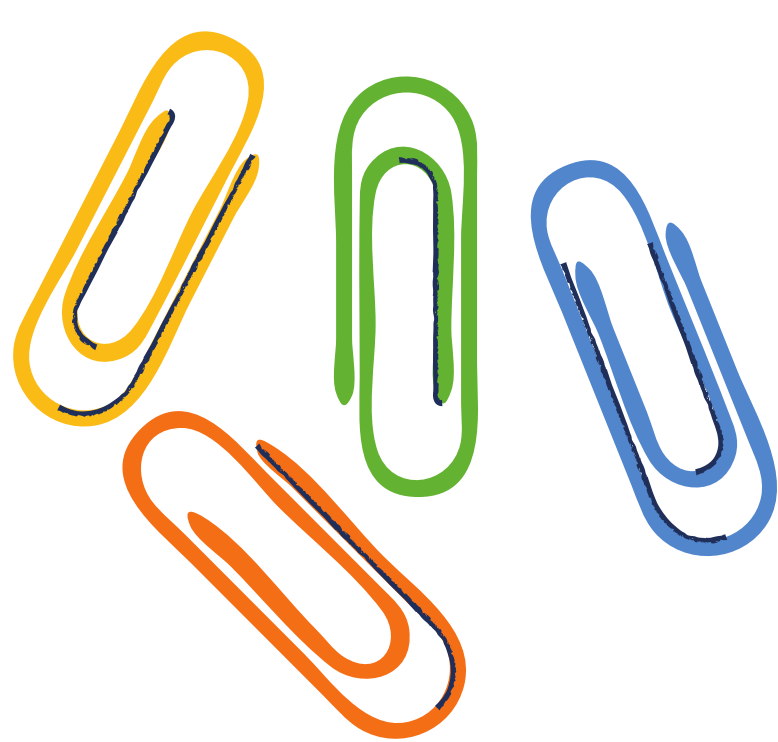
English/History
GOAL: To edit my descriptive letter. (Whole Class Feedback) Monday 23rd November

Spelling to practise:
here: here here here here here here here here here
which: which which which which which which which which
just: just just just just just just just just just
guard: guard guard guard guard guard guard guard guard

Synonyms to improve the adjectives:
big: large, massive
tall: high, towering
nice: magnificent

Punctuation:
Read through your letter and check that there is a comma after every fronted adverbial.

My edited paragraph:
As an auxiliary soldier, it is our job to guard the wall day and night. We have to be as brave as a Roman Emperor and as powerful as Emperor Hadrian. The barbarians can be good, fierce fighters. Out of nowhere, they can suddenly jump out of hedges and attack.



English/History - Writing
GOAL: To write a persuasive text about Windsor Castle. Wednesday 30th September

Text Structure:
Main Title
Subheadings
Introduction
Arguments
Facilities
Useful information
Slogan

Features to include:
Questions
Boastful language
Imperatives (bossy sentences)
Alliteration
Personal Appeal
Capital Letters
Full stops

Peer Assessment:
By: Gold Zeng
Well done you have included all the words in there.
NS: To use all the words in there!
Well done!

VISIT WINDSOR CASTLE

Are you ever bored in the summer holidays? Are your kids driving you crazy? Why not head straight to Windsor castle for an unbeatable day out.

What is Windsor Castle?
Windsor Castle is one of the most iconic Royal landmarks in London. Surprisingly, most Royal family members have at least lived at this exciting building such as Kings and Queens. Right now the Queen is living there!

What can you see?
Excitingly, at Windsor Castle there are many attractions to see such as: Queen Mary's Dollhouse, St. George's chapel (which is where Prince Harry and Princess Megan got married) and, changing the guard (I don't know what that is either). Amazingly, Queen Mary's Dollhouse is 100 years old and is tall enough to fit an adult! ~~Size~~

What can you do?
At Windsor Castle you can download a family activity app to do whilst you explore the fascinating, iconic landmark near the amazing city of London. While you are there I'm sure you would love to explore the unique gardens full of wonderful, legendary plants. Also, you can pick up a handy guide so you can see every unique feature of the castle. This amazing piece of Royal Residence has everything to entertain you.

What is there?
Whilst ^{you're} there don't forget to visit Undercroft. I'm sure you will love all the delicious, fantastic dishes waiting for you. Prepare yourself to spend all your money on the Royal collection in the gift shop.

Useful information:
Windsor castle is located on a hill and 23 miles from London. You can get here by train at Windsor Railway Station or get on a bus or by car. It opens at 10 am, closes at 10 pm.

WINDSOR CASTLE EXPERIENCE
as a LIFE TIME...
Experience
Brilliant!

English/History - Writing
GOAL: To write a story: Retelling a Roman Myth. Tuesday 8th December

Text Structure:
Paragraph 1: The brothers are offered the crown of Alba Longa, but they refuse it as they want to found their own city.
Paragraph 2: The brothers set off to find somewhere to build their city.
Paragraph 3: Setting description
Paragraph 4: The brothers agree on the exact location for the city. They wait a sign from the gods.
Paragraph 5: They argue about how to interpret the sign sent by the gods and cannot resolve their disagreement.
Paragraph 6: They end up in a fight.
Paragraph 7: Remus kills his brother in the fight.
Paragraph 8: Remus has the city of Rome built.

Features to include:
Time Fronted Adverbial
Place Fronted Adverbial
Manner Fronted Adverbial
2A sentence
Simile sentence
Direct Speech
Capital Letters
Full stops
Comma after fronted adverbial
Inverted commas

Peer Assessment:
By: Chloe... Gold Zeng
Well done you have included
Comma after fronted adverbial
NS: To use Place fronted adverbial
Well done!

Centuries ago, there were 2 brothers called Remus and Romulus. Their life was kind of rough (they did get raised by shepherds and a she wolf though). But after that they got offered the crown of Alba Longa. The two brothers refused and said this, "We don't want to be Kings of Alba Longa," said Remus. "We want our own city," yelled Romulus to the large crowd. Romulus looked as tall as a Roman chariot and his deep, brown eyes gazed. His eyes, which were the colour of the deepest oceans could really glare at you. However, Remus did have different features than his brave brother. He had ^{long} curly, messy arms. He wore an orange tunic and his eyes, which were the colour of the night sky, could really glare at you. He had slick, dark hair and a short, stylish beard.

Try and use a 2A sentence about their hair.

The two boys walked up the green grassy hills for ages until they found the perfect place... 2 large rocky outcrops and a nice meandering river swirling around them. They crossed there arms. "I want Palatine hill," said Remus. "I disagree, Romulus, Aventine Hill is more suitable as it is closer to the river," replied Remus. "But Aventine Hill is too small to build a prosperous city, we must choose Palatine hill," said Romulus meaningfully. The two brothers, not sure, argued for an extreme

Remus
Remus was as tall as an olive tree, and he had slick, dark hair and a short, stylish beard. His eyes, which were the colour of the night sky, could really glare at you. He had long, messy arms. He wore an orange, cotton tunic, with brown leather sandals. His feet, which were sweaty from the hot sun, were sunburnt. He was as fearless as brave Rhodanus. He was as stubborn as an angry bull.

Romulus
Romulus, however, was as tall as a Roman chariot. He had short, brown hair and a stubby, rough beard. His eyes, which were the colour of the deepest ocean, could really glare at you. He had very strong, solid arms. He wore a magenta, woolen tunic with old, torn sandals. His feet, which smelt very strong, were very sticky. He was as selfish as his uncle Amulius. He was as brave as a Roman soldier.

English/History
GOAL: To edit my Roman Myth (Whole Class Feedback) Monday 14th December

Spelling to practise:
There means the opposite of here: there: there there there there there there there there there
their: their their their their their their their their their their
orange: orange orange orange orange orange orange orange orange
which: which which which which which which which which which
two: two two two two two two two two two two

Grammar:
Was = singular He was tall. Were = plural Romulus and Remus were tall.
Check you have used the correct verb in your myth.

Punctuation:
Commas: Read through your myth and check that there is a comma after every fronted adverbial, after the first adjective in an expanded noun phrase and in your noun, which sentence.
Inverted commas: Check that your speech has got the correct inverted commas.
Check that you have used a comma before the closing inverted commas.

My edited story opening:
Shrilled, delighted, overjoyed, the victorious twins Romulus and Remus that just killed Amulius. They were cheering the crowds with excitement and declared they should be born Kings of Alba Longa. The two brothers, not sure, argued for an extreme