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## Management Notes

## Learning Outcomes

This term, your learners should achieve the following outcomes:

## LISTENING \& SPEAKING

1 Learners should be able to say or sing 5 new rhymes or songs
2 Learners should be able to participate in a class discussion to share prior knowledge
3 Learners should be able to discuss the shared reading story, using a discussion frame as a guide
4 Learners should be able to make up their own stories for the creative storytelling activity
5 Learners should be able to talk about their writing
6 Learners should understand and be able to use some of the following vocabulary

| education | primary <br> school | secondary <br> school | university | graduate | drop out |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| opportunity | law | lawyer | judge | courtroom | discrimination |
| gender | gender <br> discrimination | journalist | audience | target | threat |
| survive | wounded | calm | relaxed | meditate | fence |
| peek | weird | data | click | scroll | environment |
| depressed | psychologist | stomach <br> ache | exhausted | comfortable | sign |
| symptom | emotion | sadness | grief | death | funeral |
| juggle | distract | thoughtful | grateful | thankful | advice |
| relieved | memory | altar | elaborate | Mexico | celebration |
| ritual | spirit | organise | nostalgic | portrait | History |
| ancient | ancestor | ruins | century | build | rebuild |
| structure | museum | ground | underneath | hero | rights |
| equal rights | equality | government | protest | unfair | arrest |
| jail | speak out |  |  |  |  |

## PHONEMIC AWARENESS \& PHONICS

1 Learners should be able to identify phonemes aurally
2 Learners should be able to recognise the following phonemes with automaticity
3 Learners should be able to blend and segment the following phonemes

| kn | ir | er | ue | wr | ew |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| c (soft c) | aw | au | oi | ph | oy |
| or | ea |  |  |  |  |

Learners should be able to break the following words into syllables
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## READING

Learners should be able to decode the following words

| know | knee | kneel | knot | knit | knife |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| bird | shirt | birth | thirty | chirp | first |
| her | term | verb | germ | herd | herb |
| glue | clue | sue | blue | true | write |
| wrote | wrong | wrap | wrist | wreck | new |
| news | few | stew | dew | knew | city |
| cent | ice | nice | spice | rice | yawn |
| dawn | lawn | law | hawk | August | fraud |
| pause | launch | haunt | because | coin | oil |
| soil | boil | foil | toil | phone | photo |
| phase | phonic | dolphin | phrase | toy | boy |
| joy | enjoy | ploy | coy | for | fork |
| pork | horn | thorn | born | bread | head |
| dead | read | dread | lead |  |  |

Learners should be able to read the following words by sight

| against | country | fought | laws | young | opportunity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| promise | daughter | forbidden | suddenly | meditate | ground |
| closed | eyes | weird | heard | Auntie | crying |
| quietly | missed | nothing | worked | still | forget |


| sadness | gather | organise | altar | welcome | soul |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| stood | distance | ruins | ancestors | also | believed |
| equal | marry | government | ensure |  |  |

Learners should be able to read a connected text such as the example that follows
Simon Nkoli fought for equal human rights for everyone. Our new government made laws to ensure equal human rights for all. There are now laws to protect you, no matter your race, religion, or who you choose to marry

## COMPREHENSION

1 Learners should be able to make predictions about the text by reading the pictures
2 Learners should be able to recall details about the text
3 Learners should be able to recount the text
4 Learners should be able to sequence events from the text
5 Learners should start to understand what it means to visualise, make connections, make inferences and wonder about the text
6 Learners should be able to reflect on the text using a discussion frame
7 Learners should be able to construct a summary of the text
8 Learners should be able to answer written comprehension questions on the text

## WRITING

1 Learners should be able to draw a picture that conveys meaning
2 Learners should be able to add one to two labels to their drawing
3 Learners should be able to complete a short writing frame
4 Learners should be able to write 1 paragraph using a writing frame or plan
5 Learners should be able to write: a list, a letter.

## GROUP GUIDED READING

1 Learners should be able to read aloud from own graded reading book in an ability based group with teacher
2 Learners should be able to use phonetic knowledge, contextual clues and recognise sight words when reading
3 Learners should be able to begin to self monitor word recognition and comprehension

## Materials and Resources Provided

Please note that all resources provided belong to the school. Resources will only be issued once, so they must be properly accessioned and looked after.
In Term 4 teachers are provided with the following resources:

## 1 Coloured Display Boards x 4

Use these boards to frame your work for the week. Every week, display your: phonic sound and words; high frequency words; theme vocabulary words; illustrations; and writing frame.

## 2 Handwriting Chart/s

Display these charts at the front of the classroom, so that they are clearly visible to learners. Grade 1 and 2 teachers will be given Print Handwriting Charts. Grade 2 and 3 teachers will be given Print and Cursive Handwriting Charts.
3 Term 4 Lesson Plan
Use this lesson plan to see what to teach on a daily basis. The core methodologies tell you how to teach each lesson.
4 Term 4 Tracker
Use this document to complete your ATP and Term Planner. Tick off and date each lesson and assessment activity as it is done. Reflect on your teaching.

## 5 Term 4 Big Book

Use the big book stories during Shared Reading lessons. There are eight stories for the term - one story for every week.
6 Term 4 Resource Pack
The resource pack includes the following items:

- Flashcard Words are provided for theme vocabulary; high frequency words; phonic sounds and words. Cut them up and store them in an orderly fashion. Use these flashcard words with the display boards.
- Theme Vocabulary Illustrations are provided where appropriate. Cut them up and store them in an orderly fashion. Use these flashcard words with the display boards.
- Creative Storytelling Sheets are provided for each theme. These are a series of 3 or 4 pictures that tell a story. There are 10 copies of each sheet - one per small group. Please make more copies if required.
- Assessment Record Sheets are provided to record learner results and comments for the term.
7 Term 4 Reading Worksheets x 8
Eight Reading Worksheets are provided for the term - one for every week from Week 1 to Week 8. Use these worksheets with the whole class during group guided reading. There are 20 copies of each Reading Worksheet. Please make more copies if required.


## 1:

## Weekly Routine: 7 hours

1 The structured learning programme follows the same routine every week.
2 This makes it easy for teachers and learners to follow.
3 Learners can prepare for the next activity once they know the routine.
4 The routine is based on the CAPS minimum time for Home Language: 7 hours per week.
5 This routine is designed to work as part of a bilingual programme together with the PSRIP EFAL structured learning programme.
6 Please display this routine in your classroom and try to learn it off by heart!

| Monday |  | Tuesday |  | Wednesday |  | Thursday |  | Friday |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oral <br> Activities | 15 |  |  | Oral <br> Activities | 15 |  |  | Oral <br> Activities | 15 |
|  |  | Phonics | 15 | Phonics | 15 | Phonics | 15 | Phonics | 15 |
| Handwriting | 15 | Handwriting | 15 | Handwriting | 15 |  |  |  |  |
| Shared Reading | 15 | Shared Reading | 15 |  |  | Shared Reading | 15 | Shared Reading | 15 |
| Writing | 30 |  |  | Writing | 30 |  |  |  |  |
| Group <br> Guided <br> Reading | 30 | Group Guided Reading | 30 | Group Guided <br> Reading | 30 | Group <br> Guided <br> Reading | 30 | Group Guided Reading | 30 |
| 1.45 |  | 1.15 |  | 1.45 |  | 1.00 |  | 1.15 |  |

## 值且 Weekly Preparation

It is important to remember that the Home Language programme has reduced the need for teachers to PLAN, but that PREPARATION is still required! One afternoon per week, get together with your colleagues (all Foundation Phase teachers), and do your preparation together.

## When doing your preparation, remember to:

1 Read through the lesson plan for the week.
2 Make sure that you know and understand the methodologies that must be used. If not, go to the section titled 'Core Methodologies' and revise accordingly.
3 Next, check which flashcards and illustrations are needed for theme vocabulary, high frequency words, phonics and the writing frame. Get these flashcards and illustrations ready as follows:
a Cut the flashcards or illustrations out
b Try to stick them onto cardboard or paper
c If possible, laminate or cover in plastic
d Store the flashcards for a lesson together in an envelope, or with a rubber band around them
4 Collect any other resources that you may need, including pictures or real objects.
5 Check that your Big Book is in order.
6 Read through any activities in the DBE Workbook that you will complete.
7 Practise doing the writing lessons.
8 Make sure that your Tracker is up-to-date from the previous week and reflect on your progress.


## Themes and Reading Schedule

| WEEK <br> NUMBER | THEME | SHARED READING TEXT | READING <br> WORKSHEET |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | The importance of education | A life without limits | 1 |
| 2 | The importance of education | Malala's fight for education | 2 |
| 3 | Feeling calm and relaxed | Zandile learns to meditate | 3 |
| 4 | Feeling calm and relaxed | Munene gets help | 4 |
| 5 | Grief | Bantu feels sad | 5 |
| 6 | Grief | Remembering Tio Pablo | 6 |
| 7 | History | Shamiso's big trip | 7 |
| 8 | History | A hero named Simon Nkoli | 8 |

## Term 4 Programme of Assessment

The Programme of Assessment is designed in accordance with the Abridged Section 4 of CAPS. This can be found at the back of the Tracker for every term.

## Classroom Displays

## DISPLAY BOARDS

1 As part of this programme, you will be given four large different-coloured display boards.
2 Each coloured board will be used to display a different set of words for the week.
3 Use these boards as follows:
a Green board -display the theme vocabulary words and illustrations for the week.
b Blue board -display the high frequency words for the week.
c Yellow board -display the phonic sound and words for the week.
d Pink board -display the writing frame for the week.
4 The words on these boards must be updated every week.
5 Please do not leave up all the theme vocabulary and illustrations for the year. These displays should be related to the theme you are doing. If the whole classroom is full of the words and illustrations it becomes overwhelming, and learners will stop noticing them.
6 Once you have taken down a set of words and illustrations, file them carefully.
7 Look after these words so that you can use them again the following year.

## THEME TABLE

1 Try to create a theme table in your classroom.
2 Use this space to display pictures and real objects that relate to the theme.
3 Label these items, so that learners can learn this vocabulary.

## Core Methodologies

## Classroom Management

Some fundamental classroom management strategies are included as 'core methodologies'. These are strategies that are used all the time in this programme, so it is important to master them.

Objective: To improve time-on-task, learner behaviour and collaboration between learners. To reduce disruptions to learning. To introduce an element of play to learning.

## SEATING AND SMALL GROUPS

1 It is very important to give time and careful attention to how you seat learners in the classroom.
2 When doing this, consider these important points:
a Seat learners in mixed abilities - you do not want struggling learners to sit together, and strong learners to sit together. Mix learners up so that the whole classroom is a mixed-ability space.
b Seat learners strategically to avoid conflict or excessive noise. Do not seat learners who bother each other together. Do not seat learners who cannot stop talking together. Avoid problems by separating these learners.
3 In the learning programme, there are a few activities that require learners to work in small groups.
4 These should be groups of 3-4 learners, seated close together. Do this so that when you tell learners to work in their 'small groups' they can form these groups quickly and efficiently, without moving too much.
5 If learners are seated in rows, an easy way to form small groups is to have two learners in the front row turn around and face the two learners just behind them in the second row. They can make a group of four quickly and efficiently.
6 Do not leave this up to learners. Decide how to form small groups in your classroom, and train learners to get into these groups quickly and quietly.
7 If you see that the dynamics of a group are not working, make changes to the group do not force learners to work together.

## MANAGING GROUP DISCUSSIONS

1 In the learning programme, there are a few activities that require learners to hold group discussions.
2 Train learners to do this as follows:
a First, learners must get into their small groups
b Next, learners must take note of the discussion questions or frame
c Then, every learner must have a turn to answer each question, so:

- Learner 1 must answer Question 1
- Learner 2 must answer Question 1
- Learner 3 must answer Question 1
- Learner 4 must answer Question 1
- Learner 1 must answer Question 2
- Learner 2 must answer Question 2
- Learner 3 must answer Question 2
- Learner 4 must answer Question 2
- And so on

3 It can be a good idea to use a 'talking stick/stone/item' to control this.
a Give each group an item like a colourful stick or stone.
b The person who holds the item speaks and everyone else in the group listens.
c Once the first learner has spoken, he or she must pass the item to the next learner, and so on.
4 If the group has to report back, then once everyone has answered, the group can vote for the best answers to each question.

## READING TRANSITION ACTIVITIES

1 During all Group Guided Reading lessons, teachers must work with two groups.
2 Between the two groups, it is important to take an 'active break' before settling learners to work on the next Reading Worksheet activity.
3 Do this as follows:
a When you are finished working with them, send Group 1 back to their tables.
b Call the class to attention.
c Do a Reading Transition Activity with the whole class.
d Settle the learners back down with the Reading Worksheet.
e Explain the next activity on the Reading Worksheet.
f Remind learners that they must first finish the activity they are working on before moving to the next activity - they must work at their own pace.
g Call Group 2 to come and work with you.
4 In Term 4, we recommend that you use these 4 Reading Transition Activities with learners:

## Activity 1: Teacher Says

1 Tell learners to stand up.
2 Explain that you are going to do different movements, like: touch your head; fly a kite; wiggle your nose; jump three times; etc.
3 If you first say 'teacher says', then learners must do the action.
4 If you do not say 'teacher says', then learners must stand still.

5 If a learner does the action when you did not say 'teacher says', then that learner is out and must sit down.
6 The winner is the last learner standing.

## Activity 2: Dance Party

1 Tell learners to stand up.
2 Explain that you are going to play some music on your phone.
3 When learners hear the music, they must dance.
4 As soon as you switch the music off, learners must freeze.
5 Put the music on and off a few times, so that learners can dance and freeze a few times!

## Activity 3: Wiggle, Wiggle, Freeze

1 Tell learners to stand up.
2 Say: wiggle, wiggle, wiggle, wiggle, wiggle, wiggle, freeze!
3 Learners must say this with you and they must wiggle their bodies as they say 'wiggle'.
4 When they get to 'freeze' they must stand dead still and be silent!
5 Repeat this a few times.

## Activity 4: My Chair and Me

1 Tell learners to stand up next to their chairs. There must be some space around them.
2 Give learners instructions to follow - they must do this quickly and quietly.
3 These instructions are all related to the chair and they practise the use of prepositions.
4 Give instructions like:

- stand behind your chair
- pick up your chair
- climb on your chair
- step over your chair
- etc.


## Oral Activities

At the start of the Home Language lessons on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays you will do oral activities. These are the listening and speaking activities of the programme. They are carefully designed to give learners individual opportunities to speak.

## Teach Theme Vocabulary

Objective: To extend learners' cognitive, conceptual and academic vocabulary, in order to improve reading comprehension and general knowledge. To better equip learners with the language required to function effectively in the Intermediate Phase.

1 Teach 3 new theme vocabulary words to learners.
2 Use the methodology 'PATS' to teach new vocabulary.
3 PATS is an acronym for Point, Act, Tell and Say.
4 It is not always possible to do all four actions for each theme word - just do what is appropriate.
a P - POINT to a picture or real item, if possible.
b A - ACT out the theme word, if possible.
c T-TELL learners what the theme word means. Give a simple explanation of the word.
d S-SAY the word in a sentence, and have the learners repeat the word after you.
5 Once you have taught the theme vocabulary for the week, display the words on the display board, together with the theme word illustration.
6 Not every learner will recall the new theme vocabulary immediately. Do not worry about this, and do not make learners repeat the word many times!
7 Learners will encounter the new vocabulary multiple times during the theme, and will be given the opportunity to build their vocabulary authentically.

## Song or Rhyme

Objective: To consolidate learners' knowledge of new vocabulary. To learn through play.
1 The specific song or rhyme which you are to do with the learners is listed in the lesson plan.
2 Over time, the learners will get to know these songs and rhymes, and they will sing them automatically.
3 However, when they are first introduced, you need to teach learners the words, actions and tune (if there is one).
4 Teach the song or rhyme to the learners, line-by-line as follows:
a Sing or say the whole song or rhyme for the class. Explain the meaning of it to learners if necessary.
b Sing or say the first line, and then let learners repeat after you.
c Sing or say the second line, and then let learners repeat after you.
d Sing or say the first two lines together, and then let learners repeat after you.
e Continue on in this manner until you have taught learners the whole song or rhyme.
5 Always include appropriate actions with the song or rhyme.
6 Let learners request to sing their favourite songs at the end of the day - this is a fun way of reinforcing the new language that they have learnt.

## Introduce the Theme: Accessing Prior Knowledge

Objective: To establish and acknowledge learners' prior knowledge of a topic, and to build on what is already known about that topic. To model the graphic organisation of knowledge by using the strategy of mind-mapping.

1 In this activity, the teacher starts by making a quick mind-map on the chalkboard.
2 The teacher draws a circle with the name of the theme in the middle of the board.
3 Next, the teacher asks learners: What do you already know about this theme?
4 The teacher writes down learners' ideas around the mind map. The teacher should try to group similar ideas together, for example, if the theme is 'Friendship' you may have a mind map that looks like this:

## Things friends do together:

- Play after school
- Play at break
- Tell secrets
- Stick together

If your friend does something bad, you must:

- Tell them what they did wrong
- Tell them how this makes you feel
- Help them to apologise or make things right


5 In the second week of the cycle, the teacher will use the mind map to help learners revise and reflect on what they learned in the first week of the cycle.
6 The teacher will ask learners: What new and interesting things have we learned about this theme so far?

## Creative Storytelling Week 1

Objective: To give learners the opportunity to use new language authentically, and to apply their knowledge of a topic and creativity to create a meaningful story. To build learners' sequencing skills. To give learners the opportunity to work collaboratively and co-operatively in a small group.

1 This activity gives learners the opportunity to use their imagination and creativity, their new theme vocabulary and their sequencing skills to make up a new story.
2 Tell learners to get into their small groups.
3 Hand each group a copy of the creative storytelling sheet for the theme. You will find this in the Resource Pack.
4 These sheets have a series of 3-4 pictures that can be used to build a story related to the theme.
5 Tell learners to think of a story that fits with the pictures.
6 Give learners a minute or two to think about their ideas.
7 Next every learner in the group must take a turn to share their version of the story.
8 Walk around and listen to different learners as they tell their stories.
9 Collect the sheets and store them carefully for the next week.
10 Encourage learners to tell their story to someone at home.

## Creative Storytelling Week 2

Objective: To give learners the opportunity to use new language authentically, and to apply their knowledge of a topic and creativity to create a meaningful story. To build learners' sequencing skills. To give learners the opportunity to work collaboratively and co-operatively in a small group.

1 Tell learners to get into their small groups.
2 Hand each group a copy of the creative storytelling sheet for the theme.
3 Remind learners that last week, they made up their own stories around the pictures.
4 This week, learners must work as a group to decide on a group story.
5 Remind learners that their story should be creative, but also must fit with the pictures!
6 Call the class to attention.
7 Ask 1-2 different groups to share their group stories.
8 Thank learners for sharing their stories.

## Discussion of Shared Reading Text

Objective: To teach learners critical thinking and summary skills and to give them the opportunity to practise and develop these skills. To build learners' confidence by providing authentic opportunities to formulate and express opinions, evaluations, connections and
inferences. To give learners the opportunity to work collaboratively and co-operatively in a small group.

1 The Discussion of the Shared Reading Text takes place on Fridays.
2 Start by writing the discussion frame on the chalkboard.
3 Next, read and explain the discussion frame to learners.
4 Learners should understand that there is no judgement of answers to open-ended questions - differing answers and opinions are welcomed.
5 At the end of the lesson, call the class to attention.
6 In the last few minutes, ask different learners or a specific group to share their answers.
7 Thank learners for their answers and contributions.
8 If answers are incorrect, or need to be expanded on, correct learners or ask prompting questions.

## Phonemic Awareness \& Phonics/Handwriting

Grade 1\& 2 (until phonics programme is complete)
Phonemic Awareness \& Phonics and Handwriting work together in this programme.

## Consolidation: Mondays

Objective: To informally assess learners' phonemic awareness and recall of taught phonics and handwriting. To remediate or consolidate phonic and handwriting knowledge through selfcorrection. To use assessment observations for formative purposes.

1 On Mondays during Handwriting, learners practise their print by revising sounds, syllables and words learnt in previous weeks.
2 Tell learners to open their exercise books. As soon as learners are able to, they should write the date.
3 Next tell learners to fold the page in half, and number from 1-5 in the margin, and from $6-10$ in the middle of the page. (The number of sounds, syllables and words will differ from lesson to lesson.)
4 Tell learners to write down the sound, syllable or word as you say it - they must write next to the correct number. If they cannot write the sound or word, they must write a dash -.
5 Remind learners that this is a quick activity to see if they remember how to write the sounds, syllables and words that they have already learnt.
6 Tell learners that they are checking their phonics and handwriting.

- They need to see if they know how to write a sound, syllable or word correctly.
- They also need to see if they know how to form the letters properly.

7 Call out the sounds, syllables and words in the lesson plan.
8 Next, instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.

9 Correctly write the answers on the chalkboard, saying the sound and describing the writing process as you do this.
10 Tell learners that if they struggled to remember a sound or to write a letter, they must work on this during the week.
11 Collect learners' books at the end of the day, and make a note of who needs additional help.

## Learning New Sound and Words: Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Objective: To explicitly and systematically develop learners' phonemic awareness. To explicitly and systematically teach home language phonemes to learners, and to practice the identification and use of the taught phoneme in words.

## Introduce the New Sound

1 Say the sound and hold up the flashcard, for example: /p/
2 Say the sound and instruct learners to repeat the sound x 3 .
3 Discuss how the sound for / $\mathbf{p}$ / is the same in home language and English / different in home language and English.
4 For single sounds, show learners the sound on the alphabet frieze.
5 Ask learners: Can you think of words that begin with /p/?
6 Brainstorm words with learners, like: path, power, pap, pencil
7 Ask learners: Can you think of words that end with /p/?
8 Brainstorm words with learners, like: map, clap, cap

## Introduce the New Words

1 Say each word loudly and clearly as you show the flashcard to learners: pat, sap, tap
2 Show each word to learners, as you say it.
3 Ask learners to repeat the words after you.
4 Stick up the flashcards of the words on the Phonics Display Board.

## Writing New Letter(s) and Words: Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Objective: To explicitly and systematically develop learners' ability to correctly and fluently write graphemes that correspond to the taught phonemes.

1 Teach learners to correctly form the printed letter(s) for the sound taught.
2 Model writing the sound on the chalkboard - describe the letter formation process as you write.
3 Tell left-handed learners to put their heads on the desk.
4 Then, stand with your back to learners, and raise your right hand.
5 Tell right-handed learners to follow you as you write the letter(s) in the air.

6 Next, repeat this process with left-handed learners.
7 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the sound on each other's backs with their fingers.
8 After this tell learners to write the sound on their desks with their fingers.
9 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
10 Learners must then write the sound/words/sentences into their books.
11 Learners must underline the newly learnt sound in any words/sentences written.

## Segmenting and Blending: Thursdays

Objective: To explicitly and systematically develop learners' phonemic awareness, and ability to blend and segment taught phonemes, in order to read and write independently. To increase recognition of phonemes with automaticity.

## I do...

1 Start with a word from the Tuesday lesson.
2 Say the word: pat
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /p/ - /a/ - /t/
4 Say the beginning sound of the word: /p/
5 Say the middle sound of the word: /a/
6 Say the end sound of the word: /t/
7 Write the word on the board: pat
8 Model pointing and blending the sounds to make a word: $/ \mathbf{p} /-/ \mathbf{a} /-/ \mathbf{t} /=$ pat
9 Repeat this with a word from the Wednesday lesson.

## We do...

1 Start with a word from the Tuesday lesson.
2 Say the word: tap
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /t/
4 Ask learners: What is the middle sound in the word? /a/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /p/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /t/ - /a/ - /p/
7 Write the word: tap
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: $/ \mathbf{t} /-/ \mathbf{a} /-/ \mathbf{p} /=\mathbf{t a p}$
9 Repeat this with a word from the Wednesday lesson.

## Word Find: Fridays

Objective: To provide an opportunity for learners to consolidate their knowledge of taught phonemes. To give learners the opportunity to practise the skill of blending to build words. To increase recognition of phonemes with automaticity.

Write the table on the chalkboard that includes previously learnt sounds as well as the sounds taught on Tuesday and Wednesday.

| bl- | $\mathbf{i}$ | $\mathbf{p}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| oo | $\mathbf{d}$ | $\mathbf{a}$ |
| nk | $\mathbf{e}$ | $\mathbf{m}$ |

## Model

1 Remind learners of the sounds of the week: for example: /bl/ and /oo/
2 Review all of the sounds and blends on the chalkboard.
3 Explain that learners will have three minutes to make as many words as they can using the sounds and blends above.
4 Show learners how to make a word using a target sound, like: /bl/ - /oo/ - /d/
5 Remind learners they can make a word using any of the sounds - they do not need to use /bl/ or /oo/.
6 Show learners how to make another word, like: /p/ - /i / - /nk/
7 Remind learners they can make words using the target sounds, like blood, or words without the target sound, like pink.

## Learners do

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the heading: bl, oo.
2 Instruct learners to begin writing.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to find and build as many words as they can.
4 Allow learners to correct their own work. Show learners how to build these words (and others): blood, blink, blank, bloom, pink, map, dam, doom, pad, dip, mood

## Phonemic Awareness \& Phonics/Handwriting

Grade 2\&3 (once the phonics programme is complete)
Phonemic Awareness \& Phonics and Handwriting work together in this programme.

## GRADE 2 TERMS 3-4

## HANDWRITING

## Changing Words: Mondays

Objective: To remediate or consolidate phonic and handwriting knowledge through selfcorrection. To develop reading skills by helping learners to focus in on and identify changes to words or sentences, that change the meaning of the words or sentences.

Note: At first, learners will have to do this activity in PRINT. As soon as learners know enough cursive, please instruct them to complete the activity in CURSIVE.

1 On Mondays during Handwriting, learners practise their cursive writing by revising sounds and words learnt in previous weeks.
2 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the date.
3 Next tell learners to number from 1-5 in the margin, skipping a line between each number.
4 Write the sentence provided in the lesson plan on the chalkboard next to number 1, like:
1 I want a book.
5 Instruct learners to copy the sentence into their books.
6 Next, instruct learners to write different subject morphemes (In Eng or Afriks pronouns) next to the numbers, like:

- He
- She
- They
- We

7 Instruct learners to rewrite the sentence, using each of these pronouns.
8 Remind learners that this is a quick activity to see if they remember how to write the sounds and words that they have already learnt.
9 Tell learners that they are checking their phonics and handwriting.
10 At the end of the lesson, correctly write the sentences on the chalkboard, saying the sounds and describing the cursive writing process as you do this.
11 Then, ask learners to point out any patterns they can see, like: where the sentence changes.
12 Underline any patterns, like:

- He wants a book.
- She wants a book.
- They want a book.
- We want a book.

13 Instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.
14 Tell learners that if they struggled to remember a sound or to write a letter in cursive, they must work on this during the week.
15 Collect learners' books at the end of the day, and make a note of who needs additional help. Some learners may be struggling with phonics, while others may be struggling with writing cursive!

## GRADE 3 TERMS 1-2

## HANDWRITING

## Singular to Plural Words: Mondays

Objective: To remediate or consolidate phonic and handwriting knowledge through selfcorrection. To develop reading skills by helping learners to see and anticipate the patterns of change in a word depending on the noun prefix.
Note: At first, learners will have to do this activity in PRINT. As soon as learners know enough cursive, please instruct them to complete the activity in CURSIVE.

1 On Mondays during Handwriting, learners practise their cursive writing by revising words learnt in previous weeks.
2 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the date and heading Singular to Plural Words.
3 Next tell learners to write numbers 1-5 in the margin, skipping lines between numbers.
4 Remind learners that this is a quick activity to see if they remember how to write the sounds and words that they we have already learnt.
5 Tell learners that they are checking their phonics and handwriting.
6 Call out the singular words in the lesson plan. Learners must write these words next to the numbers, as follows.

## Singular to Plural Words

1 cat
2 pot
3 car
4 goose
5 child
7 Next, instruct learners to rewrite the words as plurals.
8 In the last five minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, saying the sounds and describing the cursive writing process as you do this.
9 Then, ask learners to point out any patterns they can see, like: where the words change.
10 Underline these patterns, like:

## Singular to Plural Words

1 cat
cats
2 pot
pots
3 car
cars
4 goose
geese
5 child
children
11 Tell learners to think about these patterns when they are reading or writing.
12 Instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.
13 Tell learners that if they struggled to remember a sound or to write a letter in cursive, they must work on this during the week.
14 Collect learners' books at the end of the day, and make a note of who needs additional help. Some learners may be struggling with phonics, while others may be struggling with writing cursive!

## GRADE 3 TERMS 3-4

## HANDWRITING

## Singular to Plural Sentences: Mondays

Objective: To remediate or consolidate phonic and handwriting knowledge through selfcorrection. To develop reading skills by helping learners to see and anticipate the patterns of change in a sentence depending on the noun prefix.

Note: At first, learners will have to do this activity in PRINT. As soon as learners know enough cursive, please instruct them to complete the activity in CURSIVE.

1 On Mondays during Handwriting, learners practise their cursive writing by revising words learnt in previous weeks.
2 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the date and heading Singular to Plural Sentences.
3 Next tell learners to write numbers 1-5 in the margin, skipping lines between numbers.
4 Remind learners that this is a quick activity to see if they remember how to write the words that they we have already learnt.
5 Tell learners that they are checking their phonics and handwriting.
6 Call out the singular sentences in the lesson plan. Learners must write these sentences next to the numbers, as follows.

## Singular to Plural Sentences

1 The cat drinks the milk.
2 The pot is on the stove.
3 The car drives.
4 The goose eats.
5 The child plays.
7 Next, instruct learners to rewrite the sentences as plurals.
8 In the last five minutes of the lesson, correctly write the sentences on the chalkboard, saying the sounds and describing the cursive writing process as you do this.
9 Then, ask learners to point out any patterns they can see, like: where words change.
10 Underline these patterns, like:

## Singular to Plural Sentences

1 The cat drinks the milk.
The cats drink milk.
2 The pot is on the stove.
The pots are on the stove.
3 The car drives.
The cars drive.
4 The goose eats.
The geese eat.
5 The child plays.
The children play.
11 Tell learners to think about these patterns when they are reading or writing.
12 Instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.
13 Tell learners that if they struggled to remember a sound or to write a letter in cursive, they must work on this during the week.
14 Collect learners' books at the end of the day, and make a note of who needs additional help. Some learners may be struggling with phonic sounds, while others may be struggling with writing cursive!

## PHONICS

## Revision of Sounds Through Segmenting and Blending: Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Objective: To explicitly and systematically develop learners' phonemic awareness, and ability to blend and segment taught phonemes and syllables, in order to read and write independently. To increase recognition of phonemes with automaticity.

## I do...

1 Start with a word from the Tuesday lesson.
2 Say the word: fight

3 Segment the word into sounds: /f/-/igh/-/t/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /f/
5 Say the middle sound of the word: /igh/
6 Say the last sound of the word: /t/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: fight
8 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /f/-/igh/-/t/ = fight
9 Repeat this with a word from the Wednesday lesson.

## We do...

1 Start with a word from the Tuesday lesson.
2 Say the word: fright
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /fr/
4 Ask learners: What is the middle sound in the word? /igh/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /t/
6 Write the word on the chalkboard: fright
7 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /fr/-/igh/-/t/ = fright
8 Repeat this with a word from the Wednesday lesson.

## You do...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: igh words.
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-5 in the margin.
3 Call the five words out from the lesson plan.
4 Learners must write these words next to the correct number. They should use their segmenting and blending skills to help them spell these words.
5 Learners must underline the targeted sound in each word.
6 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
7 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
8 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

Other than the You do part above, this is the same as Gr 1-2 Thursdays

## HANDWRITING

## Writing New Letter(s) and Words: Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Objective: To explicitly and systematically develop learners' ability to correctly and fluently write graphemes that correspond to the taught phonemes.

1 Teach learners to correctly form the cursive letter(s) for the sound taught.
2 Teach the lower case and upper case for each letter.

3 Model writing the sound on the chalkboard - describe the letter formation process as you write.
4 Tell left-handed learners to put their heads on the desk.
5 Then, stand with your back to learners, and raise your right hand.
6 Tell right-handed learners to follow you as you write the letter(s) in the air.
7 Next, repeat this process with left-handed learners.
8 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the sound on each other's backs with their fingers.
9 After this tell learners to write the sound on their desks with their fingers.
10 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
11 Learners must then write the sound/words/sentences into their books.
12 When modelling words, emphasise the way that cursive letters link or join to one another.
13 Learners must underline the sound in any words/sentences written.
Other than point 12 above, this is the same as Grade 1-2

## PHONICS

## Letter Swap: Thursdays

Objective: To remediate or consolidate phonic knowledge. To develop reading skills by helping learners to focus in on and identify a single change to a word that changes the meaning of the word.

## I do...

1 Explain that today, we will practise looking for small differences in words. This helps us to be better readers.
2 Write the two words provided in the lesson plan on the chalkboard, like: sight, light
3 Explain that today we will try to figure out what sound is different in the two words.
4 Model finding the difference for learners, like: sight, light
5 Explain the difference, like: the /s/ and /l/ sound is different, but everything else in the word is the same!

## We do...

## Part 1

1 Write the two words provided in the lesson plan on the chalkboard, like: bright, flight
2 Ask learners: what is the difference between these two words?
3 Call on a learner to come and underline the difference between the two words, like: bright, flight
4 Explain the difference between the two words.

## Part 2

1 Next, write the word provided in the lesson plan on the chalkboard, like: fight
2 Ask learners: What is one sound you could swop in this word to make it into a different word?
3 Write a list of learners' ideas on the chalkboard, like: light, night, fit, fat

## You do...

1 Write the word provided in the lesson plan on the chalkboard, like: fright
2 Ask learners: What is one sound you could replace in this word to make it into a different word?
3 Instruct learners to make as many other words as they can, replacing only one sound in the word.
4 At the end of the of the lesson, call learners back together.
5 Call on learners to come up to the chalkboard and write one of their words.
6 Go through the words, and explain which sound has been swopped. bright, flight, frat, right

## PHONICS

## Word Find: Fridays

Objective: To provide an opportunity for learners to consolidate their knowledge of taught phonemes. To allow learners to practise the skill of blending to build words. To increase recognition of phonemes with automaticity.

Write the table on the chalkboard. It includes previously learnt sounds as well as the sounds taught on Tuesday and Wednesday. It also includes some prefixes.

| igh- | $\mathbf{i}$ | $\mathbf{p}$ | -s |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{d}$ | $\mathbf{t}$ | $\mathbf{a}$ | -un |
| $\mathbf{l}$ | $\mathbf{e}$ | $\mathbf{c k}$ | $\mathbf{o}$ |

## Model

1 Remind learners of the sounds of the week: /igh/ and /ck/
2 Review all of the sounds and blends on the chalkboard.
3 Explain that learners will have three minutes to make as many words as they can using the sounds and blends above.
4 Show learners how to make a word using a target sound, like: /l/ - /igh/ - /t/ = light
5 Remind learners they can make a word using any of the sounds - they do not need to use /igh/ or /ck/.
6 Show learners how to make another word, like: /t/-/a/-/p/ = tap

7 Remind learners they can make words using the target sounds, like light, or words without the target sound, like tap.

## Learners Do

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the heading: igh, ck.
2 Instruct learners to begin writing.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to find and build as many words as they can.
4 Allow learners to correct their own work. Show learners how to build these words (and others):
tight, light, pack, pick, lack, lick, unpack, unpick, packs, picks, do, undo, lights, lacks, licks

Other than the highlighted point above, this is the same as Gr 1-2 Fridays

## Shared Reading with Comprehension Strategies

A new Shared Reading story is read every week.
Shared Reading is done as follows:
Monday: Pre-Read
Tuesday: First Read
Thursday: Second Read
Friday: Post-Read
For these Shared Reading sessions, make sure all learners are settled and can clearly see the big book pictures. Remind learners of your expectations during shared reading time, such as:

- Sit comfortably and STILL
- Keep your HANDS in your laps
- Keep your EYES and thoughts on the story
- Turn your VOICES off (make a gesture showing zipped lips)


## The main objectives of Shared Reading in this programme are as follows:

1 The learners experience what it is like to read an entire story that is more complex than they are able to read alone. Because learners are not worried about the technical part of reading, they can focus on the storyline and the characters. The learners can also enjoy the stories, and develop a love for reading.
2 As the teacher reads the story aloud, she incidentally models certain reading skills: she reads from the first to the last page; she reads from the top of the page to the bottom; she reads from left to right; she responds to punctuation marks; she reads fluently and at a good pace; and she reads with expression, which adds to the meaning of the text. Learners incidentally learn many skills by observing a fluent reader.

3 As the teacher reads, she embeds meaning by: pointing to a part of the picture; by using a gesture or action; and by adding expression to her voice. The teacher also explicitly adds meaning, by stopping to explain a word or phrase. By listening to the teacher and by watching her, the learners are acquiring new language skills.
4 Then, very importantly, during Shared Reading, the teacher must teach the learners how to think about a story, and how to build their understanding of a story. In this programme, we have chosen to build comprehension skills by modelling and teaching different comprehension strategies. The following comprehension strategies are used:

- Predict
- Visualise
- Search the text
- Summarise
- Think about the text (wonder)
- Make connections
- Make inferences
- Make evaluations


## COMPREHENSION STRATEGIES

The table below provides information on each strategy.

| Strategy 1: Predict |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Explanation | When learners predict, they say what they think will happen in a story. Learners can predict what will happen by looking at the pictures in a book. They can also predict what will happen next after they have read a page of the text. Finally, learners can predict how they think the story might end. |
| Objective | By getting learners to predict, you are getting them to think about the story before they have even read it. Learners must use clues to try and work out who the characters are, and what main events will take place. By predicting, learners are developing their comprehension skills by thinking about the story. |
| Steps <br> (For predicting with pictures) | 1 Look at the picture. <br> 2 Ask learners: What do you think is happening here? <br> 3 Let learners think about the question. <br> 4 If learners cannot answer, give an example answer to the question. <br> 5 Show how the pictures link to each other to build a story. |
| Examples <br> (For predicting with pictures) | 1 What do you think is happening here? <br> 2 How do you think this character feels? Why? <br> 3 What do you think you will see in the next picture? |
| Steps <br> (For predicting with text) | 1 Read a page of text. <br> 2 Ask learners: What do you think happens next? <br> 3 Let learners think about the question. <br> 4 If learners cannot answer, give an example answer to the question. |
| Examples <br> (For predicting with text) | 1 What do you think happens next? <br> 2 What do you think this character does next? <br> 3 How do you think this story ends? |


| Strategy 2: Visualise |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Explanation | When learners visualise, they must think about what is happening in the story like a scene from a movie. They must try to see the story in their minds as it happens. |
| Objectives | Visualisation helps to give meaning to the words on the page by turning them into a scene from a movie in the learners' minds. Visualisation also helps learners to see how the events in the text are connected to each other. This helps them to build understanding think about the story as a whole, rather than just page by page. |
| Steps | 1 Read the text on the page. <br> 2 Say: Now we are going to visualise the story as if we were watching a movie. <br> 3 Instruct learners to close their eyes. Explain that learners must listen to the words and make a movie in their mind. <br> 4 Read the text again. <br> 5 Tell learners what you visualised. (Model the skill.) <br> 6 Ask learners: What did you see? (What happened in your movie?) <br> 7 Listen to and discuss learners' answers. Make sure learners' answers are relevant to what is happening in the story. |
| Examples | 1 I visualised when Joe won the race. I could see the sweat coming off his head and flying everywhere. I could see his eyes focussed on the finish line, and his body working as hard as it could. |
| Strategy 3: Search the text |  |
| Explanation | Search the text questions are the most basic type of comprehension questions. These questions ask learners to think about or look at the words on the page, and to recall information. |
| Objective | These questions are a basic check for understanding of the words on the page. This strategy shows learners how to identify and search for a key word that will help them to answer these questions. |
| Steps | 1 Read the text on the page. <br> 2 Ask learners a question about the information in the text, like: Who did Joe want to beat in the race? <br> 3 Let learners answer the question. <br> 4 NOTE: Help learners to find the answer by identifying a useful key word, and then searching the text for that key word. This will usually lead them to the answer. |
| Examples | 1 Who did Joe want to beat in the race? <br> 2 What did Joe do before the race? <br> 3 When did Joe train for the race? <br> 4 Where was the race being held? |
| Strategy 4: Summarise |  |
| Explanation | When learners summarise, they think about what happened in the story. They can also think about other things, like: what they liked about the story; and what they learnt from the story. |
| Objective | Summarising shows that the learner has understood and thought about the story. Asking learners to summarise a story is the best way to check their understanding. |


| Steps | 1 Read the text. <br> 2 Remind learners: When we summarise, we think of the most important parts of a story. We can also think about what we liked about the story, and what we learnt from the story. <br> 3 Give learners a minute to think about the story. <br> 4 Instruct learners to turn and talk and share their summary with a friend. <br> 5 Finally, you may ask learners to write down their summaries, using a frame to assist them. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Examples | Story: Joe wins the race <br> Learners could summarise the story as follows: <br> This story is about a boy called Joe who wants to beat the fastest boy in the school, Sizwe, in a running race. Joe practices all the time, and finally beats Sizwe. <br> I liked the part where Joe broke the tape at the end of the race - it was so exciting. <br> I learnt that if you try hard and never give up you can be successful. |
| Strategy 5: Think about the text (Wonder) |  |
| Explanation | When the teacher wonders, the teacher thinks out loud about the text. She lets the learners hear what she is thinking about the text. |
| Objective | By modelling how to think/wonder about a text, we teach learners two things. Firstly, we teach learners that good readers do not just read the words, they always think about what they are reading. Secondly, we show learners the kinds of thoughts that good readers have about a text. <br> By doing this, we show learners how to think creatively and critically about a text. In time, learners will start to do this for themselves. |
| Steps | 1 Read the text on the page. <br> 2 Think of a question or idea that a fluent reader might have about the text. (Ideas have been provided in the First Read and Second Read blocks in the lesson plans.) <br> 3 Say: I see / I notice... <br> 4 Say:I wonder...? <br> 5 Learners do not need to answer the question. |
| Example | I see that Sizwe laughed at Joe when he entered the race. I wonder if this will upset Joe? |
| Strategy 6: Make connections |  |
| Explanation | When learners make connections, they compare the story to their own lives (text to self), or to another text (text to text), or to something else in the world (text to world). |
| Objective | Making connections helps learners understand the text more deeply by connecting it to other things that they already know, or have experienced. To show learners that they can make different kinds of connections: text to another text; text to self, their own lives; and text to the world - other information that they already know about the world. |


| Steps | 1 Read the text on the page. <br> 2 Ask learners a question, like: When was a time that you wanted to win something, like Joe? <br> 3 Use modelling to give a sample answer, like: When Joe wanted to win the race, it reminded me of how I used to compete with my sister at school. She always got top marks for everything, and my parents were so proud. I wanted my parents to feel proud of me too. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Examples | 1 How does this remind you of your own life? <br> 2 Tell me about a time when something similar happened to you. <br> 3 If you were Joe, what do you think you would have done when Sizwe laughed at you? <br> 4 How do you think Sizwe felt when Joe beat him? <br> 5 Which other character does this remind you of? |
| Strategy 7: Make inferences |  |
| Explanation | Making an inference involves using what you already know, together with what you have read to make a good guess about something in the story. This is what is meant by 'reading between the lines'. When learners make an inference, they make a good guess about something in the story. <br> Sometimes, the author does not write down every single detail of the story. The author leaves parts of the story unfinished, so readers can work it out for themselves. |
| Objective | Learners need to work out parts of a story by making inferences - they need to learn to 'read between the lines'. To do this, they must use what is written, together with what they already know to try and work out what is not explicitly written down. |
| Steps | 1 Read the text on the page. <br> 2 Ask learners: What do you know about this? What does the text say? <br> 3 Ask learners: What else can we guess about this? Is there something that the text does not say? <br> 4 Ask learners: What can we infer about Joe from the way he kept on practising? <br> 5 Listen to and discuss learners' answers. Make sure learners' answers are logical. <br> 6 If learners struggle, give them an example of an inference. Use the following sentence frame to help: Based on ... I think ... |
| Example | Text: <br> My brother applied to go to University. I came home and saw my brother holding a letter and smiling. My mother was crying, and laughing and hugging him. <br> Inference: <br> Based on the fact that my brother applied to go to university, and that he is holding a letter looking very happy, we guess that his application was successful. |
| Strategy 8: Make Evaluations |  |
| Explanation | When we evaluate a text, we make a judgement about an aspect of the text. |
| Objective | Learners must be taught that they must always evaluate what they read, and must be able to support or justify their evaluations. |

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Steps 1 Read the text on the page.
    2 Ask learners an evaluation question, and ask them to support their answer. For
    example: Do you think x did the right thing? Why or why not?
    3 Listen to and discuss learners' answers. Make sure learners' answers are logical.
    4 If learners struggle, share your own evaluation as an example: I think x did the
        right thing because }
Example Some evaluation questions start with:
    1 Do you think...
    2 Do you agree with..
    3 In your view...
    4 \text { Did you like..}
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Below is a description of the core methodology of each of the Shared Reading lessons: Pre-Read; First Read; Second Read; and Post-Read. Read these descriptions to get a clear understanding of the flow of each lesson.

## Shared Reading:

## Pre-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: PREDICT

In the Pre-Read, we build comprehension skills by getting learners to think about the story before it is read.

1 Tell learners that today they will look at the pictures in the story, and think about the story.
2 Tell learners that, based on what they see, they will make predictions about the story. This means they will use the pictures to try and guess what the story is about.
3 Explain to learners that they must not think of each picture on its own. They must think about how the pictures relate to each other. They must connect all the pictures to each other to try and work out what the entire story is about.
4 Show learners the cover of the story and read the title aloud.
5 Ask learners: What do you think will happen in this story?
6 Next, look at each picture in the story, and as you look, ask learners:
a What do you see in this picture?
b What do you think is happening here?
c What do you think might happen next?
7 If learners forget to connect the different pictures, prompt them to do this. For example: 'Can you remember what this boy was doing in the last picture? What is he doing now? What do you think is happening?'
8 When you get to the last picture, ask learners: How do you think this story will end (if appropriate)?
9 Thank learners for their predictions.

10 If you have time, read through the story once without stopping.

## Shared Reading:

## First Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: THE STRATEGY THAT MUST BE USED IS IDENTIFIED IN THE LESSON PLAN.

In the First Read, we first build comprehension skills by reading and explaining the story to learners. We also model how to think about the story. Before reading, tell the class what you are going to do. Say something like: 'Class, it is time for Shared Reading. Remember, whenever we read or listen to a story, it is important to always think about the story. Today, I am going to show you how I think about the story. I am going to do this by (for example) visualising what happens in the story. This means that as I read, I will make a movie of the story in my mind.'

1 Read each page of the story fluently and clearly. As you read, use gestures, actions and facial expressions, and change tone of voice (expression) to enhance meaning.
2 Where necessary, stop and explain a word or phrase to learners.
3 At the same time, during the First Read, we also focus on modelling and teaching a comprehension strategy to learners.
4 At the end of each page you will see two coloured blocks, labelled First Read and Second Read.
5 Once you have read the page to learners, pause and show that you are thinking by saying what is in the block. By doing this, you are modelling how to think about the story. It is important that you understand what you are saying - if it does not make sense to you, it will not make sense to your learners.
6 On the last page of the story, there are a few questions in the First and Second Read blocks.
7 Ask different learners to answer the questions.
8 Show learners that there can be more than one correct answer to a question, and that learners may have different opinions.

## Shared Reading:

## Second Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: THE STRATEGY THAT MUST BE USED IS IDENTIFIED

 IN THE LESSON PLAN.In the Second Read, we continue to build comprehension skills by reading the story to learners, and by modelling how to think about the story. Once again, tell the class what
you are going to do. Say something like: 'Class, it is time for Shared Reading. Remember, whenever we read or listen to a story, it is important to always think about the story. Today, I am going to show you how I think about the story. I am going to do this by (for example) visualising what happens in the story. This means that as I read, I will make a movie of the story in my mind.'

1 Next, read each page of the story fluently and clearly. As you read, use gestures, actions and facial expressions, and change tone of voice (expression) to enhance meaning.
2 At the same time, during the Second Read, you will model how to think about the story.
3 At the end of each page you will see two coloured blocks, labelled First Read and Second Read.
4 Once you have read the page to learners, pause and show that you are thinking by saying what is in the block for the Second Read. By doing this, you are modelling how to think about the story. It is important that you understand what you are saying - if it does not make sense to you, it will not make sense to your learners.
5 On the last page of the story, there are a few questions in the First and Second Read blocks.
6 Ask different learners to answer the questions.
7 Finally, ask learners to formulate a question about the text.
a Ask learners to independently think of a question that they can ask about the text.
b If necessary, remind learners of some of the question words or phrases, for example: who; what; when; where; how; why; in your opinion; do you think; list; etc.
c Tell learners to turn and talk, and share their questions with each other.
d Then, ask a few learners to share their questions with the class.
e Give other learners the opportunity to answer these questions.

## Shared Reading:

## Post-Read

The purpose of the Post-Read activity is to give learners an opportunity to consolidate their understanding of the story, and to practise using the new language that they have learnt.

## In the post-read, you will do one of four activities:

1 Illustrate the text
2 Act out the story
3 Oral or written recount from the story
4 Written comprehension

## ILLUSTRATE THE TEXT

1 Settle the learners at their desks, with their exercise books or blank paper, pencils and crayons.

2 Tell learners that they are going to visualise something from the text. Remind learners that when they visualise something, they think about what it looks like, smells like, feels like, and sounds like. They also visualise how they feel about this character, event or item from the text.
3 Ask learners to close their eyes and relax. Read the text to them once more.
4 Then, ask learners to open their eyes, and draw what they have visualised from the text. Learners can add labels to explain smell, taste, etc.
5 Then, learners must use the sentence starter/s to write a sentence or two about what they have visualised.
6 Finally, allow learners to turn and talk, and to share their visualisations with a partner.

## ACT OUT THE STORY

1 Settle the learners on the carpet, or in a quiet space outside.
2 Tell learners that today they will act out parts of the story that they have read.
3 Hold up the big book. Read the first page.
4 Give learners the instruction of what to act out. (In lesson plan.)
5 Act out the instruction with learners.
6 Repeat with every page.
7 Train learners to respond to a signal that they should be quiet and listen as you read a page between actions.

## ORAL OR WRITTEN RECOUNT FROM THE STORY

1 Settle the learners so that you have their attention.
2 Follow the steps in the lesson plan to recount part of the story with learners.
3 First, you will model recounting something from the story.
4 Next, you will tell learners to think of something from the story - they should not copy your recount.
5 Then, learners will TURN AND TALK and share their recount with a partner.
6 Finally, you will call on a few learners to share their recounts with the class.
7 If the lesson is a written recount, learners will then draw / write their recount in their exercise books.

## WRITTEN COMPREHENSION

1 Before the lesson, write the title of the text as a heading on the chalkboard.
2 Next, write the comprehension questions on the chalkboard, together with the sentence starters for the answers. (Where applicable.)
3 Instruct learners to open their exercise books and write the heading.
4 Tell learners that today, they are going to think about and write the answers to these questions.
5 Read through the questions with learners, and explain if required.
6 Tell learners they do not need to write down the questions, only the answers.
7 Walk around and help learners who struggle.

8 In the last two minutes, go through the answers with learners, and allow them to correct their own work.

## Group Guided Reading

Objective: To listen to each learner read aloud as an individual, and to explicitly build technical reading skills and comprehension skills with each learner. To allow the rest of the class the opportunity to practice reading phonic words, high frequency words and short, decodable sentences, before completing short written comprehension activities independently.

It is very important that you listen to every learner read individually, at least once per week.

## WHAT TO DO WITH THE REST OF THE CLASS:

1 Before you begin the group guided reading session with a group, you must first settle the rest of the class with their exercise books and decodable Reading Worksheets.
2 Make sure the worksheets are protected, by using flip files or plastic sleeves.
3 Train learners on the routine of Home Language Group Guided Reading as follows:
a Settle the class with their reading worksheets
b Explain the first worksheet activity that must be completed
c Call a group to read for you
d Once you have listened to every learner in the group, send the group back to their seats
e Instruct the class to do a transition activity, like: Teacher says; Dance party; Wiggle, wiggle, freeze; or My chair and me

- Note: 30 minutes is a long time for young learners to stay seated and work quietly and independentll. For this reason, it is important to do a transition activity to allow learners the opportunity to take a break and do something fun and physical.
f Resettle the class with their worksheets
g Explain the next worksheet activity that must be completed
h Call another group to read for you
4 It is a good idea to seat a weaker reader next to a stronger reader, so that as learners read the worksheets, some peer tutoring can take place.


## STRUCTURE OF THE READING WORKSHEETS:

1 Each weekly worksheet consists of 10 activities. There are 10 group guided reading sessions per week. However, every group has a chance to work with the teacher once per week. This means that learners will complete the Worksheet activities during 9 sessions.
2 Icons remind the learners of what to do on each day:
a The mouth reminds learners to sound out words.
b The eye reminds learners that they must read these words by sight.
c The single child reminds learners to read on their own.
d The two children remind learners to read with a partner.
e The hand holding a pen reminds learners that they must draw or write.
3 A master list of all phonic and high frequency words taught is kept. New stories are structured using the phonic and high frequency words of the week, and by including phonic and high frequency words that were previously taught. This means that learners never encounter words on the worksheet that they have not seen before.

## ASSIGNING GROUPS AND TEXT SELECTION FOR GROUP GUIDED READING:

1 In the first two weeks of school, listen to every learner read individually.
2 Use the rubric below to sort learners according to their abilities.
3 Assign learners to same-ability groups.
4 In this programme, there are 10 slots per week to listen to reading. This means that you may form up to 10 groups. If you form fewer than 10 groups, you may use the extra time slots to work with struggling readers.
5 In your Tracker you will find a form to fill in the names of learners per group, and a table that allows you to keep track of what each group has read.
6 Please note: this rubric divides learners based on their technical reading skills.
7 If there are many learners at the same level, you may want to use reading comprehension as a further way to divide the group.
8 In a class of 40 learners, there may be:

- No full group at level 1 , only a few individual learners
- 1 group at level 2
- 2 or 3 groups at level 3
- 2 or 3 groups at level 4
- 1 or 2 groups at level 5

| I think this learner reads at: <br> Level 1 | I think this learner reads at: <br> Level 2 | I think this learner reads at: Level 3 | I think this learner reads at: <br> Level 4 | I think this learner reads at: <br> Level 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - This learner knows no or very few words. <br> - This learner does not seem to recognise many letter-sound relationships. | - This learner knows just a few common words. <br> - This learner does not seem to recognise some letter-sound relationships, OR this learner needs a lot of help to read previously unseen words. | - This learner knows many common words. <br> - This learner needs help to decode previously unseen words. | - This learner knows many common words and can decode most previously unseen words. <br> - This learner occasionally needs help to decode more challenging words. <br> - This learner reads with some fluency. | - This learner knows many common words. <br> - This learner can decode previously unseen words. <br> - This learner reads with fluency and expression. <br> - This is one of the best readers in the class. |

## WHAT TO DO WITH EACH GROUP DURING GROUP GUIDED READING:

1 Call a group to read to you.
a Make sure they all have the correct text.
b Seat the group in a circle.
c Remind learners of the sight words they have learnt for the week. Show the group the flashcards of these words and practice reading them.
d Next, give learners a few minutes to read part of the text independently and in silence.
e Then, ask each learner to read part of the text aloud, on his or her own.
2 During group guided reading, it is important to remember to:
a Point out the high frequency words. Remind learners that there are some words that appear so often, that we must learn to read them by sight.
b Build decoding skills. If a learner cannot read a word, do not just help the learner with the word straight away. Rather, encourage the learner to sound the word out, and then blend the sounds together to form the word.
c Praise and encourage learners. Make group guided learning a positive experience for learners and use this time to try and build learners' confidence.
d Build reading fluency. Help learners to improve the fluency of their reading. Tell learners that their reading should sound like they are talking. Model reading fluency for learners and let them repeat after you.
e Build reading comprehension. Tell learners that they must always think about what they are reading. Teach learners to pause, go back, and reread what they have read if they lose track of the meaning. Teach learners to visualise as they read - to build a
movie in their heads of what they are reading. Teach learners to try and remember what they have read. Also encourage learners to ask if they do not understand something.

## CARE OF THE READING WORKSHEETS:

1 It is a good idea to put the worksheets into flip files or plastic sleeves when learners use them.
2 Look after these worksheets carefully and store them properly once they have been used.
3 You should be able to use the same worksheets for many years, as learners do not write on them. Instead, they write in their exercise books.

## ALTERNATE TO GROUP GUIDED READING

Remember that the point of Group Guided Reading is to listen to each learner read individually, in order to help them build technical reading skills. If you do not have enough space in your classroom for this, or if you struggle to control the class's behaviour whilst you listen to a group read, there is an alternative.
During the time for Group Guided Reading, settle all learners at their desks with the reading worksheets. Then, do the following:

1 Explain the first worksheet activity that they must do.
2 Then, call individual learners one at a time to your table to read aloud to you.
3 Listen to each learner read from a level appropriate text.
4 Build the learner's technical reading skills.
5 After 15 minutes, instruct the class to do a transition activity.
6 Then, resettle learners in their seats with their worksheets.
7 Explain the next activity that they must do.
8 Continue to call individual learners to your table to read aloud to you.
If you decide to use this alternate method of listening to reading, you must ensure that you listen to every learner read at least once per week.

## Process Writing

Objective: To teach learners a process to put their original thoughts into writing with some support. To show learners that working through a process allows them the opportunity to change, refine and improve their thoughts, rather than having to 'get it right the first time'.
Process writing consists of planning, drafting, editing, publishing and presenting. These four parts of the writing process are introduced over the three grades, as learners become more proficient.

## PLAN THE WRITING

1 In this programme, planning focusses on teaching learners how to plan using:
a A list
b A mind map
2 Before learners create their own plan, you must model this for them, so that they know exactly what to do. The lesson plan guides you to do this.
3 Explain to learners that you always THINK about what you are going to write. You must explain your thoughts out loud, so that learners can hear them.
4 Use the planning template to create your own writing plan.
5 Next, give learners a few minutes to think about what they are going to write.
6 Allow learners to turn and talk, and share their ideas with a partner.
7 Finally guide and support learners as they then use the planning template to complete their own plans.

## DRAFT THE WRITING

1 Before the lesson begins, rewrite your planning frame from the MONDAY lesson on the board. Write the writing frame template on the board.
2 Next, briefly explain and model how learners will use their plans to create a draft.
3 Show learners the writing frame template that helps them to do this.
4 As learners complete their draft, walk around the classroom and offer support.

## EDIT THE WRITING

1 Write the editing checklist from the lesson plan on the chalkboard.
2 Read through and explain the criteria to learners.
3 You may want to show learners how to correct a common mistake.
4 Allow learners time to edit and correct their own writing, using the checklist.

## PUBLISH AND PRESENT THE WRITING

1 Instruct learners to neatly rewrite their final version.
2 Give learners the opportunity to swop books and read each other's writing.
3 Give different learners the opportunity to share their writing by reading it to the whole class.
4 Ask some learners to rewrite their piece onto blank paper and then illustrate it, and sign it. Display this writing on a classroom wall.
5 Collect learners' books. You are only required to formally mark 2 pieces of writing per term using the rubrics provided. However, please read and comment on the learners' final writing pieces for every cycle.
6 Again, confidence is an important part of developing writing skills.

## 2 <br> Writing Strategies

Objective: To equip learners with a number of strategies that act as scaffolds to assist them to turn their thoughts into original writing.

1 Follow the lesson plans to complete the writing task for each week.
2 In the lesson plans, you will notice that the same routine is always followed. This is to help learners, so that they know what to expect in writing lessons. This helps to build confidence.
3 You will also notice that different strategies are slowly taught to learners so they are able to successfully complete sentence frames.
4 The aim is for learners to eventually use these strategies automatically.
5 These strategies help learners feel confident about their writing by showing them that there is a series of steps to follow when they write.

## STRATEGY 1: TEACHER MODELS WRITING FIRST

a The teacher first demonstrates the task to the class (she shows the class exactly what they are going to do).
b By watching the teacher, the learners have a clear idea of the task.

## STRATEGY 2: WRITERS THINK BEFORE THEY WRITE

a Writing is the act of putting thoughts onto paper.
b This means that writers must think first and decide what to write about before writing.
c It also means that there are no correct or incorrect 'answers' when writing - every writer has his or her own thoughts to write about.
d Always build in time for learners to think about what they want to write.

## STRATEGY 3: WRITERS DRAW A LINE FOR EACH WORD

a Learners think about the sentence they want to write, and say it aloud.
b They count how many words there are in the sentence, and draw a line to represent each word.
c Lines must be drawn from left to right and from the top of the page to the bottom.
d Lines must be the approximate length of the words.
e Spaces must be left between words.
f At the end of the sentence, the learner puts a full stop.
g With lines in place, the learner fills in words that are known, or must try to write down the starting sounds of a word before asking for help.
h This gives a structure to the learner's writing, which builds confidence. Even learners who really struggle can start the writing process in this way.

## STRATEGY 4: WRITERS USE RESOURCES TO WRITE WORDS

a Teach learners not to ask for help to write all unknown words. They should first use other resources to find out how to write the unknown word. For example:

- Words on a word wall
- Other books
- Spelling lists
- They can even ask their classmates.


## STRATEGY 5: WRITERS USE THEIR MEMORIES TO WRITE WORDS

a Learners should try to remember words they have learnt, and to write these words from memory.

## STRATEGY 6: WRITERS SAY WORDS SLOWLY LIKE A TORTOISE

a Teach learners to say an unknown word very slowly to hear its different sounds. (Segmenting)
b Next, teach learners to write down every sound that they can hear. (They may not spell the word correctly, but this will be a starting point to write unknown words. For example, are may be written as ar or even $\mathbf{r}$. The teacher can then build on this and show the writer the correct spelling.)
c Try to read the learner's phonetic writing, and praise them for using their phonetic knowledge to try and build words. This is an important skill to encourage.

## STRATEGY 7: WRITERS READ WHAT THEY WRITE

a Learners read their sentences aloud to themselves or to a peer. Reading one's writing to a classmate makes the writing process more meaningful.
b As they do this, they check that they have not left out any words.
c They also check that the word order is correct.
d Most importantly, set this up so that learners enjoy the reading process, and feel proud of what they have written.

## STRATEGY 8: WRITERS TURN AND TALK

a At different times in the lesson, learners can turn to a partner, and take turns to talk to each other.
b This can be used to share ideas about what to write about, to read their writing to each other, to tell each other about their pictures, or to check that they understand what to do.
c Teach learners to face each other and talk quietly when they turn and talk.

## STRATEGY 9: HOLD MINI-CONFERENCES

a This is a useful strategy to use as learners are writing.
b Walk around the room, and stop where you see a learner struggling.
c Hold a mini-conference with that learner.
d Engage with the learner's work, listen to the learner, and help the learner as needed.
e Remember to try and give all learners some individual attention, and to praise their efforts and improvements.


## Grade 3

 TERM 4 Meek
## THEME: The importance of education

## 䛧目 Classroom Preparation

1 At the start of each week, ensure that your classroom is neat and tidy.
2 Update your DISPLAY BOARDS, by removing items that are no longer relevant, and storing them carefully.
3 Then, prepare the flashcard words and theme word illustrations that you will need.
4 Find and prepare items for your theme wall and table that will be of interest to learners, for instance: pictures of schools from different places around the world; pictures of universities in South Africa; a photograph and newspaper article about Rebeca Gyumi
5 Do some research on the internet to prepare for the theme. For example: reasons learners drop out of school in South Africa
6 Make sure all learner exercise books and DBE Workbooks are marked, and neatly packed where they belong.
7 Make sure all your big books, graded readers and classroom library books are in good order.
8 Adjust your group guided reading groups if necessary.
9 Plan your informal and formal assessment activities for the week.

## Extension Activities

These activities can be used as independent work for learners who finish their work early
OR while you are giving assessments to learners.
Activity 1: DBE Workbook 2: Page 60, Let's read
Activity 2: DBE Workbook 2: Page 61-62, Let's do
Activity 3: DBE Workbook 2: Page 65, Let's speak
Activity 4: Write a diary entry about one thing you like about school.

## Monday

## INTRODUCE THE THEME: ACCESSING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

1 Show learners Rebeca Gyumi in the Big Book story: A life without limits
2 Tell learners that we are starting a new theme called: The importance of education
3 Draw a circle with the name of the theme in the middle of the chalkboard.
4 Ask learners: What do you already know about this theme?
5 Write down learners' ideas around the mind map. Group similar ideas together.
6 If learners struggle to respond, ask the following prompting questions:
a What is education?
b What things do you like learning about at school?
c Why do you think education is important?

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- education
- primary school
- secondary school
- university

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| I'm giving all I have to my school work, | Put your hands on your chest |
| Because my education is important, can't you <br> see? | Open your hands in front of you like a book |
| I have a master plan to reach my goals | Put your index finger on the side of your head |
| My success depends on me! | Point to yourself |

## Handwriting

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the date.
2 Next tell learners to number from 1-5 in the margin.
3 Write the following sentence on the chalkboard next to number 1: I put my jacket on, I like my jacket.

4 Next, write the following pronouns (subject morphemes) next to numbers 2-5:
2 He
3 We
4 She
5 Tey
5 Tell learners to rewrite sentence starting with the word provided.
6 In the last five minutes, correctly write the sentences on the chalkboard, saying the sounds and describing the cursive writing process as you do this.
7 Then, ask learners to point out any patterns they can see, like: where the sentence changes.
8 Underline any patterns, like:
1 I put my jacket on, I like my jacket.
2 He puts his jacket on, he likes his jacket.
3 We put our jackets on, we like our jackets.
4 She puts her jacket on, she likes her jacket.
5 They put their jackets on, they like their jackets.
9 Instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.

## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Pre-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: PREDICT

1 Settle learners on the carpet or so that they can see the Big Book.
2 Open the Big Book to the story: A life without limits
3 Do a picture walk of every page, asking learners what they think is happening.
4 Help learners to connect the pictures, so that they have a good sense of what the story is about.
5 Introduce new vocabulary at relevant parts of the story.
6 Read the story through once, without stopping.

## Writing:

TOPIC: Write two paragraphs about your dreams and goals for the future.
TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

PLANNING STRATEGY: Write a list

## INTRODUCE THE WRITING TOPIC.

1 Show learners that you think before you write.
2 Orally, explain your ideas for your paragraphs, like:
When I was young, my dream was to become a teacher. I wanted to be a teacher because I think education is the most important thing. I wanted to make sure that all children would have a great education!

## MODELLING THE PLANNING STRATEGY (I DO)

1 Have the planning frame written on one side of the chalkboard.
2 Show learners how you make a list by answering the questions.
3 Complete the plan on the other side of the chalkboard.

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Planning Questions
Paragraph 1
What is your dream or goal for the future?
    What do you imagine this will look like?
Why is this your dream?
4 How do you feel when you think about
    your dream?
Paragraph 2
1 What do you think you will need to do to
    turn your dreams into reality?
2 What is your plan to reach your goal?
3 How do you think you will feel when you
    are working to reach your goal?
4 How do you think you will feel when you
    reach your goal?
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Plan
Paragraph }
1 To be a teacher
2 A classroom full of learners, me in the front
    so happy to teach.
3 Because education is important!
4 Excited to help all children.
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## Paragraph 2

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1 I need to go to University and study education.
2 Work hard in school, apply to University, study primary education.
3 I think it will be hard work!
4 I will feel proud of myself and relieved to finally have reached my goal.
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## LEARNERS USE THE PLANNING STRATEGY (YOU DO)

1 Tell learners to close their eyes and think of about their dreams and goals for the future.
2 Next, tell learners to turn and talk with a partner, to share their stories.

3 Show learners the planning frame on the chalkboard, and tell them to use this frame to plan their writing, just like you did.
4 Hand out exercise books.
5 Tell learners they must write their own ideas - they must not copy your plan.
6 As learners work, walk around the room and hold mini-conferences.


1. To be a doctor
2. A hospital with people needing my kelp 3. Because 9 want to help people
3. Excited to be the best doctor

Paragraph 2

1. Inced to gorton University and study for a long time.
2. Work hard in school, apply to

University, study hard.
3. J think 9 will be exited but tired.
4. I will feel proud of myself and excited to finally have reached my goal.

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 1.
2 Explain Monday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Monday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Tuesday

I DO...
1 Say the sound: kn
2 Say the word: knot
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /kn/-/o/-/t/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /kn/
5 Say the second sound of the word: /o/
6 Say the last single sound of the word: /t/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: knot
8 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /kn/-/o/-/t/ = knot

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: kn
2 Say the word: knit
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /kn/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /i/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /t/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /kn/-/i/-/t/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: knit
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /kn/-/i/-/t/ = knit

YOU DO...
1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: kn words
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-6 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 know
2 knee
3 kneel
4 knot
5 knit
6 knife
4 Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.
5 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.

6 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
7 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
$\qquad$

## Handwriting:

## Write letters) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letters) in cursive: kn
2 Model writing the letters) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letters) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letters) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letters) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.



## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$


Shared Reading: 15 Minutes

## First Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGIES: MAKE EVALUATIONS

| Text | First Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| A life without limits | -- |
| Rebeca had been waiting to begin school her <br> whole life! Since she was a tiny baby, her parents <br> had told her how important her education was. |  |
| 'School is so important,' her mother cooed. <br> Your education will give you a life without limits!' <br> her father sang to her. |  |
| As a young child, Rebeca loved school. She was <br> friends with many bright, talented girls at Mazengo <br> Primary School in Dodoma, her village in Tanzania. | I make the evaluation that Rebeca loved <br> school because she was always told about the <br> importance of education! |
| 'School is so important!' her mother told her <br> every morning. <br> 'Your education will give you a life without limits!' <br> her father told her every afternoon. |  |

## Text

As Rebeca got older, she noticed that some of the girls in her class stopped coming to school. Rebeca felt like she could do anything with an education! But, she could see that not all of her classmates got the same message at home.
'My brother said that girls are not as smart as boys!' one of her friends told her.
'My mother said that marriage is more important than school for girls,' another friend said.

There were fewer and fewer girls in her classes at Kilakala High School.
'Where did Adla go?' Rebeca asked her friend Joyce one day, as they walked home from school together. 'Oh, she has a husband now,' Joyce replied.
'And do you remember Zahra?' Joyce asked. 'She's also married, so she doesn't come to school anymore.'
'Zahra was so good in Maths. I always thought she would become a doctor.' Rebeca said.
'Why haven't any boys left school, but so many girls have?' Rebeca wondered.

That night, Rebeca told her parents about all the girls who had left school.
'Please let me stay in school!' Rebeca cried.
'School is so important!' her mother repeated, 'For girls and for boys!'
'Your education will give you a life without limits!' her father repeated.

Rebeca felt so lucky. She wished all the girls in her class had the same kind of support at home. Rebeca decided she would use her education to help girls just like her.

At the University of Dar es Salaam, Rebeca decided to study law. She learned about Tanzania's law, which allowed girls to be married at a very young age - just 14 years old. But, the age for boys was 18 ! 'This must be why so many girls left school,' Rebeca thought. 'I'm going to change this law!'

First Read (Think Aloud)
Let's evaluate the problem in this story: not all people think that girls need an education.

This tells us more about the problem! I read that when girls get married, they must drop out of school. I make an evaluation that many smart girls leave school.

I make the evaluation that Rebeca's parents think that education is more important than marriage, because then Rebeca will be able to do anything she wants! I don't think that they will make her leave school.

I make the evaluation that Rebeca will try to help solve the problem, even though the problem doesn't impact her own life directly.

I make the evaluation that Rebeca studied law to try to help solve the problem! She must really care about fixing this problem.

| Text | First Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| After graduating, Rebeca and her colleagues <br> worked hard to try to change the law. Many <br> people said that they were working against <br> Tanzania's traditions. But Rebeca disagreed. 'Any <br> tradition that hurts girls is not a tradition we <br> should keep!' she argued. | -- |
| Rebeca and her colleagues presented their <br> arguments in front of judges at Tanzania's High <br> Court. The judges agreed with Rebeca's team <br> and decided to change Tanzania's law. This <br> meant that the age for girls to legally marry was <br> changed to 18, the same age as boys! | I make the evaluation that other people in <br> Tanzania saw the same problem as Rebeca, and <br> wanted to fix it too! |
| Even though the law has been changed, Rebeca <br> has not stop working hard to fight for the rights <br> of girls. Rebeca still works tirelessly to make sure <br> all girls know that school is important, and that <br> education will give them a life without limits! | Rebeca's team won the court case! But, I make <br> the evaluation that the problem isn't totally <br> fixed, because Rebeca is still working to help all <br> girls have access to a full education! |

## Follow up questions <br> Where does this story take place?

What is the problem in the story?

What did Rebeca do to try to solve the problem?

## Why question

Why do you think Rebeca stayed in school?

## Responses

In Tanzania.

- The problem is that girls are dropping out of school.
- The problem is that some people think education isn't that important for girls.
- She decided to become a lawyer.
- She fought against unfair laws.


## Possible response

- Because she loved school.
- Because her family thought education was very important.
- Because her family wanted her to have a life without limits.
- Because she was always told that education was the most important thing - for girls and boys.


## Group Guided Reading

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 1.
2 Explain Tuesday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Tuesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Wednesday

## $\rho$

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- graduate
- drop out
- opportunity

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| I'm giving all I have to my school work, | Put your hands on your chest |
| Because my education is important, can't you <br> see? | Open your hands in front of you like a book |
| I have a master plan to reach my goals | Put your index finger on the side of your head |
| My success depends on me! | Point to yourself |

## CREATIVE STORYTELLING

1 Divide learners into their small groups.
2 Hand each group a copy of the creative storytelling pictures.
3 Tell learners to think of a story that fits with the pictures.
4 Give learners a minute or two to think about their ideas.
5 Next every learner in the group must take a turn to share their version of the story.
6 Remind learners that their story should be creative, but also must fit with the pictures!
7 Remind learners to listen carefully to each other's stories.


8 Thank learners for sharing their stories.

## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics: <br> Revise Sounds, Blending And Segmenting

I DO...
1 Say the sound: ir
2 Say the word: bird
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /b/-/ir/-/d/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /b/
5 Say the second sound of the word: /ir/
6 Say the last sound of the word: /d/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: bird
8 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /b/-/ir/-/d/ = bird

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: ir
2 Say the word: birth
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /b/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /ir/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /th/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /b/-/ir/-/th/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: birth
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /b/-/ir/-/th/ = birth

## YOU DO...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: y words.
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-5 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 bird
2 shirt
3 birth
4 thirty
5 chirp
6 first
4 Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.
5 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
6 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.

7 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$


## Handwriting:

 15 minutes
## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letter(s) in cursive: ir
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.



## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sounds: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$
Center

## Writing:

TOPIC: Write two paragraphs about your dreams and goals for the future.
TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

## WRITING FRAME:

## Paragraph 1

My dream is to...
This is my dream because...
When I imagine...I...
I feel...

## Paragraph 2

My plan to reach my goal is...
I will need to...
I think it will be...
When I finally reach my goal, I think...
PREPARATION: Before the writing lesson, write the plan you made on Monday on the chalkboard.

## MODELLING THE DRAFTING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Remind learners of the plan that you made on Monday.
2 Read through your plan that is written on the chalkboard.
3 Next, read through the writing frame with learners.
4 Model how you will complete the writing frame using your own plan, like:
My dream is to become a primary school teacher. This is my dream because I think education is the most important thing. I want to help make sure all children have a good education. I also love working with children. When I imagine becoming a teacher $\underline{I}$ see a classroom full of excited learners. $\underline{I}$ feel so excited to teach someday.
My plan to reach my goal is to go to university to study primary education. My plan is to go to University of Pretoria. I will need to work hard in school and then apply to university. I think it will be a lot of hard work to reach my goal. But I think it will be worthwhile in the end.
When I finally reach my goal, I think I will feel so proud of myself and relieved to be a teacher! My family will also feel proud!

LEARNERS COMPLETE THE DRAFTING PROCESS (YOU DO)
1 Hand out learners' exercise books.
2 Instruct learners to write the date and heading: My dreams and goals: Draft
3 Tell learners to find their plan from Monday and think about their ideas.
4 Tell learners to complete the writing frame using their plans.
5 Tell learners that they can add more sentences or details if they have time.
6 Remind learners of the strategies they can use to help them.
7 As learners write, walk around the classroom and help learners who are struggling.
My dreams and goals: Draft
Paragraph 1
My dream is to beacon a doctor.
This is ny dream beaune I want to help peple who are sick
When I imagin being a doctor, I think about a hospital filid with peple needing my kelp. I feel very exsitid to become the best doctor one day.

Paragraph 2
My plan tor reek my goal is to go to university to study medecine.
S will need to work very hard in skoal so that $I$ can go to university.
9 think it will be exciting but very hard word work. I will be tired.
When Ifinaly reeck my goal, I think my family will be oo proud of me and I will be very exsitid.

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 1.
2 Explain Wednesday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Wednesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Thursday

I DO...
1 Explain that today, we will practise looking for small differences in words. This helps us to be better readers.
2 Write these two words on the chalkboard: bird, birth
3 Model finding the difference for learners, like: bird, birth
4 Explain the difference, like: the /d/ and/th/ sounds are different, but everything else in the word is the same!

## WE DO...

PART 1
1 Write these two words on the chalkboard: knot, knit
2 Ask learners: what is the difference between these two words?
3 Call on a learner to come and underline the difference between the two words, like: knot, knit
4 Explain the difference between the two words.

## PART 2

1 Next, write this word on the chalkboard: knee
2 Ask learners: What is one sound you could swop in this word to make it into a different word?
3 Write a list of learners' ideas on the chalkboard, like: see, tree, three, kneel

## YOU DO...

1 Write this word on the chalkboard: knife
2 Instruct learners to make as many other words as they can, replacing only one sound in the word.
3 At the end of the call on learners to come up to the chalkboard and write one of their words.
4 Go through the words and explain which sound has been swopped. wife, life, strife

## Shared Reading:

## Second Read

READING STRATEGIES: MAKE EVALUATIONS

| Text | Second Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| A life without limits | I remember that lots of the girls in Rebeca's <br> class were not given the same messages about <br> education at home! I make the evaluation that <br> Rebeca had been waiting to begin school her <br> whole life! Since she was a tiny baby, her parents <br> had told her how important her education was. <br> than other families. |
| 'School is so important,' her mother cooed. |  |

## Text

That night, Rebeca told her parents about all the girls who had left school.
'Please let me stay in school!' Rebeca cried.
'School is so important!' her mother repeated, 'For girls and for boys!'
'Your education will give you a life without limits!' her father repeated.

Rebeca felt so lucky. She wished all the girls in her class had the same kind of support at home. Rebeca decided she would use her education to help girls just like her.

At the University of Dar es Salaam, Rebeca decided to study law. She learned about Tanzania's law, which allowed girls to be married at a very young age - just 14 years old. But, the age for boys was 18 ! 'This must be why so many girls left school,' Rebeca thought. 'I'm going to change this law!'
After graduating, Rebeca and her colleagues worked hard to try to change the law. Many people said that they were working against Tanzania's traditions. But Rebeca disagreed. 'Any tradition that hurts girls is not a tradition we should keep!' she argued.

Rebeca and her colleagues presented their arguments in front of judges at Tanzania's High Court. The judges agreed with Rebeca's team and decided to change Tanzania's law. This meant that the age for girls to legally marry was changed to 18 , the same age as boys!

Even though the law has been changed, Rebeca has not stop working hard to fight for the rights of girls. Rebeca still works tirelessly to make sure all girls know that school is important, and that education will give them a life without limits!

Second Read (Think Aloud)
Rebeca is confused. I make the evaluation that she is also scared that she might be forced to drop out of school, like the other girls she has grown up with!

Oh! I make the evaluation that when Rebeca read this law, she understood the problem more deeply. Girls were dropping out because they were getting married much younger than the boys!

I make the evaluation that Rebeca is determined to fix the problem so that all girls know that they can be anything they want to be!

I make the evaluation that Rebeca is determined to keep fighting for all girls to have the same opportunities she had because of her education.

## Follow up questions

Who tells Rebeca that education is important?
Why were girls dropping out of school before boys?

Can you make an evaluation about Rebeca? What kind of person do you think she is?

## Why question

Why do you think Rebeca Gyumi was determined to change Tanzania's law?

## Possible responses

Her parents.

- Because they were getting married.
- Because the law said that girls could get married at a younger age than boys.
I think she is....because...


## Possible response

- Because she was taught that education is the most important thing.
- Because she saw that the law meant more girls dropped out of school than boys.
- Because she wanted to make sure all girls got an education before getting married.
- Because she wanted girls to know that they could be anything they want to be!
- Because she saw that the law was having a negative impact on girls in her community.


## GROUPS:

1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 1.
2 Explain Thursday Activity $\mathbf{1}$ to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Thursday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Friday

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- law
- lawyer
- judge
- courtroom

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| I'm giving all I have to my school work, | Put your hands on your chest |
| Because my education is important, can't you <br> see? | Open your hands in front of you like a book |
| I have a master plan to reach my goals | Put your index finger on the side of your head |
| My success depends on me! | Point to yourself |

## DISCUSSION OF SHARED READING TEXT

1 Write the discussion frame on the chalkboard:
This story is about...
One thing I learnt from the story was...
This story is related to the theme of 'the importance of education' because...
2 Read the discussion frame to learners.
3 Put the learners into their small groups.
4 Tell learners that everyone must take a turn to answer each discussion question.
5 Call the class to attention.
6 Ask different learners or a specific group to share their answers.
7 If answers are incorrect, correct them.
8 Thank learners for their contributions.

## Word Find

Write the table on the chalkboard that includes previously learnt sounds as well as the sounds taught on Tuesday and Wednesday.

| kn | ir | e |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{i}$ | $\mathbf{o}$ | $\mathbf{l}$ |
| $\mathbf{t}$ | $\mathbf{w}$ | $\mathbf{f}$ |
| $\mathbf{d}$ | $\mathbf{b}$ | $\mathbf{s}$ |
| $\mathbf{h}$ | $\mathbf{c}$ | $\mathbf{p}$ |

## MODEL

1 Remind learners of the sounds of the week: /kn/ and /ir/
2 Review all of the sounds and blends on the chalkboard.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to make as many words as they can using the sounds and blends above.
4 Show learners how to make a word using a target sound, like: /kn/-/o/-/w/ = know
5 Remind learners they can make a word using any of the sounds - they do not need to use /kn/ or /ir/
6 Show learners how to make another word, like: /h/-/i/-/t/ = hit

## LEARNERS DO

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the heading: kn, ir
2 Instruct learners to begin writing.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to find and build as many words as they can.
4 Allow learners to correct their own work. Show learners how to build these words (and others):
know, knee, kneel, knot, knit, knife, bird, shirt, birth, chirp, first, hit, hot, ship, wish, shot, which, path

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Post-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: SUMMARISE

ORAL OR WRITTEN SUMMARY OF THE STORY
1 Explain that today we will think about the most important parts of the text.
2 We will also make an evaluation about Rebeca Gyumi.
3 We will rate the story out of 5 stars. We give a story five stars if we LOVE it. We give a story zero stars if we dislike it.
4 Write the summary frame on the chalkboard.
5 Instruct learners to use the frame to answer the question:
This story is about...(2-3 sentences)
I liked when...
I think Rebeca Gyumi is...because...
Out of 5 stars, I give this story...because...
6 Explain that learners will not be able to say everything about the text - they will need to choose the most important parts.
Model your own example for learners. Say: This story is about Rebeca Gyumi fighting to change the law in Tanzania. She works to make the age of marriage older so that girls can stay in school instead of getting married. I liked when Rebeca became a lawyer and could work to change things in her country. Ithink Rebeca Gyumi is brave because she works to change the law even though some people disagree with her. Out of 5 stars, I give this story $\mathbf{5}$ stars because I think Rebeca Gyumi is an important person to learn about!
7 Give learners time to think about the most important parts of the text.
8 Tell learners to turn and talk with a partner to share their ideas. / Tell learners to write their own summaries using the frame.
9 Call the class back together.
10 Ask 1-2 learners to share their summaries with the class.
Come up with a class summary, like: This story is about a girl named Rebeca Gyumi from Tanzania. She works to make sure girls have opportunities to go to school. In the story, she fights to change the marriage age. We liked when Rebeca became a lawyer and could work to change things in her country. We think Rebeca Gyumi is clever because she became a lawyer and was successful in changing the law. Out of 5 stars, we give this story 3 stars because some people loved the story but other people thought it wasn't that interesting.

## Group Guided Reading

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 1.
2 Explain Friday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Friday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## End of week language learning review

1 Settle learners on the carpet at the end of the day.
2 Conduct the weekly language review session. You may choose to combine HL and FAL learning in this review.
3 Remember to allow learners to 'Turn and Talk' and discuss their answers with a partner. Then, select a few learners to share their answers with the class.
4 Use the following prompting questions to guide the language part of your discussion:
a What was our language theme for the week?
b Which stories did we read together?
c What were your favourite new words of the week?
d What did you learn from the stories we read?
e What did we write about this week?
f How did your own writing improve this week?
$g$ How did your own reading improve this week?
$h$ What are you most proud of this week?
5 Finally, tell learners to think about two things that they are going to tell their families about what they learnt or how they improved at school this week.

Please note: This process of self review and reflection is a critically important part of learning. Please do not skip this weekly activity.

## Grade 3

 TERM 4

# THEME: The importance of education 

## 明目 Classroom Preparation

1 At the start of each week, ensure that your classroom is neat and tidy.
2 Update your DISPLAY BOARDS, by removing items that are no longer relevant, and storing them carefully.
3 Then, prepare the flashcard words and theme word illustrations that you will need.
4 Add items for your theme wall and table that will be of interest to learners, for instance: Photographs of yourself when you were in school; a photograph and newspaper article about Malala Yousafzai
5 Do some research on the internet to prepare for the theme. For example: Free educational resources learners can access on their phones
6 Make sure all learner exercise books and DBE Workbooks are marked, and neatly packed where they belong.
7 Make sure all your big books, graded readers and classroom library books are in good order.

## Extension Activities

These activities can be used as independent work for learners who finish their work early OR while you are giving assessments to learners.

Activity 1: DBE Workbook 2: Page 70, Let's read
Activity 2: DBE Workbook 2: Page 71-73, Let's write
Activity 3: DBE Workbook 2: Page 74, Let's read and pages 75-77, Let's write
Activity 4: Write a diary entry about one reason school is important to you.

## Monday

## RECAP THE THEME: ACCESSING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

1 Show learners the picture of Malala Yousafzai in the Big Book story: Malala's fight for education
2 Tell learners that we are continuing our theme: The importance of education
3 Draw a circle with the name of the theme in the middle of the chalkboard.
4 Ask learners: What have you learned about this theme so far?
5 Write down learners' ideas around the mind map. Group similar ideas together.
6 If learners struggle to respond, ask the following prompting questions:
a What opportunities can an education give to us?
b Why do you think education is important? (What have we learnt so far?)
c Why did Rebeca Gyumi think education was important?

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- discrimination
- gender
- gender discrimination

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| I'm giving all I have to my school work, | Put your hands on your chest |
| Because my education is important, can't you <br> see? | Open your hands in front of you like a book |
| I have a master plan to reach my goals | Put your index finger on the side of your head |
| My success depends on me! | Point to yourself |

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the date and heading $\underline{\text { Singular to }}$ Plural Words.
2 Next tell learners to write numbers 1-5 in the margin, skipping lines between numbers.
3 Call out the singular words as follows. Learners must write these words next to the correct number.

## Singular to Plural Words

1 box
2 glass
3 beach
4 brush
5 dish
4 Next, instruct learners to rewrite the words as plurals, on the line below.
5 In the last five minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, saying the sounds and describing the cursive writing process as you do this.
6 Then, ask learners to point out any patterns they can see, like: where the words change.
7 Underline these patterns, like:

## Singular to Plural Words

1 box
boxes
2 glass
glasses
3 beach
beaches
4 brush
brushes
5 dish
dishes
8 Tell learners to think about these patterns when they are reading or writing.
9 Instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.

## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Pre-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: PREDICT

1 Settle learners on the carpet or so that they can see the Big Book.
2 Open the Big Book to the story: Malala's fight for education
3 Do a picture walk of every page, asking learners what they think is happening.
4 Help learners to connect the pictures, so that they have a good sense of what the story is about.
5 Introduce new vocabulary at relevant parts of the story.
6 Read the story through once, without stopping.

## Edit

TOPIC: Write two paragraphs about your dreams and goals for the future.
TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

## PREPARATION:

- Write the editing checklist on the chalkboard before the start of the writing lesson.
- Write your draft on the chalkboard before the lesson. Include one or two mistakes.


## EDITING CHECKLIST:

1 Did I describe my goal?
2 Did I use the future tense to talk about my goal?
3 Did I use first person ('I' and 'we')?
4 Did I write at least 12 sentences split into two paragraphs?
5 Did I spell all words correctly?
6 Does every sentence start with a capital letter?
7 Does every sentence end with proper punctuation?

## MODEL THE EDITING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Read the editing checklist aloud to learners.
2 Next, read your draft aloud to learners.
3 Go through the checklist, and point out whether your draft is correct, or whether you need to make corrections or improvements.
4 Model the correction process for learners.

## LEARNERS COMPLETE THE EDITING PROCESS (YOU DO)

1 Hand out exercise books.
2 Tell learners to find their draft of the writing task.
3 Next, tell learners to go through the editing checklist and make any corrections or improvements that are required.
4 As learners work, walk around the room and hold mini-conferences - ensure you work with a different group of learners for every writing task.
5 Look for any common errors in learners' writing.
6 Call learners to attention and write the commonly made errors on the chalkboard.
7 Show learners how to correct these errors.
My dreams and goals: Draft
$\frac{\text { Paragraph } 1}{\text { My dream is to become a doctor. }}$
This is ny dream because I want to kelp peiple who are sick
When I imaisinikbeing a doctor, I think about
a hospital with people needing ny help.
I feel very exatit to become the best doctor one day.
$\frac{\text { Paragraph } 2}{\text { My plan to read }}$
to study medicine.
Io study medoine.
9 can go to university.
I think it will be exciting but wry hard
work. I will be tired.
When Ifinily rah my goal, I think my
family will be so proud of me and I will be very excited
exaction.

## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

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1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 2.
2 Explain Monday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Monday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Tuesday

I DO...
1 Say the sound: er
2 Say the word: germ
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /g/-/er/-/m/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /g/
5 Say the second sound of the word: /er/
6 Say the last single sound of the word: /m/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: germ
8 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /g/-/er/-/m/= germ

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: er
2 Say the word: herb
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /h/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /er/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /b/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /h/-/er/-/b/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: herb
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /h/-/er/-/b/ = herb

YOU DO...
1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: er words
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-6 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 her
2 term
3 verb
4 germ
5 herd
6 herb
4 Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.
5 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.

6 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
7 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Handwriting:

## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letter(s) in cursive: er
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
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## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## First Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGIES: MAKE CONNECTIONS

| Text | First Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Malala's fight for education | I remember last week we read about another <br> girl who fought for girls' education - Rebeca <br> Gid wow that around the world, more than <br> Gyumi. Let's make connections between these <br> gender discrimination? Malala Yousafzai has <br> dedicated her life to helping girls all around the <br> two stories as we read today! |
| Malala to access education. |  |
| 1997. |  | | If only she were a boy!' one of the neighbours Mingora, Pakistan on July 12, |
| :--- |$\quad$| I remember from the story about Rebeca that |
| :--- |
| not all people think girls need an education. I |
| think that must be true all around the world - |
| because Rebeca was in Tanzania and Malala is in |
| said to Ziauddin, Malala's father. |
| Pakistan. |

## Text

Ziauddin kept his promise to give Malala and girls like her every opportunity that boys would have. He started a school for girls in Mingora.
'Why run a school for girls?' one of the neighbours called to Ziauddin as he walked to work.
'What is the point of educating girls? another said, shaking her head.
'It is my job to make sure the girls of our village have every opportunity that boys have,' Malala's father responded firmly.

He watched his little Malala grow and learn with the other little girls of Mingora.

But everything changed when the Taliban took over the village. Life changed in many ways. Owning a television was banned. Playing music was banned. And it was forbidden for girls to go to school.

The Taliban had already blown up more than 100 girls' schools by the time they told Ziauddin to close the doors of his school.
'I wanted to give Malala and the other girls every opportunity that boys have - but I can't risk their safety,' Ziauddin thought.
Malala said goodbye to her classmates with tears in her eyes. She did not know if she would ever be in a classroom with her friends again.

Ziauddin continued to teach Malala many things at home. But Malala missed learning at school with other girls like her.

In September 2008, Ziauddin took Malala to the Peshwar Press Club, an organization of journalists. There, Malala gave her first speech.
'How dare the Taliban take away my basic right to education?' Malala asked her audience. The next day, her words appeared in newspapers and on television channels throughout Pakistan.
Malala knew her words would anger the Taliban. But she decided that she would not stay quiet even if it made her a target.

First Read (Think Aloud)
Both Malala and Rebeca Gyumi had supportive families at home. Both families cared about making sure their daughters had good educations.

In Tanzania, the early marriage age meant girls often dropped out of school early. In Pakistan, the Taliban made a law to keep girls out of school altogether. I make the connection that around the world, there are laws that might make it difficult for girls to go to school.

I make the connection that all around the world, many clever girls have to leave school because of gender discrimination.

Even though both Rebeca and Malala were able to keep learning, not all of the girls around them had the same opportunities as they did.

Both Rebeca and Malala spoke out for what they believed in. They both fought for girls to have access to education.

| Text | First Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Malala continued to speak out for her right to an <br> education. She wrote a blog, so that people all <br> across the world could understand her struggle. <br> She also appeared on television. | There were people who wanted both Rebeca <br> and Malala to stop speaking up, but they kept <br> fighting anyway. |
| 'How can you let Malala speak on television |  |
| about girls' education?' one of the neighbours |  |
| whispered to Ziauddin. |  |

## Follow up questions

Where was Malala born？
Why did Malala have to stop going to school？

## Why question

Why was Malala a target for the Taliban？

## Possible responses

She was born in Mingora，Pakistan．
－She had to stop going to school because school was forbidden for girls．
－She had to stop going to school when the Taliban took over，because they forbid girls from going to school．

## Possible responses

－Because she spoke out about her right to have an education．
－Because she was in the newspaper and on TV speaking about the importance of girls＇ education．
－Because the Taliban forbid girls from going to school，and Malala disagreed with them．
－Because of gender discrimination．

## GROUPS：

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1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 2.
2 Explain Tuesday Activity 1 to the whole class．
3 Call the first group to work with you．
4 After 15 minutes，send the group back to their seats．
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity．
6 Explain Tuesday Activity 2 to the whole class．
7 Call the second group to work with you．
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to，and what they read．
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities．

## Wednesday

## $\infty$

 Oral Activities 15 minutes
## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- journalist
- audience
- target

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| I'm giving all I have to my school work, | Put your hands on your chest |
| Because my education is important, can't you <br> see? | Open your hands in front of you like a book |
| I have a master plan to reach my goals | Put your index finger on the side of your head |
| My success depends on me! | Point to yourself |

## CREATIVE STORYTELLING

1 Divide learners into their small groups.
2 Hand each group a copy of the creative storytelling pictures.
3 Remind learners that last week, they made up their own stories around the pictures.
4 This week, learners must work as a group to decide on a group story.
5 Remind learners that their story should be creative, but also must fit with the pictures!
6 Call the class to attention.
7 Ask 1-2 different groups to share their group stories.
8 Thank learners for sharing their stories.


## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

Revise Sounds, Blending And Segmenting
I DO...
1 Say the sound: ue
2 Say the word: clue
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /c/-/l/-/ue/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /c/
5 Say the second sound of the word: /l/
6 Say the last sound of the word: /ue/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: clue
8 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /c/-/l/-/ue/ = clue

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: ue
2 Say the word: glue
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /g/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /l/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /ue/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /g/-/l/-/ue/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: glue
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /g/-/l/-/ue/ = glue

## YOU DO...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: ue words.
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-5 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 glue
2 clue
3 sue
4 blue
5 true
4 Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.
5 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
6 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
7 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
$\qquad$

## Handwriting:

## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letter(s) in cursive: ue
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
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ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME
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## ER

Writing:
30 minutes
Publish And Present

TOPIC: Write two paragraphs about your dreams and goals for the future.
TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

## WRITING FRAME:

## Paragraph 1

My dream is to...
This is my dream because...
When I imagine...I...
I feel...

## Paragraph 2

My plan to reach my goal is...
I will need to...
I think it will be...
When I finally reach my goal, I think...
PREPARATION: Before the writing lesson, write the edited draft you made on Monday on the chalkboard.

## MODELLING THE PUBLISHING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Remind learners that on Monday you used the editing checklist to edit your drafts.
2 Next, tell learners that today we will publish and present our final piece of writing.
3 Show learners how you rewrite your own piece of writing, with a title and date.

## LEARNERS COMPLETE THE PUBLISHING PROCESS (YOU DO)

1 Hand out learners' exercise books.
2 Instruct learners to write the date and heading: ...'s dreams and goals (remind learners that we use's to show ownership)
3 Tell learners to neatly rewrite their final piece of writing, with no mistakes.
4 If learners have time, they can draw a quick illustration.
5 As learners write, walk around the classroom and help learners who are struggling.

## LEARNERS PRESENT THEIR WRITING

1 In the last five minutes of the lesson, tell learners to put down their pens and pencils.
2 Tell learners to Turn and Talk and read their writing to a partner.
3 Once learners have done this, call on one or two learners to read their writing to the class.
4 Display learners' writing at eye-level to allow them to read each other's writing.

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Bantiós dreams and goals

My dream is to become a doctor.
This is my dream because I want to kelp people who are sick
When I imagine being a doctor, I think about a hospital filled with people needing my kelp.
I feel very excited to become the best doctor one day.

My plan to reach ny goal is to go to university to study medicine.
I will need to work very hard in school so that I can go to university.
I think it will be exciting but very hard work. I will be tired.
Liken I finally reach ny goal, I think my family will be so r proud of ne and I will be very excited.


## Group Guided Reading

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 2.
2 Explain Wednesday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
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## Thursday

I DO...
1 Explain that today, we will practise looking for small differences in words. This helps us to be better readers.
2 Write these two words on the chalkboard: term, germ
3 Model finding the difference for learners, like: term, germ
4 Explain the difference, like: the /t/ and /g/sounds are different, but everything else in the word is the same!

## WE DO...

PART 1
1 Write these two words on the chalkboard: glue, blue
2 Ask learners: what is the difference between these two words?
3 Call on a learner to come and underline the difference between the two words, like: glue, blue
4 Explain the difference between the two words.

## PART 2

1 Next, write this word on the chalkboard: glue
2 Ask learners: What is one sound you could swop in this word to make it into a different word?
3 Write a list of learners' ideas on the chalkboard, like: glue, clue, sue, blue, true, argue

## YOU DO...

1 Write this word on the chalkboard: term
2 Instruct learners to make as many other words as they can, replacing only one sound in the word.
3 At the end of the call on learners to come up to the chalkboard and write one of their words.
4 Go through the words and explain which sound has been swopped.

## germ, perm

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Shared Reading:

## Second Read

## READING STRATEGIES: MAKE CONNECTIONS

| Text | Second Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Malala's fight for education | I remember that not all people think girls <br> deserve an education. When people think girls <br> and boys should be treated differently, that is |
| 130 million girls are out of school because of <br> gender discrimination? Malala Yousafzai has <br> cedicated her life to helping girls all around the gender discrimination. Let's think more <br> world to access education. | about that as we read today. |
| Malala was born in Mingora, Pakistan on July 12, <br> 1997. | I see gender discrimination here, because <br> Ziauddin's neighbours felt sorry for him for <br> having a baby girl instead of a baby boy! |
| IIf only she were a boy!' one of the neighbours |  |
| said to Ziauddin, Malala's father. |  |$\quad$| 'What will you do with a girl? - she will never |
| :--- |
| bring you good fortune!' said another, shaking |
| her head. |$\quad$| I will give little Malala every opportunity a boy |
| :--- |
| would have,' her father responded, looking into |
| the big eyes of his baby girl. |

## Text

But everything changed when the Taliban took over the village. Life changed in many ways. Owning a television was banned. Playing music was banned. And it was forbidden for girls to go to school.

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Malala knew her words would anger the Taliban. But she decided that she would not stay quiet even if it made her a target.

Malala continued to speak out for her right to an education. She wrote a blog, so that people all across the world could understand her struggle. She also appeared on television.
'How can you let Malala speak on television about girls' education?' one of the neighbours whispered to Ziauddin.
'Just follow the Taliban's rules!' scolded another, shaking her head.
II have given Malala the same opportunities as boys and now, she is speaking up for herself,' her father responded proudly.
As Malala became more recognised, she became a target and received many death threats. Malala felt scared, but her fear did not stop her from speaking out on behalf of girls.

## Second Read (Think Aloud)

I learn that the Taliban discriminates against girls, because it bans girls from school. They must think that school is only for boys. That is gender discrimination.

The girls in Tanzania stopped going to school because of early marriage, but the girls in Pakistan were forced to stop going to school for their own safety. They were dealing with gender discrimination in different ways.

I learn that even though gender discrimination exists everywhere, some families choose to treat their girls equally to boys.

Rebeca and Malala both want to fight gender discrimination. I think there must be lots of girls all over the world fighting for girls to be treated equally to boys.

## Text

In October 2012, on her way home from taking an exam, a masked gunman climbed on to Malala's bus. 'Who is Malala?' he asked. Then, he shot Malala on the left side of her head.

Malala was seriously wounded but she was still alive. She was airlifted from one military hospital in Pakistan to another, and was later flown to the UK for treatment.
When the Taliban found out that Malala had survived, they released a statement saying that they would target her again if she came back to Pakistan.

But Malala also received wonderful messages from around the world.
'Thank you for championing the education of girls,' one letter read.
'You have shown the world just how much some girls struggle to get an education. Thank you for helping to change the world,' a Facebook message read.
'It is my job to make sure all girls have every opportunity that boys have,' Malala decided.
When she was just 17 years old, Malala received the Nobel Peace Prize. She was the youngest winner ever! Malala continues to work to create a world where all girls can learn and lead.

## Follow up questions

What is gender discrimination?

How would you feel if someone discriminated against you because of your gender?

## Why question

Why did both Rebeca Gyumi and Malala Yousafzai devote their lives to fighting for girls' education?

## Second Read (Think Aloud)

Gender discrimination is very serious. It caused Malala to almost be killed. I think this is a problem we should all be fighting against!

Malala and Rebeca are both examples that when we see something wrong, it is important to speak up and to fight for what is right.

I think Rebeca and Malala both want to make the world better by fighting against gender discrimination.

## Responses

Gender discrimination is when boys and girls are treated differently / are not given the same opportunities.
I would feel...because...

## Possible responses

- Because they both believed that girls should have the same opportunities as boys.
- Because they both grew up in families that did not discriminate against them - they wanted all girls to be treated like them.
- Because education was so important for both of them, they wanted to make sure all other girls could have educations too.


## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS：

$\qquad$
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5 Do a Reading Transition Activity．
6 Explain Thursday Activity 2 to the whole class．
7 Call the second group to work with you．
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## Friday

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- threat
- survive
- wounded

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| I'm giving all I have to my school work, | Put your hands on your chest |
| Because my education is important, can't you <br> see? | Open your hands in front of you like a book |
| I have a master plan to reach my goals | Put your index finger on the side of your head |
| My success depends on me! | Point to yourself |

## DISCUSSION OF SHARED READING TEXT

1 Write the discussion frame on the chalkboard:
This story is about...
One thing I learnt from the story was...
I think Malala is...because...
2 Read the discussion frame to learners.
3 Put the learners into their small groups.
4 Tell learners that everyone must take a turn to answer each discussion question.
5 Call the class to attention.
6 Ask different learners or a specific group to share their answers.
7 If answers are incorrect, correct them.
8 Thank learners for their contributions.

## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

Word Find
Write the table on the chalkboard that includes previously learnt sounds as well as the sounds taught on Tuesday and Wednesday.

| er | ue | m |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{t}$ | g | b |
| h | v | d |
| l | c | $\mathbf{s}$ |
| r | a | e |

## MODEL

1 Remind learners of the sounds of the week: /er/ and /ue/
2 Review all of the sounds and blends on the chalkboard.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to make as many words as they can using the sounds and blends above.
4 Show learners how to make a word using a target sound, like: /b/-/l/-/ue/ = blue
5 Remind learners they can make a word using any of the sounds - they do not need to use /er/ or /ue/
6 Show learners how to make another word, like: $/ \mathbf{c} /-/ \mathbf{a} /-/ \mathbf{t} /=$ cat

## LEARNERS DO

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the heading: er, ue
2 Instruct learners to begin writing.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to find and build as many words as they can.
4 Allow learners to correct their own work. Show learners how to build these words (and others):
her, term, verb, germ, herd, herb, glue, clue, sue, blue, true, cat, hat, chase, race, gate, head

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
$\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Post-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: SUMMARISE / SEARCH THE TEXT

## WRITTEN COMPREHENSION

1 Before the lesson begins, write the following heading, questions and sentence starters on the board.
2 Read through the questions with learners, and explain them if necessary.
3 Tell learners to turn and talk and discuss these questions with a partner.
4 Then, learners must open their exercise books, write the date and heading, and write the answers to the questions.
5 In the last five minutes of the lesson, go through the answers with learners, and allow them to correct their own work.

## MALALA'S FIGHT FOR EDUCATION

1 Where was Malala born?
Malala was born...
2 How old was Malala when she won the Nobel Peace Prize?
Malala was... when she won the Nobel Peace Prize
3 Why was Malala shot?
Malala was shot because...

MALALA'S FIGHT FOR EDUCATION - ANSWERS
1 Where was Malala born?
Malala was born in Mingora, Pakistan
2 How old was Malala when she won the Nobel Peace Prize?
Malala was just seventeen years old when she won the Nobel Peace Prize
3 Why was Malala shot?
Malala was shot because she fought against the Taliban and spoke out about her education.

## Group Guided Reading

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 2.
2 Explain Friday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Friday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## End of week language learning review

1 Settle learners on the carpet at the end of the day.
2 Conduct the weekly language review session. You may choose to combine HL and FAL learning in this review.
3 Remember to allow learners to 'Turn and Talk' and discuss their answers with a partner. Then, select a few learners to share their answers with the class.
4 Use the following prompting questions to guide the language part of your discussion:
a What was our language theme for the week?
b Which stories did we read together?
c What were your favourite new words of the week?
d What did you learn from the stories we read?
e What did we write about this week?
f How did your own writing improve this week?
$g$ How did your own reading improve this week?
h What are you most proud of this week?
5 Finally, tell learners to think about two things that they are going to tell their families about what they learnt or how they improved at school this week.

Please note: This process of self review and reflection is a critically important part of learning. Please do not skip this weekly activity.


# Grade 3 TERM 4 Meek <br>  <br> THEME: Feeling calm and relaxed 

## 阴目 Classroom Preparation

1 At the start of each week，ensure that your classroom is neat and tidy．
2 Update your DISPLAY BOARDS，by removing items that are no longer relevant，and storing them carefully．
3 Then，prepare the flashcard words and theme word illustrations that you will need．
4 Find and prepare items for your theme wall and table that will be of interest to learners， for instance：bring photographs of people meditating and doing yoga；ask learners to draw pictures of something that makes them feel calm and relaxed and display these on the table
5 Do some research on the internet to prepare for the theme．For example：Short guided meditations for children
6 Make sure all learner exercise books and DBE Workbooks are marked，and neatly packed where they belong．
7 Make sure all your big books，graded readers and classroom library books are in good order．
8 Adjust your group guided reading groups if necessary．
9 Plan your informal and formal assessment activities for the week．

## Extension Activities

These activities can be used as independent work for learners who finish their work early
OR while you are giving assessments to learners．
Activity 1：DBE Workbook 2：Page 78，Let＇s read
Activity 2：DBE Workbook 2：Page 79 －80，Let＇s write
Activity 3：DBE Workbook 2：Page 81，Let＇s write
Activity 4：Write a diary entry about a time you didn＇t feel calm－what caused you to feel that way？

## Monday

## INTRODUCE THE THEME: ACCESSING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

1 Show learners the picture of Zandile meditating in the Big Book story: Zandile learns to meditate
2 Tell learners that we are starting a new theme called: Feeling calm and relaxed
3 Draw a circle with the name of the theme in the middle of the chalkboard.
4 Ask learners: What do you already know about this theme?
5 Write down learners' ideas around the mind map. Group similar ideas together.
6 If learners struggle to respond, ask the following prompting questions:
a What does it feel like when you are not calm?
b What do you do to feel calm?
c What makes you feel relaxed?

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- calm
- relaxed
- meditate

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| Let's meditate together | Join hands with the people next to you |
| Together, together |  |
| Let's meditate together |  |
| So we can be calm | Put hands up, palms together in meditation <br> position (as if you're saying please) |
| Let's hold up our hands | Close eyes |
| And close our eyes | Let your lips and teeth vibrate on the 'mmm' sound |
| Let's all say 'Ommm' | - |
| And empty our minds |  |

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the date and heading Singular to Plural Sentences.
2 Next tell learners to write numbers 1-5 in the margin, skipping lines between numbers.
3 Call out the singular sentences as follows. Learners must write these sentences next to the correct number:

## Singular to Plural Sentences

1 I will pack this box.
2 I will wash this glass.
3 People lie on the beach.
4 I have a brush to brush my hair.
5 I broke the dish.
4 Next, instruct learners to rewrite the sentences as plurals, on the line below.
5 In the last five minutes of the lesson, correctly write the sentences on the chalkboard, saying the sounds and describing the cursive writing process as you do this.
6 Then, ask learners to point out any patterns they can see, like: where words change.
7 Underline these patterns, like:

## Singular to Plural Sentences

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I will pack these boxes.
2 I will wash this glass.
I will wash these glasses.
3 People lie on the beach.
People lie on beaches.
4 I have a brush to brush my hair.
I have brushes to brush my hair.
5 I broke the dish.
I broke the dishes.
8 Tell learners to think about these patterns when they are reading or writing.
9 Instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.

## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Pre-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: PREDICT

1 Settle learners on the carpet or so that they can see the Big Book.
2 Open the Big Book to the story: Zandile learns to meditate
3 Do a picture walk of every page, asking learners what they think is happening.
4 Help learners to connect the pictures, so that they have a good sense of what the story is about.
5 Introduce new vocabulary at relevant parts of the story.
6 Read the story through once, without stopping.

## Plan And Draft

TOPIC: Write a letter to a friend or relative about feeling calm and relaxed. The first paragraph will be about things that make you feel calm and relaxed. The second paragraph will be about a time you felt angry or upset, and how you calmed yourself down.

TASK: Write at least 12 sentences organised into two paragraphs.
PLANNING STRATEGY: Write a list

## INTRODUCE THE WRITING TOPIC.

1 Show learners that you think before you write.
2 Orally, explain your ideas for your letter, like:
I love to go for long walks when I feel upset. Long walks make me feel calm and relaxed. I will definitely put that in my letter!

## MODELLING THE PLANNING STRATEGY (I DO)

1 Have the planning frame written on one side of the chalkboard.
2 Show learners how you make a list by answering the questions.
3 Complete the plan on the other side of the chalkboard.

| Planning Questions | Plan |
| :---: | :---: |
| Paragraph 1 | Paragraph 1 |
| 1 What makes you feel calm and relaxed? | 1 Long walks, reading books, gardening |
| 2 Why do these make you feel calm and relaxed? | 2 Long walks - nature clears my head; reading is like going to a different world; gardening - |
| 3 Is there anything you think could make you feel calm and relaxed but you haven't tried yet? | nature and doing something with my hands. <br> 3 Maybe meditation? <br> 4 Do you do any of the same activities as me to |
| 4 What question can you ask your friend / relative about this topic? | feel calm and relaxed? Paragraph 2 |
| Paragraph 2 | 1 \| felt ups |
| 1 When was a time you felt upset or angry? | mother |
| 2 What did you do to calm yourself down? | 2 I went for a long walk to clear my head. |
| 3 Do you think you did a good job? Why or why not? | 3 Yes, I went for a walk rather than yelling. <br> 4 Nothing. |
| 4 What would you do differently in the future? | 5 That when I feel angry walking can help clear |
| 5 What lessons from paragraph 1 could you use to help you now? | my head and make sure I don't say anything I regret later. |
| 6 What question can you ask your friend / relative about this topic? | 6 What would you do to calm yourself down if you got into a fight with your mother? |

## LEARNERS USE THE PLANNING STRATEGY (YOU DO)

1 Tell learners to close their eyes and think of feeling calm and relaxed.
2 Next, tell learners to turn and talk with a partner, to share their stories.
3 Show learners the planning frame on the chalkboard, and tell them to use this frame to plan their writing, just like you did.
4 Hand out exercise books.
5 Tell learners they must write their own ideas - they must not copy your plan.
6 As learners work, walk around the room and hold mini-conferences.

Elan
Paragraph 1

1. Sitting quietly in my room, talking to my friend
2. Sitting in ny room - I can sit calmly and breathe
3. Talking to ny friend - We make each other laugh
4. Maybe going for a walk?
5. What do you do to feel calm and relaxed?

Paragraph 2

1. I felt upset when $I$ got into a fight with my sister.
2. I vat in my room and calmed down.
3. Yea, I sat on my own and I didn't shout.
4. Nothing.
5. That when I feel angry getting way from the person I am angry with is better than having a big fight.
6. What would you do to calm yourself down if you got into a fight with your sister?

## Group Guided Reading

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 3.
2 Explain Monday Activity $\mathbf{1}$ to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Monday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Tuesday

I DO...
1 Say the sound: wr
2 Say the word: wrap
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /wr/-/a/-/p/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /wr/
5 Say the second sound of the word: /a/
6 Say the last single sound of the word: /p/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: wrap
8 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /wr/-/a/-/p/ = wrap

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: wr
2 Say the word: wreck
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /wr/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /e/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /ck/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /wr/-/e/-/ck/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: wreck
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /wr/-/e/-/ck/ = wreck

YOU DO...
1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: wr words
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-6 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 write
2 wrote
3 wrong
4 wrap
5 wrist
6 wreck
4 Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.
5 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.

6 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
7 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sounds: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
$\qquad$

## Handwriting:

## Write letters) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letters) in cursive: mr
2 Model writing the letters) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letters) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letters) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letters) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.


## 葉-nurist -.................................... <br> 彩-I wroter a note on my wurist.

## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## First Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGIES: MAKE INFERENCES

## Text <br> Zandile learns to meditate <br> Zandile woke up early. It was still dark inside the house. She took her book and went outside. <br> Zandile sat down and began to read. <br> But then, she heard a strange noise. She stood on her chair, and looked over the fence. She saw Mr and Mrs Kapoor sitting on the ground. They were making a low humming sound. <br> 'What are they doing?' wondered Zandile.

That day at school, Zandile saw Geeta on the swings. II saw your parents sitting on the ground this morning,' Zandile said. 'Why were they doing that? It was weird!'
'It's not weird!' Geeta said. It's just meditation!'
'What is meditation?' Zandile asked.
You meditate to feel calm and to clear your head,' Geeta replied.
That afternoon, when Zandile got home she went to the backyard. She sat on the ground. She crossed her legs. She made a low humming sound, 'Ommm. Ommm.'
But, she didn't feel calm.
'I wonder how this works?' Zandile wondered.
The next day, Zandile found Geeta. 'I tried to meditate,' Zandile said. 'But it didn't work! I didn't feel calm.'

Geeta laughed. 'You did it wrong!'
'What do you mean?' Zandile asked, her face feeling hot. 'How do you know?'
Geeta's cheeks turned red. 'Um, I saw you, over the fence.'

Zandile and Geeta both started laughing. 'Come to my house after school,' said Geeta. 'I'm sure my dad will show you what to do.'

After school, Zandile put down her school bag at home. Then, she went next door. She knocked on the Kapoor's door.

## First Read (Think Aloud)

I can infer that Zandile must have woken up very early because it is still dark inside her house.
| infer that Zandile looks over the fence to find out where the strange noise is coming from!

Zandile saw Geeta's parents, so I can infer that Geeta is Zandile's neighbour.

Zandile is doing all the things she saw Geeta's parents do. I can infer that she is trying to meditate too!

## I can infer that Zandile didn't know that

 Geeta saw her trying to meditate! Look at her face in the picture! I can infer that she feels embarrassed when she learns that Geeta was watching her!I can infer that Zandile must really want to learn how to meditate, because she goes to the Kapoor's house for help!


## Follow up questions

Who are Zandile's neighbours?
What did Zandile want to learn how to do?
What must she do to meditate?

## Why question

Why did Zandile go to the Kapoor's house?

## Possible responses

The Kapoors. Geeta and her parents.
She wanted to learn how to meditate.
She must sit correctly. She must put her hands in the right place. She must take slow, deep, breaths. She must close her eyes and think about her breath.

## Possible response

- Because she wants to learn how to meditate.
- Because Geeta told her she could come to learn.
- Maybe she really wants a way to feel calm.

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 3.
2 Explain Tuesday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Tuesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Wednesday

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## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- fence
- peek
- weird

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| Let's meditate together | Join hands with the people next to you |
| Together, together |  |
| Let's meditate together |  |
| So we can be calm | Put hands up, palms together in meditation <br> position (as if you're saying please) |
| Let's hold up our hands | Close eyes |
| And close our eyes | Let your lips and teeth vibrate on the 'mmm' sound |
| Let's all say 'Ommm' | - |
| And empty our minds |  |

## CREATIVE STORYTELLING

1 Divide learners into their small groups.
2 Hand each group a copy of the creative storytelling pictures.
3 Tell learners to think of a story that fits with the pictures.
4 Give learners a minute or two to think about their ideas.
5 Next every learner in the group must take a turn to share their version of the story.
6 Remind learners that their story should be creative, but also must fit with the pictures!
7 Remind learners to listen carefully to each other's stories.
8 Thank learners for sharing their stories.


## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

Revise Sounds, Blending And Segmenting
I DO...
1 Say the sound: ew
2 Say the word: knew
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /kn/-/ew/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /kn/
5 Say the last sound of the word: /ew/
6 Write the word on the chalkboard: knew
7 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /kn/-/ew/ = knew

WE DO...
1 Say the sound: ew
2 Say the word: news
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /n/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /ew/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /s/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /n/-/ew/-/s/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: news
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /n/-/ew/-/s/ = news

## YOU DO...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: ew words.
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-6 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 new
2 news
3 few
4 stew
5 dew
6 knew
Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.
4 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
5 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
6 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
$\qquad$

## Handwriting:

## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letter(s) in cursive: ew
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.


# 署-knew-..................................... <br> 崖-I-knew the stew was new : 

## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sounds: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Writing:

TOPIC: Write a letter to a friend or relative about feeling calm and relaxed. The first paragraph will be about things that make you feel calm and relaxed. The second paragraph will be about a time you felt angry or upset, and how you calmed yourself down.

TASK: Write at least 12 sentences organised into two paragraphs.

## WRITING FRAME:

Dear ...
I am writing to tell you about...
I feel calm and relaxed when...(Write 2-3 sentences about this) I would like to try....
(Ask a question to the person you are writing to!)
One time...
I felt...
I decided to...
I think I did / did not do a good job because...
Next time...
(Ask a question to the person you are writing to!)
Please write back soon!
Love

PREPARATION: Before the writing lesson, write the plan you made on Monday on the chalkboard.

## MODELLING THE DRAFTING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Remind learners of the plan that you made on Monday.
2 Read through your plan that is written on the chalkboard.
3 Next, read through the writing frame with learners.
4 Model how you will complete the writing frame using your own plan, like:

## Dear Mbali

I am writing to tell you about feeling calm and relaxed, which we have just been discussing at school. I feel calm and relaxed when I take long walks, because I love
nature. Taking long walks clears my head and helps me think. I feel calm and relaxed when I work in my garden. I love gardening because I get to dig in the soil and imagine my plants growing. I would like to try meditating because we just read about it at school. What do you do to feel calm and relaxed?
One time I got into a fight with my mother. I felt so angry. I decided to calm down by going for a long walk, which made me feel much better. I think I did a good job because my walk calmed me down. I didn't yell at my mother. When I returned, we had a conversation and sorted out the problem. Next time I fight with anyone, I will try to make sure I go for a walk rather than yelling. What would you do to calm yourself down if you got into a fight with your mother?
Please write back soon!
Love
Catherine

## LEARNERS COMPLETE THE DRAFTING PROCESS (YOU DO)

1 Hand out learners' exercise books.
2 Instruct learners to write the date and heading: A letter about feeling calm and relaxed: Draft
3 Tell learners to find their plan from Monday and think about their ideas.
4 Tell learners to complete the writing frame using their plans.
5 Tell learners that they can add more sentences or details if they have time.
6 Remind learners of the strategies they can use to help them.
7 As learners write, walk around the classroom and help learners who are struggling.

A letter about feeling calm and relaxed: Draft
Dear Mary
I am riting to tell you about feeling calm and relaxed, which we have just been learning about at skool. I feel calm and relaxed when I sitquiatly in my room by myself. Sitting on my own helps me stay calm and brethe. I feel calm and relaxed when I talk tor my friends becus we laugh and make each other kappy. I would like to try talking a walk because my teecher says that helps her. What do you do to feel calm and relaxed?

Ane time I goit intor a fight with my sista. I felt sor upset. I decided to calm down by going into my room and sit quiatly. I think I did a good job becus this calmed me down. I didn't shout at my sista. Mext time I fight with anyone, I will try tor make sure I go walk away and sit quiatly by myself rather than hauing a big fight. What would you dor to calm yourself down if you got intor a fight with your sista?

Hlease write back soon!
Love
Mavis

## Group Guided Reading

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 3.
2 Explain Wednesday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Wednesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Thursday

I DO...
1 Explain that today, we will practise looking for small differences in words. This helps us to be better readers.
2 Write these two words on the chalkboard: few, dew
3 Model finding the difference for learners, like: $\underline{\text { few, dew }}$
4 Explain the difference, like: the /f/ and /d/sounds are different, but everything else in the word is the same!

## WE DO...

PART 1
1 Write these two words on the chalkboard: stew, knew
2 Ask learners: what is the difference between these two words?
3 Call on a learner to come and underline the difference between the two words, like: stew, knew
4 Explain the difference between the two words.

## PART 2

1 Next, write this word on the chalkboard: wrap
2 Ask learners: What is one sound you could swop in this word to make it into a different word?
3 Write a list of learners' ideas on the chalkboard, like: strap, cap, sap, map, chap

## YOU DO...

1 Write this word on the chalkboard: wreck
2 Instruct learners to make as many other words as they can, replacing only one sound in the word.
3 At the end of the call on learners to come up to the chalkboard and write one of their words.
4 Go through the words and explain which sound has been swopped. neck, deck, peck, check, speck

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Second Read

## READING STRATEGIES: MAKE INFERENCES


#### Abstract

Text

\section*{Zandile learns to meditate}

Zandile woke up early. It was still dark inside the house. She took her book and went outside.

Zandile sat down and began to read. But then, she heard a strange noise. She stood on her chair, and looked over the fence. She saw Mr and Mrs Kapoor sitting on the ground. They were making a low humming sound. 'What are they doing?' wondered Zandile.


That day at school, Zandile saw Geeta on the swings. II saw your parents sitting on the ground this morning,' Zandile said. 'Why were they doing that? It was weird!'
'It's not weird!' Geeta said. 'It's just meditation!'
'What is meditation?' Zandile asked.
You meditate to feel calm and to clear your head,' Geeta replied.

That afternoon, when Zandile got home she went to the backyard. She sat on the ground. She crossed her legs. She made a low humming sound, 'Ommm. Ommm.'

But, she didn't feel calm.
'I wonder how this works?' Zandile wondered.
The next day, Zandile found Geeta. 'I tried to meditate,' Zandile said. 'But it didn't work! I didn't feel calm.'
Geeta laughed. 'You did it wrong!'
'What do you mean?' Zandile asked, her face feeling hot. 'How do you know?'

## Second Read (Think Aloud)

I wonder why Zandile is awake so early? Maybe she can't sleep because she is feeling worried about something!

Zandile wonders what the Kapoors are doing, so I can infer that this is the first time she has ever seen anyone meditating.

I wonder why Zandile says 'it was weird'? Oh, I infer that she thinks what she saw was weird because it was her first time to see people meditating. I know that sometimes people think things are weird when they have never seen them before.

Zandile decided she wanted to try meditating after she spoke with Geeta about it. I can infer that Zandile might be looking for a way to feel calm.

When Zandile's cheeks feel hot, I can infer that she feels embarrassed. She feels embarrassed because she didn't know anyone was watching her when she tried to meditate, and she didn't quite know what to do!

| Text | Second Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Geeta's cheeks turned red. 'Um, I saw you, over <br> the fence.' |  |
| Zandile and Geeta both started laughing. 'Come |  |
| to my house after school,' said Geeta. 'I'm sure |  |
| my dad will show you what to do.' |  |

## Follow up questions

What did Zandile see when she peeked over the fence?

What did Geeta see when she peeked over the fence?

How did Zandile feel when she found out that Geeta saw her?

## Why question

Why does Zandile need to practise meditating?

## Responses

She saw the Kapoors (Geeta's parents) meditating in the backyard.
She saw Zandile trying to meditate.

- She might have felt embarrassed.
- She might have felt surprised.


## Possible response

- Because meditation takes practise.
- Because she really wants to learn how to meditate.
- Because she is still learning. Meditation is difficult.
- Because when she tries, she doesn't feel calm.
- Because she wants to practise enough to feel calm.

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 3.
2 Explain Thursday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Thursday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Friday

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- data
- click
- scroll

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| Let's meditate together | Join hands with the people next to you |
| Together, together |  |
| Let's meditate together |  |
| So we can be calm | Put hands up, palms together in meditation <br> position (as if you're saying please) |
| Let's hold up our hands | Close eyes |
| And close our eyes | Let your lips and teeth vibrate on the 'mmm' sound |
| Let's all say 'Ommm' | - |
| And empty our minds |  |

## DISCUSSION OF SHARED READING TEXT

1 Write the discussion frame on the chalkboard:
In this story...
I liked when...
This story is related to the theme of 'Feeling calm and relaxed' because...
2 Read the discussion frame to learners.
3 Put the learners into their small groups.
4 Tell learners that everyone must take a turn to answer each discussion question.
5 Call the class to attention.
6 Ask different learners or a specific group to share their answers.
7 If answers are incorrect, correct them.
8 Thank learners for their contributions.

## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

Word Find
Write the table on the chalkboard that includes previously learnt sounds as well as the sounds taught on Tuesday and Wednesday.

| wr | ew | o |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{e}$ | $\mathbf{t}$ | $\mathbf{n}$ |
| $\mathbf{g}$ | $\mathbf{i}$ | $\mathbf{s}$ |
| $\mathbf{a}$ | $\mathbf{p}$ | $\mathbf{f}$ |
| $\mathbf{d}$ | $\mathbf{k}$ | $\mathbf{c k}$ |

## MODEL

1 Remind learners of the sounds of the week: /wr/ and /ew/
2 Review all of the sounds and blends on the chalkboard.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to make as many words as they can using the sounds and blends above.
4 Show learners how to make a word using a target sound, like: /f/-/ew/ = few
5 Remind learners they can make a word using any of the sounds - they do not need to use /wr/ or /ew/
6 Show learners how to make another word, like: /s/-/i/-/ck/ = sick

## LEARNERS DO

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the heading: wr, ew
2 Instruct learners to begin writing.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to find and build as many words as they can.
4 Allow learners to correct their own work. Show learners how to build these words (and others):
write, wrote, wrong, wrap, wrist, wreck, new, news, few, stew, dew, knew, sick, pack, tag, goat, note

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Post-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: SUMMARISE / SEARCH THE TEXT

## WRITTEN COMPREHENSION

1 Before the lesson begins, write the following heading, questions and sentence starters on the board.
2 Read through the questions with learners, and explain them if necessary.
3 Tell learners to turn and talk and discuss these questions with a partner.
4 Then, learners must open their exercise books, write the date and heading, and write the answers to the questions.
5 In the last five minutes of the lesson, go through the answers with learners, and allow them to correct their own work.

## ZANDILE LEARNS TO MEDITATE

1 What did Zandile see when she peeked over the fence?
Zandile saw...
2 Who lives next door to Zandile?
...lives next door to Zandile.
3 Why did Zandile want to learn how to meditate?
Zandile wants to learn how to meditate because...
ZANDILE LEARNS TO MEDITATE - ANSWERS
1 What did Zandile see when she peeked over the fence?
Zandile saw Mr and Mrs Kapoor meditating.
2 Who lives next door to Zandile?
Geeta / The Kapoors lives next door to Zandile.
3 Why did Zandile want to learn how to meditate?
Zandile wants to learn how to meditate because she wants to feel calm.

## Group Guided Reading

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 3.
2 Explain Friday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Friday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## End of week language learning review

1 Settle learners on the carpet at the end of the day.
2 Conduct the weekly language review session. You may choose to combine HL and FAL learning in this review.
3 Remember to allow learners to 'Turn and Talk' and discuss their answers with a partner. Then, select a few learners to share their answers with the class.
4 Use the following prompting questions to guide the language part of your discussion:
a What was our language theme for the week?
b Which stories did we read together?
c What were your favourite new words of the week?
d What did you learn from the stories we read?
e What did we write about this week?
f How did your own writing improve this week?
$g$ How did your own reading improve this week?
$h$ What are you most proud of this week?
5 Finally, tell learners to think about two things that they are going to tell their families about what they learnt or how they improved at school this week.

Please note: This process of self review and reflection is a critically important part of learning. Please do not skip this weekly activity.

## Grade 3 TERM 4 Meek <br> 

# THEME: Feeling calm and relaxed 

## 阴目 Classroom Preparation

1 At the start of each week, ensure that your classroom is neat and tidy.
2 Update your DISPLAY BOARDS, by removing items that are no longer relevant, and storing them carefully.
3 Then, prepare the flashcard words and theme word illustrations that you will need.
4 Add items for your theme wall and table that will be of interest to learners, for instance: pictures of therapists, psychologists and mental health providers
5 Do some research on the internet to prepare for the theme. For example: places in your community that provide mental health services
6 Make sure all learner exercise books and DBE Workbooks are marked, and neatly packed where they belong.
7 Make sure all your big books, graded readers and classroom library books are in good order.

## Extension Activities

These activities can be used as independent work for learners who finish their work early
OR while you are giving assessments to learners.
Activity 1: DBE Workbook 2: Page 82, Let's read
Activity 2: DBE Workbook 2: Page 83, Let's write
Activity 3: DBE Workbook 2: Page $84-85$, Let's write
Activity 4: Write a diary entry about a time you talked to someone in order to feel better.

## Monday

## RECAP THE THEME: ACCESSING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

1 Show learners the front cover of the Big Book story: Munene gets help
2 Tell learners that we are continuing our theme: Feeling calm and relaxed
3 Draw a circle with the name of the theme in the middle of the chalkboard.
4 Ask learners: What have you learned about this theme so far?
5 Write down learners' ideas around the mind map. Group similar ideas together.
6 If learners struggle to respond, ask the following prompting questions:
a Why do people meditate?
b Why is it important to have strategies to feel calm?
c Who can you ask for help if you don't feel calm and relaxed?

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- environment
- depressed
- psychologist

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| Let's meditate together | Join hands with the people next to you |
| Together, together |  |
| Let's meditate together |  |
| So we can be calm | Put hands up, palms together in meditation <br> position (as if you're saying please) |
| Let's hold up our hands | Close eyes |
| And close our eyes | Let your lips and teeth vibrate on the 'mmm' sound |
| Let's all say 'Ommm' | - |
| And empty our minds |  |

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the date.
2 Next tell learners to number from 1-5 in the margin.
3 Write the following sentence on the chalkboard next to number 1: I hurt myself when I fell.
4 Next, write the following pronouns (subject morphemes) next to numbers 2-5:
2 They
3 We
4 He
5 She
5 Tell learners to rewrite sentence starting with the word provided.
6 In the last five minutes, correctly write the sentences on the chalkboard, saying the sounds and describing the cursive writing process as you do this.
7 Then, ask learners to point out any patterns they can see, like: where the sentence changes.
8 Underline any patterns, like:
1 I hurt myself when I fell.
2 They hurt themselves when they fell.
3 We hurt ourselves when we fell.
4 He hurt himself when he fell.
5 She hurt herself when she fell.
9 Instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.

## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$


Shared Reading:

## Pre-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: PREDICT

1 Settle learners on the carpet or so that they can see the Big Book.
2 Open the Big Book to the story: Munene gets help
3 Do a picture walk of every page, asking learners what they think is happening.
4 Help learners to connect the pictures, so that they have a good sense of what the story is about.

5 Introduce new vocabulary at relevant parts of the story.
6 Read the story through once, without stopping.

## Writing:

30 minutes

## Edit

TOPIC: Write a letter to a friend or relative about feeling calm and relaxed. The first paragraph will be about things that make you feel calm and relaxed. The second paragraph will be about a time you felt angry or upset, and how you calmed yourself down.
TASK: Write at least 12 sentences organised into two paragraphs.

## PREPARATION:

- Write the editing checklist on the chalkboard before the start of the writing lesson.
- Write your draft on the chalkboard before the lesson. Include one or two mistakes.


## EDITING CHECKLIST:

1 Did I write like I am talking to someone?
2 Is my first paragraph written in the present tense?
3 Is my second paragraph written in the past tense?
4 Did I include questions to my reader?
5 Did I include greeting and closure (Dear...) (Love...)?
6 Do I have at least 12 complete sentences?
7 Did I spell all words correctly?
8 Does every sentence start with a capital letter?
9 Does every sentence end with proper punctuation?

## MODEL THE EDITING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Read the editing checklist aloud to learners.
2 Next, read your draft aloud to learners.
3 Go through the checklist, and point out whether your draft is correct, or whether you need to make corrections or improvements.
4 Model the correction process for learners.

## LEARNERS COMPLETE THE EDITING PROCESS (YOU DO)

1 Hand out exercise books.
2 Tell learners to find their draft of the writing task.
3 Next, tell learners to go through the editing checklist and make any corrections or improvements that are required.

4 As learners work, walk around the room and hold mini-conferences - ensure you work with a different group of learners for every writing task.
5 Look for any common errors in learners' writing.
6 Call learners to attention and write the commonly made errors on the chalkboard.
7 Show learners how to correct these errors.

## A letter about feeling calm and relaxed: Draft

Dear Mary,
I am siting to tell you about feeling calm and relaxed, which we have just been learning about at I feel calm and relaxed when I sit quivistly in my rom by myself. Sitting on my own helps me stay calm and breathe. I feel calm and relaxed when I talk to my friends because we lough and make each other happy. I would like to try talking a walk because my tex her says that helps her. What do you do tor feel calm and relaxed?

One time I got into a fight with my sister. I felt so upset. I decided to calm down by going into my rom and sit quiatly. I think I did a good job because this calmed me down. I didn't shout at my sister. Plext time I fight with anyone, I will try tor make sure I go walk away and sit quixtly by myself rather than hawing a big fight. What would you do to calm yourself down if you got into a fight with your oistiv?

Please write back soon!
$x \times x$
Love,
Mavis

## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

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1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 4.
2 Explain Monday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Monday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Tuesday

I DO...
1 Say the sound: c (soft c)
2 Say the word: cent
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /c/-/e/-/n/-/t/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /c/
5 Say the second sound of the word: /e/
6 Say the third sound of the word: /n/
7 Say the last single sound of the word: /t/
8 Write the word on the chalkboard: cent
9 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /c/-/e/-/n/-/t/ = cent

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: c (soft c)
2 Say the word: city
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /c/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /i/
5 Ask learners: What is the third sound in the word? /t/
6 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /y/
7 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: $/ \mathbf{c} /-/ \mathbf{i} /-/ \mathbf{t} /-/ \mathbf{y} /$
8 Write the word on the chalkboard: city
9 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: $/ \mathbf{c} /-/ \mathbf{i} /-/ \mathbf{t} /-/ \mathbf{y} /=$ city

## YOU DO...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: $\mathbf{c}$ words
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-6 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 city
2 cent
3 ice
4 nice
5 spice
6 rice
4 Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.

5 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
6 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
7 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Handwriting:

## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the upper and lower case letter(s) in cursive: Cc
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.



## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## First Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGIES: I WONDER; MAKE INFERENCES

## Text <br> Munene gets help <br> After Munene's granny died, he went to live with his Auntie Jessica in Mamelodi - far away from

 his home in Xigalo.When he arrived at his Auntie Jessica's house, nothing felt right. The house felt big and empty.

He missed the sounds of birds chirping outside his window in the morning.
He missed the squeaky, creaky old door opening and closing.

But mostly, he missed the sound of his granny's loud, deep laugh.

Munene wanted to sleep all day. He felt too tired to get out of bed.
When he arrived in his new classroom, nothing felt right. The classroom felt dark and cold.

He missed the sounds of cow bells outside the window during the school day.

He missed the sound of squeaky chalk on the blackboard.

But mostly he missed knowing his granny was at home - just a short walk away.

Thinking about school made Munene's stomach hurt. Each morning, he told Auntie Jessica that he felt too sick to go to school.

Auntie Jessica could see that something wasn't right. She tried to help Munene ease into his new environment.
'Why don't you come with me to the neighbour's house? Bokang is nine years old - just like you!' she offered, but Munene didn't feel like meeting anyone new.

I've made your favourite foods for dinner!' Auntie Jessica said, serving Munene a crispy toasted cheese sandwich.
'Thanks, but l'm just not hungry,' Munene said, pushing his plate away.

## First Read (Think Aloud)

I wonder how Munene felt when he had to move so far away from his home?

I infer that Munene is not feeling good, because he wants to stay in bed all day.

I infer that Munene is not feeling happy in his new environment - his Auntie Jessica's house doesn't feel right and his new school doesn't feel right.

Auntie Jessica infers that something isn't right with Munene because he doesn't want to get out of bed, go to school, or meet anyone new.

I infer that Auntie Jessica is doing everything she can to help Munene feel better - even making his favourite food! But nothing seems to be helping Munene feel better. I wonder what Auntie Jessica will do?

| Text | First Read (Think Aloud) |
| :---: | :---: |
| At night, Auntie Jessica heard Munene quietly crying into his pillow. 'Do you need a hug?' she asked gently, but Munene didn't want a hug from anyone but his granny. | -- |
| Auntie Jessica gave Munene time to settle in, but after a few weeks things still didn't feel right. <br> 'Munene, I am worried about you. I think you are depressed. You have experienced the death of the person you love most. You have moved across the country - away from your home and your friends. I think you need some help to feel better,' she said. <br> Munene sat quietly for a few minutes. 'Does that mean something is wrong with me?' Munene asked fearfully. <br> 'No, it doesn't,' Auntie Jessica said. 'I know that there is a negative stigma around seeing a psychologist, but it is nothing to be ashamed of. If your body feels sick, there is no shame in going to a doctor. If your mind and emotions feel sick, there shouldn't be any shame in seeing a psychologist. I see a psychologist regularly to help me feel calm and happy,' she assured him. | I infer that Munene needs help to feel better he can't just feel better all on his own. I wonder if seeing a psychologist will help Munene to feel better? |
| A few days later, Auntie Jessica brought Munene to a special clinic. They waited in the waiting room. <br> When Munene's name was called, he felt scared. 'Don't worry, I'll be here waiting,' Auntie Jessica assured him as she patted his back. |  |
| Munene walking into a small, bright office. He sat in a soft, comfortable chair. <br> 'I'm Siya,' the psychologist said, sitting across from him. 'Let's talk about how you're feeling.' <br> 'Well, I feel...' Munene began. | I infer that Munene is finally talking about his feelings. I wonder if seeing a psychologist will help Munene to feel better? |
| When the hour was up, Munene took a deep breath, and walked back to the waiting room. <br> 'So?' asked Auntie Jessica, hesitantly. 'How was that?' <br> 'Well, I don't know if I feel better yet...' said Munene, 'but I think I want to come back next week. I like Psychologist Siya - I think talking to him might help.' <br> Auntie Jessica squeezed Munene's hand and smiled. | I infer that feeling better is a process - it doesn't happen magically or after just one session with a psychologist. |

## Follow up questions

Who did Munene miss?
Where did Munene live with his granny?

## Why question

Why was Munene's Auntie Jessica worried about him?

## Possible responses

Munene missed his granny.
Munene and his granny lived in Xigalo.

## Possible responses

- She was worried because he didn't want to get out of bed
- Munene didn't want to go to school.
- Muenene didn't want to meet anyone new.
- Munene didn't want to eat his favourite food.
- Because she tried to do everything she could think of to help Munene feel better, but nothing seemed to help him.


## GROUPS:

$\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 4.
2 Explain Tuesday Activity $\mathbf{1}$ to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Tuesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Wednesday

## $D$

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- stomach ache
- exhausted
- comfortable

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| Let's meditate together | Join hands with the people next to you |
| Together, together |  |
| Let's meditate together |  |
| So we can be calm | Put hands up, palms together in meditation <br> position (as if you're saying please) |
| Let's hold up our hands | Close eyes |
| And close our eyes | Let your lips and teeth vibrate on the 'mmm' sound |
| Let's all say 'Ommm' | - |
| And empty our minds |  |

## CREATIVE STORYTELLING

1 Divide learners into their small groups.
2 Hand each group a copy of the creative storytelling pictures.
3 Remind learners that last week, they made up their own stories around the pictures.
4 This week, learners must work as a group to decide on a group story.
5 Remind learners that their story should be creative, but also must fit with the pictures!
6 Call the class to attention.
7 Ask 1-2 different groups to share their group stories.
8 Thank learners for sharing their stories.


## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

Revise Sounds, Blending And Segmenting
I DO...
1 Say the sound: aw
2 Say the word: law
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /l/-/aw/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /l/
5 Say the last sound of the word: /aw/
6 Write the word on the chalkboard: law
7 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /l/-/aw/ = law

WE DO...
1 Say the sound: aw
2 Say the word: dawn
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /d/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /aw/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /n/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /d/-/aw/-/n/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: dawn
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /d/-/aw/-/n/ = dawn

## YOU DO...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: aw words.
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-5 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 yawn
2 dawn
3 lawn
4 law
5 hawk
Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.
4 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
5 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
6 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sounds: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
$\qquad$

## Handwriting:

## Write letters) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letters) in cursive: aw
2 Model writing the letters) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letters) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letters) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letters) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.


## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Publish And Present

TOPIC: Write a letter to a friend or relative about feeling calm and relaxed. The first paragraph will be about things that make you feel calm and relaxed. The second paragraph will be about a time you felt angry or upset, and how you calmed yourself down.

TASK: Write at least 12 sentences organised into two paragraphs.

## WRITING FRAME:

Dear ...
I am writing to tell you about...
I feel calm and relaxed when...(Write 2-3 sentences about this)
I would like to try....
(Ask a question to the person you are writing to!)
One time...
I felt...
I decided to...
I think I did / did not do a good job because...
Next time...
(Ask a question to the person you are writing to!)
Please write back soon!
Love

PREPARATION: Before the writing lesson, write the edited draft you made on Monday on the chalkboard.

## MODELLING THE PUBLISHING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Remind learners that on Monday you used the editing checklist to edit your drafts.
2 Next, tell learners that today we will publish and present our final piece of writing.
3 Show learners how you rewrite your own piece of writing, with a title and date.

## LEARNERS COMPLETE THE PUBLISHING PROCESS (YOU DO)

1 Hand out learners' exercise books or if possible, a blank sheet of A4 paper to write their letters on so they can easily give to the proper recipient.
2 Instruct learners to write the date and heading: A letter about feeling calm and relaxed.

3 Tell learners to neatly rewrite their final piece of writing, with no mistakes.
4 If learners have time, they can draw a quick illustration at the end of their letter.
5 As learners write, walk around the classroom and help learners who are struggling.

## LEARNERS PRESENT THEIR WRITING

1 In the last five minutes of the lesson, tell learners to put down their pens and pencils.
2 Tell learners to Turn and Talk and read their writing to a partner.
3 Once learners have done this, call on one or two learners to read their writing to the class.
4 If possible let learners take letter home and give to the recipient. This helps bring meaning to writing.

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A letter about beeling calm and selaxed
Dear Marrs,
I am witing to tell you a kout feeling calm and relaxed, which we have fuot been learming about at achool. I feel calm and velaxed when I sit quietly in my noom by myself. Sitting on my oun helps me stay calm and breethe. I feel calm and relaxed when I talk to my friends becawse we laugh and make eack other happy.

I would like to trus taking a walk beacowe ny teacker says that helpe her.
What do you do to feel calm and selaxeed?

One time I got into a fight with my sister. I felt so upset. I decided to calm doun by going into my noom and sit guietly. I think I did a good for b because this calmed me doum. I didn't shout at my oister. Next time I fight with anyone, I will try to make aure I go wath away and sit quietly by myolf a ther than hawing a big fight. What world you do to calm yourself doun if you got into a fight with your aister?

Please wite back soon!

Sone,
Mavis


## Group Guided Reading

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 4.
2 Explain Wednesday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Wednesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Thursday

I DO...
1 Explain that today, we will practise looking for small differences in words. This helps us to be better readers.
2 Write these two words on the chalkboard: rice, nice
3 Model finding the difference for learners, like: rice, nice
4 Explain the difference, like: the $/ \mathbf{r} /$ and $/ \mathbf{n} /$ sounds are different, but everything else in the word is the same!

## WE DO...

PART 1
1 Write these two words on the chalkboard: lawn, dawn
2 Ask learners: what is the difference between these two words?
3 Call on a learner to come and underline the difference between the two words, like: lawn, dawn
4 Explain the difference between the two words.

## PART 2

1 Next, write this word on the chalkboard: yawn
2 Ask learners: What is one sound you could swop in this word to make it into a different word?
3 Write a list of learners' ideas on the chalkboard, like: dawn, lawn, prawn, drawn

## YOU DO...

1 Write this word on the chalkboard: spice
2 Instruct learners to make as many other words as they can, replacing only one sound in the word.
3 At the end of the call on learners to come up to the chalkboard and write one of their words.
4 Go through the words and explain which sound has been swopped. nice, rice, dice, mice, lice, slice, price

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
$\qquad$

## Second Read

## READING STRATEGIES: I WONDER; MAKE INFERENCES

| Text | Second Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Munene gets help <br> After Munene's granny died, he went to live with <br> his Auntie Jessica in Mamelodi - far away from <br> his home in Xigalo. | I remember that Munene feels depressed in <br> this story. Let's think about how Auntie Jessica <br> made this inference as we read today. |
| When he arrived at his Auntie Jessica's house, <br> nothing felt right. The house felt big and empty. | I infer that wanting to stay in bed all day might <br> be a sign of depression. |
| He missed the sounds of birds chirping outside <br> his window in the morning. |  |
| He missed the squeaky, creaky old door opening <br> and closing. |  |
| But mostly, he missed the sound of his granny's <br> loud, deep laugh. |  |
| Munene wanted to sleep all day. He felt too tired <br> to get out of bed. |  |
| When he arrived in his new classroom, nothing <br> felt right. The classroom felt dark and cold. | I infer that having a stomach ache every day |
| might be a sign of depression. |  |
| He missed the sounds of cow bells outside the |  |
| window during the school day. |  |
| He missed the sound of squeaky chalk on the <br> blackboard. |  |
| But mostly he missed knowing his granny was at <br> home - just a short walk away. |  |
| Thinking about school made Munene's stomach <br> hurt. Each morning, he told Auntie Jessica that <br> he felt too sick to go to school. |  |

## Text

Auntie Jessica could see that something wasn't right. She tried to help Munene ease into his new environment.
'Why don't you come with me to the neighbour's house? Bokang is nine years old - just like you!' she offered, but Munene didn't feel like meeting anyone new.
'I've made your favourite foods for dinner!' Auntie Jessica said, serving Munene a crispy toasted cheese sandwich.
'Thanks, but I'm just not hungry,' Munene said, pushing his plate away.

At night, Auntie Jessica heard Munene quietly crying into his pillow. 'Do you need a hug?' she asked gently, but Munene didn't want a hug from anyone but his granny.

Auntie Jessica gave Munene time to settle in, but after a few weeks things still didn't feel right.
'Munene, I am worried about you. I think you are depressed. You have experienced the death of the person you love most. You have moved across the country - away from your home and your friends. I think you need some help to feel better,' she said.

Munene sat quietly for a few minutes. 'Does that mean something is wrong with me?' Munene asked fearfully.
'No, it doesn't,' Auntie Jessica said. 'I know that there is a negative stigma around seeing a psychologist, but it is nothing to be ashamed of. If your body feels sick, there is no shame in going to a doctor. If your mind and emotions feel sick, there shouldn't be any shame in seeing a psychologist. I see a psychologist regularly to help me feel calm and happy,' she assured him.

A few days later, Auntie Jessica brought Munene to a special clinic. They waited in the waiting room.

When Munene's name was called, he felt scared. 'Don't worry, I'll be here waiting,' Auntie Jessica assured him as she patted his back.

Munene walking into a small, bright office. He sat in a soft, comfortable chair.
'I'm Siya,' the psychologist said, sitting across from him. 'Let's talk about how you're feeling.'
'Well, I feel...' Munene began.

## Second Read (Think Aloud)

I infer that not wanting to meet anyone new or talk to other people might be a sign of depression.

I infer that not feeling hungry might be a sign of depression - especially when you don't want to eat your favourite food!

There are so many signs that Munene is feeling depressed - especially when Auntie Jessica thinks about them altogether. I think all of these signs helped her infer that Munene might be depressed.

Auntie Jessica inferred that Munene was depressed from all the signs she saw - and because of the fact that he experienced some big life changes, like his granny dying and moving somewhere new.

I infer that Munene has never seem a psychologist before, because he is scared about his appointment.

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| Text | Second Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| When the hour was up, Munene took a deep <br> breath, and walked back to the waiting room. <br> 'So?' asked Auntie Jessica, hesitantly. 'How was that?' <br> 'Well, I don't know if I feel better yet...' said <br> Munene, 'but I think I want to come back next <br> week. I like Psychologist Siya - I think talking to <br> him might help.' | I infer that seeing a psychologist might help <br> Munene deal with his depression. Psychologists <br> are so important and helpful. |
| Auntie Jessica squeezed Munene's hand and <br> smiled. | Responses |
| Follow up questions | He had to move to Mamelodi to live with his <br> Auntie Jessica when his granny died. |
| Why did Munene move to Mamelodi? | Munene's favourite food is a crispy toasted <br> cheese sandwich. |
| What is Munene's favourite food? | Possible responses |
| Why question | - Because he wanted to sleep all day. He didn't <br> want to get out of bed. |
| How did Auntie Jessica infer that Munene might <br> be depressed? | Because he had a stomach ache every day <br> and hecause he doesn't want to meet anyone <br> new. |
| - Because he doesn't want to eat - even when |  |
| it is his favourite food. |  |

Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 4.
2 Explain Thursday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Thursday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Friday

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- sign
- symptom
- emotion

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| Let's meditate together | Join hands with the people next to you |
| Together, together |  |
| Let's meditate together |  |
| So we can be calm | Put hands up, palms together in meditation <br> position (as if you're saying please) |
| Let's hold up our hands | Close eyes |
| And close our eyes | Let your lips and teeth vibrate on the 'mmm' sound |
| Let's all say 'Ommm' | - |
| And empty our minds |  |

## DISCUSSION OF SHARED READING TEXT

1 Write the discussion frame on the chalkboard:
In this story...
We can infer that Munene feels depressed because...
We can infer that Auntie Jessica cares about Munene because...
2 Read the discussion frame to learners.
3 Put the learners into their small groups.
4 Tell learners that everyone must take a turn to answer each discussion question.
5 Call the class to attention.
6 Ask different learners or a specific group to share their answers.
7 If answers are incorrect, correct them.
8 Thank learners for their contributions.

## Word Find

Write the table on the chalkboard that includes previously learnt sounds as well as the sounds taught on Tuesday and Wednesday.

| $\mathbf{c}$ | aw | $\mathbf{n}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{e}$ | $\mathbf{t}$ | $\mathbf{y}$ |
| $\mathbf{i}$ | $\mathbf{r}$ | $\mathbf{d}$ |
| $\mathbf{l}$ | $\mathbf{h}$ | $\mathbf{p}$ |
| $\mathbf{s}$ | $\mathbf{k}$ | $\mathbf{a}$ |

## MODEL

1 Remind learners of the sounds of the week: /c/ and /aw/
2 Review all of the sounds and blends on the chalkboard.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to make as many words as they can using the sounds and blends above.
4 Show learners how to make a word using a target sound, like: /h/-/aw/-/k/ = hawk
5 Remind learners they can make a word using any of the sounds - they do not need to use /c/ or /aw/
6 Show learners how to make another word, like: /d/-/e/-/s/-/k/ = desk

## LEARNERS DO

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the heading: $\mathbf{c}$, aw
2 Instruct learners to begin writing.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to find and build as many words as they can.
4 Allow learners to correct their own work. Show learners how to build these words (and others):
city, cent, ice, nice, spice, rice, yawn, dawn, lawn, law, hawk, desk, net, ten, ship, this, rash

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading：

## Post－Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY：SUMMARISE／MAKE INFERENCES

## ILLUSTRATE THE TEXT

1 Settle the learners at their desks，with their exercise books or blank paper，pencils and crayons．
2 Explain that today learners will write and draw about what a character in the story is thinking or feeling．
3 Model how you choose a character and infer what they are thinking or feeling，like： Auntie Jessica is worried that Munene is not feeling okay．
4 Draw your own picture on the chalkboard of Auntie Jessica listening to Munene crying at night．
5 Use modelling to add a thought bubble to your illustration with one or two sentences inside，like：What can I do to help Munene？
6 Next，tell learners that they are going to choose a character and make an inference about what they are thinking or feeling．
7 Ask learners to close their eyes and relax．Read the text to them once more．
8 Ask learners to open their eyes，and draw their ideas．
9 Finally，ask learners to turn and talk，and to share their illustration with a partner．

## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS：

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1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 4.
2 Explain Friday Activity 1 to the whole class．
3 Call the first group to work with you．
4 After 15 minutes，send the group back to their seats．
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity．
6 Explain Friday Activity 2 to the whole class．
7 Call the second group to work with you．
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to，and what they read．
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities．

## End of week language learning review

 15 minutes1 Settle learners on the carpet at the end of the day.
2 Conduct the weekly language review session. You may choose to combine HL and FAL learning in this review.
3 Remember to allow learners to 'Turn and Talk' and discuss their answers with a partner. Then, select a few learners to share their answers with the class.
4 Use the following prompting questions to guide the language part of your discussion:
a What was our language theme for the week?
b Which stories did we read together?
c What were your favourite new words of the week?
d What did you learn from the stories we read?
e What did we write about this week?
f How did your own writing improve this week?
g How did your own reading improve this week?
$h$ What are you most proud of this week?
5 Finally, tell learners to think about two things that they are going to tell their families about what they learnt or how they improved at school this week.

Please note: This process of self review and reflection is a critically important part of learning. Please do not skip this weekly activity.

# Grade 3 

 TERM 4

# THEME: <br> Sadness and grief 

## 阴目 Classroom Preparation

1 At the start of each week, ensure that your classroom is neat and tidy.
2 Update your DISPLAY BOARDS, by removing items that are no longer relevant, and storing them carefully.
3 Then, prepare the flashcard words and theme word illustrations that you will need.
4 Find and prepare items for your theme wall and table that will be of interest to learners, for instance: Write a short story about a time you felt sad or dealt with grief for learners to read.
5 Do some research on the internet to prepare for the theme. For example: Strategies for helping learners deal with sadness and grief
6 Make sure all learner exercise books and DBE Workbooks are marked, and neatly packed where they belong.
7 Make sure all your big books, graded readers and classroom library books are in good order.
8 Adjust your group guided reading groups if necessary.
9 Plan your informal and formal assessment activities for the week.

## Extension Activities

These activities can be used as independent work for learners who finish their work early
OR while you are giving assessments to learners.
Activity 1: DBE Workbook 2: Page 86, Let's read
Activity 2: DBE Workbook 2: Page $87-88$, Let's write
Activity 3: DBE Workbook 2: Page 89, Let's do
Activity 4: Write a diary entry about a time you felt sad, and what helped you to feel better.

## Monday

## INTRODUCE THE THEME: ACCESSING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

1 Show learners the front cover of the Big Book story: Bantu feels sad
2 Tell learners that we are starting a new theme called: Sadness and grief
3 Draw a circle with the name of the theme in the middle of the chalkboard.
4 Ask learners: What do you already know about this theme?
5 Write down learners' ideas around the mind map. Group similar ideas together.
6 If learners struggle to respond, ask the following prompting questions:
a What are some reasons people feel sad?
b What does it look or sound like when someone is sad?
c What is grief?
d How are grief and sadness connected to each other? (How are they similar? How are they different?)

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- sadness
- grief
- death
- funeral


## Rhyme or song

Cry, cry, it's okay to cry
When you're feeling sad!
The tears will help to ease your pain,
Then you won't feel so bad.

## Actions

Put your arm around a friend's shoulder (as if to comfort them)

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the date and heading $\underline{\text { Singular to }}$ Plural Words.
2 Next tell learners to write numbers 1-6 in the margin, skipping lines between numbers.
3 Call out the singular words as follows. Learners must write these words next to the correct number.

## Singular to Plural Words

1 hero
2 echo
3 tomato
4 potato
5 domino
4 Next, instruct learners to rewrite the words as plurals, on the line below.
5 In the last five minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, saying the sounds and describing the cursive writing process as you do this.
6 Then, ask learners to point out any patterns they can see, like: where the words change.
7 Underline these patterns, like:

## Singular to Plural Words

1 hero
heroes
2 echo
echoes
3 tomato
tomatoes
4 potato
potatoes
5 domino
dominoes
8 Tell learners to think about these patterns when they are reading or writing.
9 Instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.

## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

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## Shared Reading:

## Pre-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: PREDICT

1 Settle learners on the carpet or so that they can see the Big Book.
2 Open the Big Book to the story: Bantu feels sad
3 Do a picture walk of every page, asking learners what they think is happening.
4 Help learners to connect the pictures, so that they have a good sense of what the story is about.
5 Introduce new vocabulary at relevant parts of the story.
6 Read the story through once, without stopping.

## Plan And Draft

TOPIC: Write a story about someone who is experiencing sadness or grief
TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

PLANNING STRATEGY: Make a mind-map

## INTRODUCE THE WRITING TOPIC.

1 Show learners that you think before you write.
2 Orally, explain your ideas for your story, like:
I will write a story inspired by when my grandmother died. It will be a fictional story, but I will draw on my own experiences to make the story more realistic.

## MODELLING THE PLANNING STRATEGY (I DO)

1 Draw a mind-map frame on one side of the chalkboard.
2 Show learners how you make a mind-map by answering the questions.
3 Complete the mind-map on the other side of the chalkboard.

| Mind-map plan |  |  | Mind-map |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Who is sad or experiencing grief? | What happened? | What is the setting (when and where)? | Sandile and especially Sandile's mother | Sandile's grandmother / his mother's mother died | Paragraph 1 - they are getting ready <br> Paragraph <br> 2 - they are at the funeral <br> Paragraph 3 - they are eating dinner |
| Why is this person sad or experiencing grief? | My story | Who are the other characters in the story? | The death was unexpected she was in a car accident | My story | There are other people at the church |
| What happens to help this person feel better? | What experiences can you draw on to help you write this story? | Are there any other important details? | Sandile puts his arm around his mother, they see lots of people at the church | When my grandfather died and I felt very sad - and my mom cried for many days | They eat Gogo's favourite food to honour her later |

## LEARNERS USE THE PLANNING STRATEGY (YOU DO)

1 Tell learners to close their eyes and think of a character who is sad or experiencing grief.
2 Next, tell learners to turn and talk with a partner, to share their stories.
3 Show learners the mind-map frame on the chalkboard, and tell them to use this frame to plan their writing, just like you did.
4 Hand out exercise books.
5 Tell learners they must write their own ideas - they must not copy your plan.
6 As learners work, walk around the room and hold mini-conferences.
Mpumie
Mpumie lost her
mom and now has
to mone away to
live with her
grandmother
Mother died
grandmother makes
herfeel better

## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

$\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 5.
2 Explain Monday Activity $\mathbf{1}$ to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Monday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Tuesday

## I DO...

1 Say the sound: au
2 Say the word: fraud
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /f/-/r/-/au/-/d/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /f/
5 Say the second sound of the word: /r/
6 Say the third sound of the word: /au/
7 Say the last single sound of the word: /d/
8 Write the word on the chalkboard: fraud
9 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /f/-/r/-/au/-/d/ = fraud

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: au
2 Say the word: pause
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /p/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /au/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /se/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /p/-/au/-/se/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: pause
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /p/-/au/-/se/ = pause

## YOU DO...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: au words
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-6 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 August
2 fraud
3 pause
4 launch
5 haunt
6 because
4 Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.

5 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
6 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
7 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
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## Handwriting:

## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letter(s) in cursive: au
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.

6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.



## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

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Shared Reading:

## First Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGIES: MAKE INFERENCES

| Text | First Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Bantu feels sad <br> Khumo's friend Bantu didn't come to school on <br> Monday or Tuesday. Khumo wondered where <br> his friend could be. | -- |
| When Khumo got home from school on Tuesday, <br> his mother told him that Bantu's granny had <br> died. Bantu was always with his granny. Khumo <br> thought about how sad Bantu must feel. | I can infer that Khumo cares about his friend, <br> because he wants to help him feel better! |
| I must try to make my friend feel better,' Khumo <br> thought. He thought and thought about what to <br> do. |  |

## Text

'Maybe I can make Bantu laugh if I tell him all my best jokes!' Khumo thought. 'Then he will forget all about feeling sad!'

Khumo thought of all of his good jokes. He wrote them down on a piece of paper and put them in his school bag.

On Wednesday morning, Khumo found Bantu at school. Khumo thought it might make Bantu sad if he mentioned his granny. So Khumo didn't say anything. Instead, he took out his paper and started telling Bantu all of his jokes. After each one, he looked for a smile on Bantu's face. But, Bantu just looked sad.

On Wednesday evening, Khumo thought about what else he could do to help his friend feel better.
'Maybe I can make Bantu forget how sad he feels if I show him some new juggling tricks,' Khumo thought. 'Then, he will forget all about feeling sad!'
Khumo found some oranges in the kitchen. He took them outside and practised juggling them, until he could keep three up in the air!

On Thursday morning, Khumo found Bantu at school. Khumo thought it might make Bantu sad if he mentioned his granny. So Khumo didn't say anything. Instead, he took out his oranges and showed his new trick to Bantu. He kept all three oranges up in the air, which he thought was pretty impressive. He looked for a smile on Bantu's face. But, Bantu just looked sad.
When Khumo got home from school on Thursday, he felt upset.

I have tried and tried to make Bantu not feel sad!' Khumo told his mother. 'I told jokes, I showed him my best juggling trick, but nothing worked!' Khumo said.
'Did you tell him you're sorry his granny died?' Khumo's mother asked.
'No...I thought it might make Bantu feel worse if I talked about his granny,' Khumo replied.
Khumo's mother sat down next to him. 'Bantu feels sad because he loved his granny. You don't need to try to make him forget his sadness. Sometimes, when we are sad, we just need our friends to be with us, and to listen to us,' Khumo's mother said.

First Read (Think Aloud)
I can infer that Khumo is trying very hard to help his friend feel better!

I can infer that Khumo's jokes did not actually make Bantu feel better, because Bantu still looks sad after Khumo tells all his jokes!

I can infer that Khumo is trying very hard to help his friend feel better!

| Text | First Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| On Friday morning, Khumo found Bantu at <br> school. | Khumo follows his mother's advice! I can infer <br> that Khumo really cares about his friend, and <br> 'I'm really sorry your granny died,' Khumo said. 'I <br> don't know how to help you feel better. But I can <br> just sit with you if that's what you want. And if feel better! <br> you want to talk about how sad you feel, I'm here <br> to listen,' Khumo said. |
| For the first time all week, Bantu looked at <br> Khumo with a small smile. | I can infer that for the first time all week, Khumo <br> helped Bantu feel a little bit better. |
| Thanks, Khumo. You're a good friend,' Bantu <br> said. |  |

## Follow up questions

Why was Bantu absent from school on Monday and Tuesday?
What did Khumo do on Wednesday to try to help his friend feel better?

Who helped Khumo in the story?

## Why question

Why did Khumo tell jokes and do juggling tricks?

## Responses

Because his granny died.

He told his friend jokes to try to make him laugh.

Khumo's mother helped him!

## Possible response

- Because he wanted his friend Bantu to feel better.
- Because he thought joke and tricks would make Bantu forget about feeling sad.
- Because he cared about helping his friend feel better.
- Because he didn't know what would help his friend feel better. He tried the best he could!


## GROUPS:

1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 5.
2 Explain Tuesday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Tuesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
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## Wednesday

## $D$

Oral Activities

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- juggle
- distract
- thoughtful
- grateful
- thankful

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| Cry, cry, it's okay to cry | Put your arm around a friend's shoulder (as if to |
| comfort them) |  |
| When you're feeling sad! |  |
| The tears will help to ease your pain, |  |
| Then you won't feel so bad. |  |

## CREATIVE STORYTELLING

1 Divide learners into their small groups.
2 Hand each group a copy of the creative storytelling pictures.
3 Tell learners to think of a story that fits with the pictures.
4 Give learners a minute or two to think about their ideas.
5 Next every learner in the group must take a turn to share their version of the story.
6 Remind learners that their story should be creative, but also must fit with the pictures!
7 Remind learners to listen carefully to each other's stories.
8 Thank learners for sharing their stories.


## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics: <br> Revise Sounds, Blending And Segmenting

I DO...
1 Say the sound: oi
2 Say the word: soil
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /s/-/oi/-/l/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /s/
5 Say the second sound of the word:/oi/
6 Say the last sound of the word: /l/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: soil
8 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /s/-/oi/-/l/ = soil

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: oi
2 Say the word: coin
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /c/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /oi/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /n/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /c/-/oi/-/n/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: coin
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: $/ \mathbf{c} /-/ \mathbf{o i} /-/ \mathbf{n} /=\mathbf{c o i n}$

## YOU DO...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: oi words.
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-6 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 coin
2 oil
3 soil
4 boil
5 foil
6 toil
Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.
4 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
5 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
6 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

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## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sounds: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Writing:

## Draft

TOPIC: Write a story about someone who is experiencing sadness or grief
TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

## WRITING FRAME:

## Paragraph 1

It was... (Write about the problem in the story. Give details about the characters, the setting, and what happened.)

## Paragraph 2

When... (Write about how the problem is resolved. What happens in the story to help the characters deal with their sadness or grief?)

## Paragraph 3 (optional)

Later...(Write about how the story ends. What happens next or later in the story.)
PREPARATION: Before the writing lesson, write the plan you made on Monday on the chalkboard.

## MODELLING THE DRAFTING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Remind learners of the plan that you made on Monday.
2 Read through your plan that is written on the chalkboard.
3 Next, read through the writing frame with learners.
4 Model how you will complete the writing frame using your own plan, like: It was the morning of Sandile's grandmother's funeral. It was going to be a hard day. Sandile heard his mother crying as she got dressed in the other room. Sandile wished that the accident had never happened. He had never thought about what life would be like without his grandmother.
When they arrived at the church, they sat in the front row. Sandile and his mother both cried when they saw the coffin. Sandile's grandmother's friends and neighbours filled the other pews.
'Look Mama, so many people loved Gogo,' Sandile said, putting his arm around his mother.
Sandile's mother smiled through her tears as she looked around.
'So many people loved her,' she said.
Later that night, Sandile and his mother ate Gogo's favourite food in honour of her. 'We will never forget our Gogo', Sandile said, taking a big bite.

## LEARNERS COMPLETE THE DRAFTING PROCESS (YOU DO)

1 Hand out learners' exercise books.
2 Instruct learners to write the date and heading: Sadness and grief: Draft
3 Tell learners to find their plan from Monday and think about their ideas.
4 Tell learners to complete the writing frame using their plans.
5 Tell learners that they can add more sentences or details if they have time.
6 Remind learners of the strategies they can use to help them.
7 As learners write, walk around the classroom and help learners who are struggling.

Sadness and grief: Draft

Paragraph 1
it was the day of Mpumiés moms funerale. this was a whey sad day. Mpumies granny was trying to make mpumie feel a bit betta by giving her a big hug. mpumie felt sad abort her mom and that she had to moue away from her frends to go and live with her grandmother.

Paragraph 2
When they got to the funerals, they were so sad. They started to cry. Mpumie granny gave her a big hug and told her that sake will look after her. She told Mpumie that oke lowed her wery muck and will always be tere for her.

Paragraph 3
Later when granny and mpumie wear in the house. Granny told mpumie that she wanted to move into Mpumies house so that Mpumie can stay close to her friends. Mpumie was happy because she wood always remember her mom and she wood have a wonderful granny to look after her.

## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

$\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 5.
2 Explain Wednesday Activity $\mathbf{1}$ to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Wednesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
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## Thursday

I DO...
1 Explain that today, we will practise looking for small differences in words. This helps us to be better readers.
2 Write these two words on the chalkboard: pause, cause
3 Model finding the difference for learners, like: pause, cause
4 Explain the difference, like: the /p/ and /c/ sounds are different, but everything else in the word is the same!

## WE DO...

PART 1
1 Write these two words on the chalkboard: launch, lunch
2 Ask learners: what is the difference between these two words?
3 Call on a learner to come and underline the difference between the two words, like: launch, lunch
4 Explain the difference between the two words.

## PART 2

1 Next, write this word on the chalkboard: soil
2 Ask learners: What is one sound you could swop in this word to make it into a different word?

3 Write a list of learners' ideas on the chalkboard, like: boil, foil, toil, coil, spoil

## YOU DO...

1 Write this word on the chalkboard: pause
2 Instruct learners to make as many other words as they can, replacing only one sound in the word.
3 At the end of the call on learners to come up to the chalkboard and write one of their words.
4 Go through the words and explain which sound has been swopped. cause, clause, because, applause

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Shared Reading:
15 minutes

## Second Read

## READING STRATEGIES: MAKE INFERENCES

| Text | Second Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Bantu feels sad <br> Khumo's friend Bantu didn't come to school on <br> Monday or Tuesday. Khumo wondered where <br> his friend could be. | -- |
| When Khumo got home from school on Tuesday, <br> his mother told him that Bantu's granny had <br> died. Bantu was always with his granny. Khumo <br> thought about how sad Bantu must feel. | I can infer that Khumo has never had a friend <br> whelp but he doesn't know how! |
| II must try to make my friend feel better,' Khumo |  |
| thought. He thought and thought about what to |  |
| do. |  |

## Text

On Thursday morning, Khumo found Bantu at school. Khumo thought it might make Bantu sad if he mentioned his granny. So Khumo didn't say anything. Instead, he took out his oranges and showed his new trick to Bantu. He kept all three oranges up in the air, which he thought was pretty impressive. He looked for a smile on Bantu's face. But, Bantu just looked sad.

When Khumo got home from school on Thursday, he felt upset.
'I have tried and tried to make Bantu not feel sad!' Khumo told his mother. 'I told jokes, I showed him my best juggling trick, but nothing worked!' Khumo said.
'Did you tell him you're sorry his granny died?' Khumo's mother asked.
'No...I thought it might make Bantu feel worse if I talked about his granny,' Khumo replied.

Khumo's mother sat down next to him. 'Bantu feels sad because he loved his granny. You don't need to try to make him forget his sadness. Sometimes, when we are sad, we just need our friends to be with us, and to listen to us,' Khumo's mother said.

On Friday morning, Khumo found Bantu at school.
'I'm really sorry your granny died,' Khumo said. 'I don't know how to help you feel better. But I can just sit with you if that's what you want. And if you want to talk about how sad you feel, l'm here to listen,' Khumo said.

For the first time all week, Bantu looked at Khumo with a small smile.
'Thanks, Khumo. You're a good friend,' Bantu said.

## Second Read (Think Aloud)

I infer that Khumo must be thinking that Bantu will feel better if he forgets all about his granny.

I can infer that Khumo is feeling upset, because he is trying so hard to help his friend but nothing is working! I infer that Khumo doesn't know what else to do!

Oh! Khumo was thinking that Bantu needed to forget about his granny and feeling sad. But, I can infer that maybe this isn't correct. Khumo's mother says that Khumo must listen to his friend - not try to make him forget!

I can infer that Khumo took his mother's advice seriously, because he offers to just listen to his friend. I can infer that Khumo really cares about helping his friend.

I can infer that Khumo's mother's advice was helpful. I can make this inference because Bantu finally smiles at Khumo. Khumo must be feeling relieved that he could finally help his friend a little bit!

## Follow up questions

When was Bantu absent?
What did Khumo do to try to help his friend feel better?

Why can we infer that Khumo felt frustrated on Thursday night?

## Why question

Why did Bantu finally smile at Khumo?

## Possible responses

On Monday and Tuesday.

- He told him funny jokes.
- He learned juggling tricks.
- In the end, he offered to listen to his friend!
- Because he wasn't able to make his friend feel better.
- Because he was working hard but nothing he tried worked!
- Because he didn't know what else to do!


## Possible response

- Because Khumo finally told Bantu he felt sorry about his granny.
- Because Khumo offered to listen to Bantu.
- Because Khumo didn't try to make Bantu forget about his granny.
- Because Khumo told Bantu that it was okay to feel sad.


## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 5.
2 Explain Thursday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Thursday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Friday

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.
1 advice
2 relieved
3 memory

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| Cry, cry, it's okay to cry | Put your arm around a friend's shoulder (as if to <br> comfort them) |
| When you're feeling sad! |  |
| The tears will help to ease your pain, |  |
| Then you won't feel so bad. |  |

## DISCUSSION OF SHARED READING TEXT

1 Write the discussion frame on the chalkboard:
This story is about...
I think Khumo is...because...
This story is related to the theme of 'Sadness and grief' because...
2 Read the discussion frame to learners.
3 Put the learners into their small groups.
4 Tell learners that everyone must take a turn to answer each discussion question.
5 Call the class to attention.
6 Ask different learners or a specific group to share their answers.
7 If answers are incorrect, correct them.
8 Thank learners for their contributions.

## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

Word Find
Write the table on the chalkboard that includes previously learnt sounds as well as the sounds taught on Tuesday and Wednesday.

| au | oi | c |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{n}$ | l | b |
| $\mathbf{f}$ | s | r |
| $\mathbf{d}$ | p | e |
| $\mathbf{h}$ | $\mathbf{t}$ | $\mathbf{a}$ |

## MODEL

1 Remind learners of the sounds of the week: /au/ and /oi/
2 Review all of the sounds and blends on the chalkboard.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to make as many words as they can using the sounds and blends above.
4 Show learners how to make a word using a target sound, like: /c/-/oi/-/n/ = coin
5 Remind learners they can make a word using any of the sounds - they do not need to use /au/ or /oi/
6 Show learners how to make another word, like: /p/-/e/-/t/ = pet

## LEARNERS DO

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the heading: au, oi
2 Instruct learners to begin writing.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to find and build as many words as they can.
4 Allow learners to correct their own work. Show learners how to build these words (and others): fraud, pause, launch, haunt, because, coin, oil, soil, boil, foil, toil, pet, can, pen, fast, blast, chat

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Post-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: SUMMARISE; MAKE INFERENCES

## ILLUSTRATE THE TEXT

1 Settle the learners at their desks, with their exercise books or blank paper, pencils and crayons.
2 Explain that today learners will write and draw about what a character in the story is thinking or feeling.
3 Model how you choose a character and infer what they are thinking or feeling, like: Bantu is sitting and wishing he had someone to talk to about his feelings. I think that he is feeling sad and lonely.
4 Draw your own picture on the chalkboard of Bantu sitting outside, feeling sad.
5 Use modelling to add a thought bubble to your illustration with one or two sentences inside, like: I wonder who I can talk to about feeling so sad?
6 Next, tell learners that they are going to choose a character and make an inference about what they are thinking or feeling.
7 Ask learners to close their eyes and relax. Read the text to them once more.
8 Ask learners to open their eyes, and draw their ideas.
9 Finally, ask learners to turn and talk, and to share their illustration with a partner.

## GROUPS:

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## End of week language learning review

1 Settle learners on the carpet at the end of the day.
2 Conduct the weekly language review session. You may choose to combine HL and FAL learning in this review.
3 Remember to allow learners to 'Turn and Talk' and discuss their answers with a partner. Then, select a few learners to share their answers with the class.
4 Use the following prompting questions to guide the language part of your discussion:
a What was our language theme for the week?
b Which stories did we read together?
c What were your favourite new words of the week?
d What did you learn from the stories we read?
e What did we write about this week?
f How did your own writing improve this week?
g How did your own reading improve this week?
h What are you most proud of this week?
5 Finally, tell learners to think about two things that they are going to tell their families about what they learnt or how they improved at school this week.

Please note: This process of self review and reflection is a critically important part of learning. Please do not skip this weekly activity.


# Grade 3 

 TERM 4

# THEME: <br> Sadness and grief 

## 阴且 Classroom Preparation

1 At the start of each week, ensure that your classroom is neat and tidy.
2 Update your DISPLAY BOARDS, by removing items that are no longer relevant, and storing them carefully.
3 Then, prepare the flashcard words and theme word illustrations that you will need.
4 Find and prepare items for your theme wall and table that will be of interest to learners, for instance: Pictures of pyramids / tombs in ancient Egypt; pictures of the Taj Mahal; pictures of other interesting monuments to people who have died
5 Do some research on the internet to prepare for the theme. For example: Different ways people honour or celebrate death (in different religions, in different countries, throughout history)
6 Make sure all learner exercise books and DBE Workbooks are marked, and neatly packed where they belong.
7 Make sure all your big books, graded readers and classroom library books are in good order.

## Extension Activities

These activities can be used as independent work for learners who finish their work early OR while you are giving assessments to learners.

Activity 1: DBE Workbook 2: Page 90, Let's read
Activity 2: DBE Workbook 2: Page 91 -92, Let's write
Activity 3: DBE Workbook 2: Page 93, Let's write
Activity 4: Write a diary entry about a time you helped a friend or family member who felt sad.

## Monday

## RECAP THE THEME: ACCESSING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

1 Show learners the picture of the elaborate altar in the Big Book story: Remembering Tio Pablo
2 Tell learners that we are continuing our theme: Sadness and grief
3 Draw a circle with the name of the theme in the middle of the chalkboard.
4 Ask learners: What have you learned about this theme so far?
5 Write down learners' ideas around the mind map. Group similar ideas together.
6 If learners struggle to respond, ask the following prompting questions:
a Why do people feel sadness or grief? (Have you learned anything new about this?)
b What are some things that can help when someone feels sad?
c What have you learnt about sadness and grief from Munene, Auntie Jessica, Khumo, and Bantu?

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- altar
- elaborate
- Mexico

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| Cry, cry, it's okay to cry | Put your arm around a friend's shoulder (as if to <br> comfort them) |
| When you're feeling sad! |  |
| The tears will help to ease your pain, |  |
| Then you won't feel so bad. |  |

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the date and heading Singular to Plural Sentences.
2 Next tell learners to write numbers 1-5 in the margin, skipping lines between numbers.
3 Call out the singular sentences as follows. Learners must write these sentences next to the correct number:

## Singular to Plural Sentences

1 The man is a hero.
2 The child can hear an echo.
3 The girl will eat a tomato.
4 The mom puts a potato in the soup.
5 The boy plays with a domino.
4 Next, instruct learners to rewrite the sentences as plurals, on the line below.
5 In the last five minutes of the lesson, correctly write the sentences on the chalkboard, saying the sounds and describing the cursive writing process as you do this.
6 Then, ask learners to point out any patterns they can see, like: where words change.
7 Underline these patterns, like:

## Singular to Plural Sentences

1 The man is a hero.
The men are heroes.
2 The child can hear an echo.
The children can hear echoes.
3 The girl will eat a tomato.
The girls will eat tomatoes.
4 The mom puts a potato in the soup.
The moms put potatoes in the soup.
5 The boy plays with a domino.
The boys play with dominoes.
8 Tell learners to think about these patterns when they are reading or writing.
9 Instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.

## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Pre-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: PREDICT

1 Settle learners on the carpet or so that they can see the Big Book.
2 Open the Big Book to the story: Remembering Tio Pablo
3 Do a picture walk of every page, asking learners what they think is happening.
4 Help learners to connect the pictures, so that they have a good sense of what the story is about.
5 Introduce new vocabulary at relevant parts of the story.
6 Read the story through once, without stopping.

## Edit

TOPIC: Write a story about someone who is experiencing sadness or grief
TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

## PREPARATION:

- Write the editing checklist on the chalkboard before the start of the writing lesson.
- Write your draft on the chalkboard before the lesson. Include one or two mistakes.


## EDITING CHECKLIST:

1 Is my story about a character who is experiencing sadness or grief?
2 Did I include the setting (where and when)?
3 Did I include details about what happened?
4 Did I write at least 12 sentences?
5 Did I write at least two paragraphs?
6 Did I spell all words correctly?
7 Does every sentence start with a capital letter?
8 Does every sentence end with proper punctuation?

## MODEL THE EDITING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Read the editing checklist aloud to learners.
2 Next, read your draft aloud to learners.
3 Go through the checklist, and point out whether your draft is correct, or whether you need to make corrections or improvements.
4 Model the correction process for learners.

## LEARNERS COMPLETE THE EDITING PROCESS (YOU DO)

1 Hand out exercise books.
2 Tell learners to find their draft of the writing task.
3 Next, tell learners to go through the editing checklist and make any corrections or improvements that are required.
4 As learners work, walk around the room and hold mini-conferences - ensure you work with a different group of learners for every writing task.
5 Look for any common errors in learners' writing.
6 Call learners to attention and write the commonly made errors on the chalkboard.
7 Show learners how to correct these errors.

Sadness and grief: Draft
Paragraph 1

(it was the day of Mpumies mons funerals. (this was a whey sad day. Mpumies granny was trying to make mpunie feel a bit better by giving her a big hug. ©mpumie felt sad about her mom and that oke had to move away from her friends to go and live with her grandmother.

Paragraph 2
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When they got to the funeral, they were so sad. (they started to cory. Mpumiedgranny gave her a big hug and told her that oke will look after her. She told Mpumie that oke lowed her wert muck and will always be sere for her.
$\frac{\text { Paragraph } 3}{g}$
Later when (granny and mpumie were in the house. Granny M so that Mpunie can stay close to her friends. Mpumie was would happy because she and ways remember her mom and she would have a wonderful granny to look after her.

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 6.
2 Explain Monday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Monday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Tuesday

I DO...
1 Say the sound: ph
2 Say the word: phone
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /ph/-/o-e/-/n/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /ph/
5 Say the second sound of the word: /o-e/
6 Say the last single sound of the word: /n/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: phone
8 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /ph/-/o-e/-/n/ = phone

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: ph
2 Say the word: photo
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /ph/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /o/
5 Ask learners: What is the third sound in the word? /t/
6 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /o/
7 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /ph/-/o/-/t/-/o/
8 Write the word on the chalkboard: photo
9 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /ph/-/o/-/t/-/o/= photo

## YOU DO...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: ph words
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-6 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 phone
2 photo
3 phase
4 phonic
5 dolphin
6 phrase
4 Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.

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5 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
6 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
7 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
$\qquad$

## Handwriting:

## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letter(s) in cursive: $\mathbf{p h}$
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.


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## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## First Read

COMPREHENSION STRATEGIES: VISUALISE; MAKE EVALUATIONS

| Text | First Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Remembering Tio Pablo |  |
| There are different rituals all over the world for |  |
| honouring and celebrating people who have died. |  |
| In South Africa, many people hold a tombstone |  |
| unveiling, usually a year after the person has |  |
| passed. This event is a time to celebrate and |  |
| honour the deceased, after a year of mourning. |  |
| This event usually starts with a religious ceremony, |  |
| then the tombstone is unveiled, and the inscription |  |
| is read. Finally, food and drink are shared, and a |  |
| celebration is held. |  |
| In Mexico, a celebration called Día de los Muertos |  |
| is held once a year from October 31st to the 2nd |  |
| of November to honour the dead. This celebration |  |
| began several thousand years ago with the |  |
| indigenous people of Central America, who |  |
| considered mourning the dead disrespectful. For |  |
| people in these cultures, death was a natural part |  |
| of life. They believed in keeping the dead alive in |  |
| both memory and spirit. During the Día de los |  |
| Muertos, they believed that the dead temporarily |  |
| returned to Earth. Today, families still build altars |  |
| to guide their dead home to join them for the |  |
| celebration. |  |
| In this story you will encounter some Spanish |  |
| words: |  |
| Día de los Muertos - Day of the Dead (pronounced |  |
| deeah deh lows mwertoes) |  |
| Tio - uncle |  |
| Abuela - grandmother |  |
| Tamales - little pies filled with spicy meat or |  |
| vegetables |  |
| It was the first Día de los Muertos celebration since | I visualise the narrator's mother carefully |
| my Tio Pablo died. My mother decided we should | setting up the tables as she thinks about her |
| build an especially elaborate altar this year - to | mother and her brother who are gone. |
| guide him home for the first time since his death. |  |
| The day before the celebration, my mother set |  |
| up two small tables in the sitting room. She |  |
| placed a brightly-coloured cloth over each of the |  |
| tables. Then, she put boxes of all different sizes |  |
| on top of the tables to create seven levels. |  |

## Text

On the eve of November $1^{\text {st }}$, my mother asked my sister and I to gather all the photos from around the house of Tio Pablo and bring them to her. She found some old photos of her and Tio from when they were little children. She organised all of the photos around the altar.
'There!' my mother said. 'This will make Tio's soul feel welcome - and to know that we have not forgotten him.'

Then my mother added the photographs of our Abuela - like we did every year. 'Abuela has been coming home for a long time,' my sister Sophia said as she looked at the big portrait of Abuela as a young woman.

Next, my mother handed my sister and I each a bag filled with marigolds. 'Abuela always loved marigolds. I think their scent makes her feel welcome and happy each year when she comes home,' my mother said.
'This is more flowers than we usually get!' I told my mother, sticking my nose into the fragrant bag.
'Well this year we are going to make a path from the door to the altar - to help make sure Tio's soul can find the altar easily,' my mother said. She showed us how to pull the petals from the flowers. Then we carefully sprinkled petals from the door all the way to our altar. We used the remaining flowers to decorate the altar.

II think this is the most beautiful altar we've ever made!' my sister said, with a big smile. 'I think Tio will be impressed.'
'What kind of food will we leave for Tio's soul?' I asked my mother.
'Both Tio and Abuela loved spicy tamales,' my mother said. She went to the kitchen and came back with four tamales for the altar. 'This should help fill their hunger after travelling so far - from the spirit world all the way back here - to the world of the living!'
'I remember that Tio loved hot chocolate - it was his favourite! I am going to make him a delicious mug full,' my sister said, running into the kitchen.
'Oh, and they will be thirsty after their long journey too,' my mother said. 'Valentina, bring two glasses of water, won't you,' she whispered to me.

First Read (Think Aloud)
I visualise the narrator's mother carefully setting up all the photos on the different levels of the altar, smiling as she remembers the fun times she had with her brother.

I visualise the narrator and her sister pulling the petals from the flower and decorating the passage - all the way to the altar! ! imagine the smell of sweet flowers all around the house.

| Text |
| :--- |
| My mother hung paper flags on the wall above <br> the altar - colourful skulls, and colourful dancing <br> skeletons. |
| My mother stood back to admire the beautiful <br> altar. 'Oh! I almost forgot!' she gasped. |

My mother ran to the kitchen and came back with a small white box. She handed the box to me.
'Oooh! These are beautiful!' I said as I opened the box of sugar skulls. I carefully put them next to the picture of Tio Pablo.

Finally, my mother added two candles - one for Tio Pablo and one for Abuela. As she lit the candles, I thought about my Tio and Abuela's souls making their way back home - to keep us company for the Día de los Muertos celebration.

## Follow up questions

What is the celebration in the story called?
What items did the narrator's family place on their altar?

## Why question

Why did the narrator's family build an elaborate altar?

## First Read (Think Aloud)

The flags make the altar even more elaborate.
| think the family is visualising Uncle Tio's surprised face when he sees how much time they have put into the altar for him.
| think the family in the story is visualising their Abuela and Tio seeing the altar when they return - and being impressed with what they see!
I can visualise the narrator placing the fragile sugar skulls on the altar. The way she places the skulls shows how much she cares for her Tio and Abuela who have died.

The altar is so elaborate because the narrator's family has put so much care into setting it up. I think the decorations show how much they still love and care for their family members who have died.

## Possible responses

The celebration is called Día de los Muertos.
They place photographs, brightly coloured cloth, marigolds, spicy tamales, hot chocolate, water, sugar skulls, and candles on the altar.

## Possible responses

- Because it is Día de los Muertos, and building an altar is their tradition.
- Because they wanted to honour the narrator's uncle and grandmother.
- It was the first Día de los Muertos since their Uncle Pablo died, so they wanted to build an extra special altar for him.
- Because putting time and thought into their altar helps them feel connected to their loved ones who are now gone.


## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

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1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 6.
2 Explain Tuesday Activity $\mathbf{1}$ to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Tuesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
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## Wednesday

Oral Activities

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- celebration
- ritual
- spirit


## Rhyme or song

Cry, cry, it's okay to cry
When you're feeling sad!
The tears will help to ease your pain,
Then you won't feel so bad.

## Actions

Put your arm around a friend's shoulder (as if to comfort them)

## CREATIVE STORYTELLING

1 Divide learners into their small groups.
2 Hand each group a copy of the creative storytelling pictures.
3 Remind learners that last week, they made up their own stories around the pictures.
4 This week, learners must work as a group to decide on a group story.
5 Remind learners that their story should be
 creative, but also must fit with the pictures!
6 Call the class to attention.
7 Ask 1-2 different groups to share their group stories.
8 Thank learners for sharing their stories.


## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

Revise Sounds, Blending And Segmenting
I DO...
1 Say the sound: oy
2 Say the word: ploy
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /pl/-/oy/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /pl/
5 Say the last sound of the word: /oy/
6 Write the word on the chalkboard: ploy
7 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /pl/-/oy/ = ploy

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: oy
2 Say the word: toy
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /t/
4 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /oy/
5 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /t/-/oy/
6 Write the word on the chalkboard: toy
7 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /t/-/oy/ = toy

## YOU DO...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: oy words.
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-6 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 toy
2 boy
3 joy
4 enjoy
5 ploy
6 coy
Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.
4 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
5 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
6 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Handwriting:

## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letter(s) in cursive: oy
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
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## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

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Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$
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Writing:
Publish And Present

TOPIC: Write a story about someone who is experiencing sadness or grief
TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

## WRITING FRAME:

## Paragraph 1

It was... (Write about the problem in the story. Give details about the characters, the setting, and what happened.)

## Paragraph 2

When... (Write about how the problem is resolved. What happens in the story to help the characters deal with their sadness or grief?)

## Paragraph 3 (optional)

Later...(Write about how the story ends. What happens next or later in the story.)
PREPARATION: Before the writing lesson, write the edited draft you made on Monday on the chalkboard.

## MODELLING THE PUBLISHING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Remind learners that on Monday you used the editing checklist to edit your drafts.
2 Next, tell learners that today we will publish and present our final piece of writing.
3 Show learners how you rewrite your own piece of writing, with a title and date.

## LEARNERS COMPLETE THE PUBLISHING PROCESS (YOU DO)

1 Hand out learners' exercise books.
2 Instruct learners to write the date and heading: ... feels sad
3 Tell learners to neatly rewrite their final piece of writing, with no mistakes.
4 If learners have time, they can draw a quick illustration.
5 As learners write, walk around the classroom and help learners who are struggling.

## LEARNERS PRESENT THEIR WRITING

1 In the last five minutes of the lesson, tell learners to put down their pens and pencils.
2 Tell learners to Turn and Talk and read their writing to a partner.
3 Once learners have done this, call on one or two learners to read their writing to the class.
4 Compile learners' work into a class book. Make the book available in the reading corner for learners to read.

9 December 2020
Mpunie feels sad
It was the day of Mpumies mon's funeral. This was a wy sad day. Mpumie's granny was trying to make Mpunie feel a bit better by giving her a big hug. Mpunie felt sad about her mom and that she had to moue away from her friends to go and live with her grandmother.

When they got to the funeral, they were so sad. Whey started to cry. Mpumiés granny gave her a big hug and told her that oke will look after her. She told Mpumie that oke lowed her wary much and will always be there for her.

Later when franny and Mpumie were in the house. Granny told Mpumie that oke wanted to move into Mpumiés house so that Mpumie can stay chose to her friends. Mpumie was happy because she would always remember her mom and she would have a wonderful granny to look after her.


GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 6.
2 Explain Wednesday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Wednesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
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## Thursday

I DO...
1 Explain that today, we will practise looking for small differences in words. This helps us to be better readers.
2 Write these two words on the chalkboard: toy, boy
3 Model finding the difference for learners, like: toy, bloy
4 Explain the difference, like: the /t/ and /b/ sounds are different, but everything else in the word is the same!

## WE DO...

PART 1
1 Write these two words on the chalkboard: phase, phrase
2 Ask learners: what is the difference between these two words?
3 Call on a learner to come and underline the difference between the two words, like: phase, phrase
4 Explain the difference between the two words.

## PART 2

1 Next, write this word on the chalkboard: joy
2 Ask learners: What is one sound you could swop in this word to make it into a different word?
3 Write a list of learners' ideas on the chalkboard, like: toy, boy, enjoy, ploy, coy, annoy, destroy

## YOU DO...

1 Write this word on the chalkboard: phase
2 Instruct learners to make as many other words as they can, replacing only one sound in the word.
3 At the end of the call on learners to come up to the chalkboard and write one of their words.
4 Go through the words and explain which sound has been swopped. phrase, erase, praise

Week 6 • Theme: Sadness and grief

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
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## Second Read

## READING STRATEGIES: VISUALISE; MAKE EVALUATIONS


#### Abstract

Text

\section*{Remembering Tio Pablo}

There are different rituals all over the world for honouring and celebrating people who have died.

In South Africa, many people hold a tombstone unveiling, usually a year after the person has passed. This event is a time to celebrate and honour the deceased, after a year of mourning. This event usually starts with a religious ceremony, then the tombstone is unveiled, and the inscription is read. Finally, food and drink are shared, and a celebration is held.

In Mexico, a celebration called Día de los Muertos is held once a year from October 31st to the 2nd of November to honour the dead. This celebration began several thousand years ago with the indigenous people of Central America, who considered mourning the dead disrespectful. For people in these cultures, death was a natural part of life. They believed in keeping the dead alive in both memory and spirit. During the Día de los Muertos, they believed that the dead temporarily returned to Earth. Today, families still build altars to guide their dead home to join them for the celebration.

In this story you will encounter some Spanish words:

Día de los Muertos - Day of the Dead (pronounced deeah deh lows mwertoes)

Tio - uncle Abuela - grandmother Tamales - little pies filled with spicy meat or vegetables


## Second Read (Think Aloud)

There are different ways people around the world deal with grief. I think rituals or traditions are one important way people around the world deal with the sadness of losing people they love.

## Text

It was the first Día de los Muertos celebration since my Tio Pablo died. My mother decided we should build an especially elaborate altar this year - to guide him home for the first time since his death.

The day before the celebration, my mother set up two small tables in the sitting room. She placed a brightly-coloured cloth over each of the tables. Then, she put boxes of all different sizes on top of the tables to create seven levels.

On the eve of November $1^{\text {st }}$, my mother asked my sister and I to gather all the photos from around the house of Tio Pablo and bring them to her. She found some old photos of her and Tio from when they were little children. She organised all of the photos around the altar.
‘There!' my mother said. 'This will make Tio's soul feel welcome - and to know that we have not forgotten him.'
Then my mother added the photographs of our Abuela - like we did every year. 'Abuela has been coming home for a long time,' my sister Sophia said as she looked at the big portrait of Abuela as a young woman.

Next, my mother handed my sister and I each a bag filled with marigolds. 'Abuela always loved marigolds. I think their scent makes her feel welcome and happy each year when she comes home,' my mother said.
'This is more flowers than we usually get!' I told my mother, sticking my nose into the fragrant bag.
'Well this year we are going to make a path from the door to the altar - to help make sure Tio's soul can find the altar easily,' my mother said. She showed us how to pull the petals from the flowers. Then we carefully sprinkled petals from the door all the way to our altar. We used the remaining flowers to decorate the altar.

II think this is the most beautiful altar we've ever made!' my sister said, with a big smile. I think Tio will be impressed.'

## Second Read (Think Aloud)

This is the first time the narrator's family has celebrated Día de los Muertos since their Tio Pablo died. I think celebrating in this way is one way to deal with the grief of losing a loved one.
| imagine the narrator's mother feeling nostalgic as she sets up all the photos around the altar.

I can infer that their Abuela died a long time ago - but that doesn't mean the grief is gone. People deal with grief for a long time when they lose someone who they love.
| think the process of making the altar helps the family deal with their grief. They can celebrate the things they love about people who have died, have time to miss and talk about them, and keep their memories close even though they are gone.

## Text

'What kind of food will we leave for Tio's soul?' I asked my mother
'Both Tio and Abuela loved spicy tamales,' my mother said. She went to the kitchen and came back with four tamales for the altar. 'This should help fill their hunger after travelling so far - from the spirit world all the way back here - to the world of the living!'
'I remember that Tio loved hot chocolate - it was his favourite! I am going to make him a delicious mug full,' my sister said, running into the kitchen.
'Oh, and they will be thirsty after their long journey too,' my mother said. 'Valentina, bring two glasses of water, won't you,' she whispered to me.

My mother hung paper flags on the wall above the altar - colourful skulls, and colourful dancing skeletons.

My mother stood back to admire the beautiful altar. 'Oh! I almost forgot!' she gasped.

My mother ran to the kitchen and came back with a small white box. She handed the box to me.
'Oooh! These are beautiful!' I said as I opened the box of sugar skulls. I carefully put them next to the picture of Tio Pablo.

Finally, my mother added two candles - one for Tio Pablo and one for Abuela. As she lit the candles, I thought about my Tio and Abuela's souls making their way back home - to keep us company for the Día de los Muertos celebration.

## Second Read (Think Aloud)

As the family sets up the altar, they can show care and love for the people they have lost by doing special things for them - like making their favourite foods. I think this must help them deal with their grief.

As the family sets up the altar, they are reliving the memories of their Tio and their Abuela. I think this must help them to never forget the people who they loved - and to still feel close to them even though they are gone.

I think they are putting so much effort into making an elaborate altar because it helps them feel connected to their family members who have died.

I think spending time setting up an altar for Abuela and Tio Pablo helps the family deal with their grief, because they get to relive memories about them all day.

I think celebrating the dead once a year helps people deal with grief, because they have a time where they are meant to talk about and remember people who are gone.

## Follow up questions

What does the family remember about Tio and Abuela as they set up the altar?

How do you think the family feels as they set up the altar?

## Why question

How does this story relate to the theme of 'Grief'?

## Responses

The remember that Abuela loved marigolds, Tio and Abuela both loved spicy tamales, Tio Pablo's favourite drink was hot chocolate.

I think they feel...because..

## Possible responses

I think this relates to the theme of 'Grief' because...

## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

$\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 6.
2 Explain Thursday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Thursday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Friday

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- organise
- nostalgic
- portrait

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| Cry, cry, it's okay to cry | Put your arm around a friend's shoulder (as if to <br> comfort them) |
| When you're feeling sad! |  |
| The tears will help to ease your pain, |  |
| Then you won't feel so bad. |  |

## DISCUSSION OF SHARED READING TEXT

1 Write the discussion frame on the chalkboard:
This story is about...
One thing I learnt from the story was...
This story is related to the theme of 'Sadness and grief' because...
2 Read the discussion frame to learners.
3 Put the learners into their small groups.
4 Tell learners that everyone must take a turn to answer each discussion question.
5 Call the class to attention.
6 Ask different learners or a specific group to share their answers.
7 If answers are incorrect, correct them.
8 Thank learners for their contributions.

## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

Word Find
Write the table on the chalkboard that includes previously learnt sounds as well as the sounds taught on Tuesday and Wednesday.

| ph | oy | t |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| b | j | $\mathbf{n}$ |
| $\mathbf{e}$ | $\mathbf{l}$ | $\mathbf{c}$ |
| p | $\mathbf{o}$ | $\mathbf{a}$ |
| s | $\mathbf{i}$ | $\mathbf{d}$ |

## MODEL

1 Remind learners of the sounds of the week: /ph/ and /oy/
2 Review all of the sounds and blends on the chalkboard.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to make as many words as they can using the sounds and blends above.
4 Show learners how to make a word using a target sound, like: /t/-/oy/ = toy
5 Remind learners they can make a word using any of the sounds - they do not need to use /ph/ or /oy/
6 Show learners how to make another word, like: /n/-/e/-/t/= net

## LEARNERS DO

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the heading: ph, oy
2 Instruct learners to begin writing.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to find and build as many words as they can.
4 Allow learners to correct their own work. Show learners how to build these words (and others): phone, photo, phase, phonic, dolphin, toy, boy, joy, enjoy, ploy, coy, net, ten, past, last, dice, nice

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Post-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: SUMMARISE

## ORAL OR WRITTEN SUMMARY OF THE STORY

1 Explain that today we will think about the most important parts of the text.
2 We will also think about something we can connect to in the story.
3 We will rate the story out of 5 stars. We give a story five stars if we LOVE it. We give a story zero stars if we dislike it.
4 Write the summary frame on the chalkboard.
5 Instruct learners to use the frame to answer the question:
This story is about...(2-3 sentences)
The family in this story builds an altar because...
I learnt...
Out of 5 stars, I give this story...because...
6 Explain that learners will not be able to say everything about the text - they will need to choose the most important parts.
Model your own example for learners. Say: This story is about a family building an elaborate altar for Dia de los Muertos in Mexico. We learn that they are building an extra special altar because it is the first year since their uncle died. The family in this story builds an altar_because it is a special ritual they have to celebrate their dead. I learnt that food, drinks, and flowers are placed on the altar. Out of 5 stars, I give this story 5 stars because I learned so much about a new place!
7 Give learners time to think about the most important parts of the text.
8 Tell learners to turn and talk with a partner to share their ideas. / Tell learners to write their own summaries using the frame.
9 Call the class back together.
10 Ask 1-2 learners to share their summaries with the class.
Come up with a class summary, like: This story is about a family building an extra special altar because it is the first year since their uncle died. They live in Mexico and are celebrating the holiday of Dia de los Muertos. The family in this story builds an altarbecause it is a special ritual that helps them welcome their family members who have died back home for Dia de los Muertos. We learnt that food, drinks, photographs, and flowers are placed on the altar. Out of 5 stars, we give this story 5 stars because the illustrations are especially beautiful and we learned something new about Mexico!

## Group Guided Reading

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 6.
2 Explain Friday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Friday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## End of week language learning review

1 Settle learners on the carpet at the end of the day.
2 Conduct the weekly language review session. You may choose to combine HL and FAL learning in this review.
3 Remember to allow learners to 'Turn and Talk' and discuss their answers with a partner. Then, select a few learners to share their answers with the class.
4 Use the following prompting questions to guide the language part of your discussion:
a What was our language theme for the week?
b Which stories did we read together?
c What were your favourite new words of the week?
d What did you learn from the stories we read?
e What did we write about this week?
$f$ How did your own writing improve this week?
$g$ How did your own reading improve this week?
h What are you most proud of this week?
5 Finally, tell learners to think about two things that they are going to tell their families about what they learnt or how they improved at school this week.

Please note: This process of self review and reflection is a critically important part of learning. Please do not skip this weekly activity.


## Grade 3 <br> 

## THEME: History

## 阴目 Classroom Preparation

1 At the start of each week, ensure that your classroom is neat and tidy.
2 Update your DISPLAY BOARDS, by removing items that are no longer relevant, and storing them carefully.
3 Then, prepare the flashcard words and theme word illustrations that you will need.
4 Find and prepare items for your theme wall and table that will be of interest to learners, for instance: pictures of Great Zimbabwe; pictures of other historical landmarks from around the world.
5 Do some research on the internet to prepare for the theme. For example: facts about Great Zimbabwe
6 Make sure all learner exercise books and DBE Workbooks are marked, and neatly packed where they belong.
7 Make sure all your big books, graded readers and classroom library books are in good order.
8 Adjust your group guided reading groups if necessary.
9 Plan your informal and formal assessment activities for the week.

## Extension Activities

These activities can be used as independent work for learners who finish their work early
OR while you are giving assessments to learners.
Activity 1: DBE Workbook 2: Page 94, Let's read
Activity 2: DBE Workbook 2: Page $95-96$, Let's write
Activity 3: DBE Workbook 2: Page 97, Fun
Activity 4: Draw a picture and write about something in history you feel curious about.

## Monday

## INTRODUCE THE THEME: ACCESSING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

1 Show learners the stone ruins in the Big Book story: Shamiso's big trip
2 Tell learners that we are starting a new theme called: History
3 Draw a circle with the name of the theme in the middle of the chalkboard.
4 Ask learners: What do you already know about this theme?
5 Write down learners' ideas around the mind map. Group similar ideas together.
6 If learners struggle to respond, ask the following prompting questions:
a What is history?
b What do you know about history
c Why do you think history is important?

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- history
- ancient
- ancestor

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| What a mystery you are! | - |
| You can teach us something new, | Put your index finger on your head |
| There's so much to learn about you! | Spread your arms out wide |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| Oh how interesting you are! | - |

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the date.
2 Next tell learners to number from 1-5 in the margin.
3 Write the following sentence on the chalkboard next to number 1: My teacher gave me a treat on my last day of school.
4 Next, write the following pronouns (subject morphemes) next to numbers 2-5:
2 His
3 Her
4 Their
5 Our
5 Tell learners to rewrite sentence starting with the word provided.
6 In the last five minutes, correctly write the sentences on the chalkboard, saying the sounds and describing the cursive writing process as you do this.
7 Then, ask learners to point out any patterns they can see, like: where the sentence changes.
8 Underline any patterns, like:
1 My teacher gave me a treat on my last day of school.
2 His teacher gave him a treat on his last day of school.
3 Her teacher gave her a treat on her last day of school.
4 Their teacher gave them a treat on their last day of school.
5 Our teacher gave us a treat on our last day of school.
9 Instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.

## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$


Shared Reading:
15 minutes

## Pre-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: PREDICT

1 Settle learners on the carpet or so that they can see the Big Book.
2 Open the Big Book to the story: Shamiso's big trip
3 Do a picture walk of every page, asking learners what they think is happening.
4 Help learners to connect the pictures, so that they have a good sense of what the story is about.

5 Introduce new vocabulary at relevant parts of the story.
6 Read the story through once, without stopping.

## Writing:

## Plan And Draft

TOPIC: Interview an older person in your family to find out what school was like for them. Then, write two paragraphs about the interview.

TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

PLANNING STRATEGY: Write a list

## INTRODUCE THE WRITING TOPIC.

1 Show learners that you think before you write.
2 Orally, explain your ideas for your questions, like:
Today we will think of questions we would like to ask someone older in our family about what their education was like. Then, you will bring the questions home and complete the interview for homework. I will interview my grandmother because I am curious to find out more about what life was like for her when she was small.

## MODELLING THE PLANNING STRATEGY (I DO)

1 Have the planning frame written on one side of the chalkboard.
2 Show learners how you make a list by answering the questions.
3 Complete the plan on the other side of the chalkboard.

| Planning Questions | Plan |
| :--- | :--- |
| I will interview: | I will interview: My grandmother |
| Write 10 questions to ask during your | $\mathbf{1}$ Where did you go to school? |
| interview. | $\mathbf{2}$ How long ago did you begin school? |
|  | $\mathbf{3}$ What was your school like? |
|  | $\mathbf{4}$ What do you think was the same about |
|  | school then and now? |
|  | $\mathbf{5}$ What do you think was different when you |
|  | went to school? |
|  | $\mathbf{6}$ What did you like about school? |
|  | $\mathbf{7}$ What did you dislike about school? |
|  | $\mathbf{8}$ Who was your favourite teacher? Why? |
|  | $\mathbf{9}$ When did you stop going to school? |
|  | $\mathbf{1 0}$ Why did you stop going to school? |

LEARNERS USE THE PLANNING STRATEGY (YOU DO)
1 Tell learners to close their eyes and think of questions for their interview.
2 Next, tell learners to turn and talk with a partner, to share their stories.
3 Show learners the planning frame on the chalkboard, and tell them to use this frame to plan their writing, just like you did.
4 Hand out exercise books.
5 Tell learners they must write their own ideas - they must not copy your plan.
6 As learners work, walk around the room and hold mini-conferences.
7 Learners will need to complete the interview as homework by WEDNESDAY.
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1. Where did you go to school?
2. How long ago did you begin school?
3. What was your school like?
4. What do you think was the same about school then and now?
5. What do you think was different when you went to school?
6. What did you like about school?
7. What did you dislike about school?
8. Who was your favourite teacher? Why?
9. When did you stop going to school?
10. Why did you stope going to school?

## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

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1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 7.
2 Explain Monday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Monday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
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## Tuesday

I DO...
1 Say the sound: or
2 Say the word: horn
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /h/-/or/-/n/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /h/
5 Say the second sound of the word: /or/
6 Say the last single sound of the word: /n/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: horn
8 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /h/-/or/-/n/ = horn

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: or
2 Say the word: thorn
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /th/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /or/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /n/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /th/-/or/-/n/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: thorn
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /th/-/or/-/n/ = thorn

YOU DO...
1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: or words
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-6 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 for
2 fork
3 pork
4 horn
5 thorn
6 born
4 Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.
5 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.

6 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
7 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
$\qquad$

## Handwriting:

## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letter(s) in cursive: or
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.



## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

Shared Reading: 15 Minutes

## First Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGIES: VISUALISE

## Text

Shamiso's big trip
Shamiso and her family had been waiting for months for the school holiday. They were going to visit their family in Zimbabwe. On the way, they were making a stop at a place called Great Zimbabwe. Shamiso looked up 'Great Zimbabwe' on the Internet. She learned that it was a great city and palace from long ago. 'Wow! How cool!' she thought. She couldn't wait to see the place of her ancestors.

## First Read (Think Aloud)

| visualise Shamiso packing and getting ready days before the trip because she is so excited! I think she is so excited to learn more about how her ancestors lived!

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## Text

'Great Zimbabwe was built by our Shona ancestors!' her father told her. 'When I was a child, Zimbabwe was called Rhodesia and it was ruled by the British. The government didn't want people to know that it was Africans who created such an impressive place!' he said.

When the family finally arrived at Great Zimbabwe, Shamiso's dad stopped the car and went over to the ticket booth. He came back with their tickets and a tour guide.
'Welcome to Great Zimbabwe,' the guide said. 'This place was built hundreds of years ago beginning in the $11^{\text {th }}$ century!'

Their guide took them to the small museum first. 'Everything in this museum came from inside the ruins,' their guide told them.

First, the guide showed them eight carved birds. 'These birds were the symbols of our ancient kings,' he said. 'And look - this is the bird on our Zimbabwean flag!' he said, pointing to one of the carvings.

As they walked by the cases, Shamiso saw golden beads and copper wire. 'The people who lived here were rich in gold,' the tour guide explained.
'And those beads came all the way from China!' the guide added, pointing to some beautiful glass beads inside the case. 'This tells us that the people who lived here traded internationally!'
'Wow! How cool!' thought Shamiso, thinking about the jewelry of her ancestors.

Then, they walked to an enormous, round stone wall. 'This is called the Great Enclosure and it was a home for queens!' their guide explained. He went on, 'Zimbabwe is named after this big structure. Zimbabwe means a big stone house just like this one!'
Shamiso's dad bent down and whispered in her ear, 'This is the biggest stone structure in Africa other than the pyramids in Egypt.'
'Wow! How cool!' thought Shamiso, thinking about her ancestors building big stone walls.

First Read (Think Aloud)
I visualise Shamiso's father looking sad when he thinks about this!

I think Shamiso is visualising her ancestors hundreds of years ago, and wondering what life was like for them in this beautiful place!

I think that as Shamiso looks through the glass, she must be visualising one of her ancestors wearing these beautiful beads.

I visualise Shamiso's look of surprise when she learns this new fact!

I think that as Shamiso looks at the huge and impressive stone wall, she must be visualising her ancestors carrying and stacking all of the stone bricks!

| Text | First Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Next, their guide took them to a small village. <br> 'This has been rebuilt, so you can see what the <br> houses looked like when people really lived here <br> at Great Zimbabwe!' he explained. They also saw <br> a group of dancers. | I think that as Shamiso watches the dancers, she <br> must be visualising her ancestors in the same <br> spot, doing the same kind of dance! |
| 'These dancers are working to keep the ancient |  |
| dances alive!' the guide said. |  |

## Follow up questions

Where did Shamiso and her family go?
What did Shamiso see at Great Zimbabwe?

What do you visualise when you think about your ancestors?

## Why question

Why did Shamiso visualise her ancestors at the Great Zimbabwe?

## Responses

They went to Great Zimbabwe.

- She saw carved birds.
- She saw beads and copper wire.
- She saw the museum.
- She saw the Great Enclosure.
- She saw a huge, stone wall.
- Etc.

I visualise...

## Possible response

- Because Shamiso is Shona, just like the ancient people who built Great Zimbabwe.
- Because Shamiso is related to the ancient people who built Great Zimbabwe.
- Because Shamiso is trying to imagine what life was like for her ancestors who built Great Zimbabwe.


## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

$\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 7.
2 Explain Tuesday Activity $\mathbf{1}$ to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Tuesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
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## Wednesday

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- ruins
- century
- build
- rebuild

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| What a mystery you are! | - |
| You can teach us something new, | Put your index finger on your head |
| There's so much to learn about you! | Spread your arms out wide |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| Oh how interesting you are! | - |

## CREATIVE STORYTELLING

1 Divide learners into their small groups.
2 Hand each group a copy of the creative storytelling pictures.
3 Tell learners to think of a story that fits with the pictures.
4 Give learners a minute or two to think about their ideas.
5 Next every learner in the group must take a turn to share their version of the story.
6 Remind learners that their story should be creative, but also must fit with the pictures!
7 Remind learners to listen carefully to each other's stories.


8 Thank learners for sharing their stories.

## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

Revise Sounds, Blending And Segmenting
I DO...
1 Say the sound: ead (short/ed/ sound)
2 Say the word: head
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /h/-/ead/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /h/
5 Say the last sound of the word: /ead/
6 Write the word on the chalkboard: head
7 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /h/-/ead/ = head

WE DO...
1 Say the sound: ead (short/ed/ sound)
2 Say the word: bread
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /br/
4 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /ead/
5 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /br/-/ead/
6 Write the word on the chalkboard: bread
7 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /br/-/ead/ = bread

YOU DO...
1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: ead words.
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-6 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 bread
2 head
3 dead
4 read
5 dread
6 lead
Learners must write the words next to the correct number and underline the targeted sound in each word.
4 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
5 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
6 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$
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Handwriting:

## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letter(s) in cursive: ead
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.


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## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound／s： $\qquad$
Words： $\qquad$

Sentence： $\qquad$

TOPIC: Interview an older person in your family to find out what school was like for them. Then, write two paragraphs about the interview.

TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

## WRITING FRAME:

## Paragraph 1

I interviewed...
$\mathrm{He} /$ she went to school...(where and when?)
He / she thought school was...because...(tell us about what this person thought about school in 2-4 sentences)

Overall, school was...

## Paragraph 2

In my interview, I learnt...
School was similar to now because...
School was different from now because...
The most interesting thing I found out in my interview was...
PREPARATION: Before the writing lesson, write the plan you made on Monday on the chalkboard.

## MODELLING THE DRAFTING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Remind learners of the plan that you made on Monday.
2 Read through your plan that is written on the chalkboard.
3 Next, read through the writing frame with learners.
4 Model how you will complete the writing frame using your own plan, like:
I interviewed my grandmother. She went to school in Maputo, Mozambique. She began school when she was six years old - which was 64 years ago! She thought school was fun because she got to play with her friends at school. She loved when the teacher read books to the class. At that time, people didn't think girls should learn Maths so she felt discriminated against at school. She had one teacher named Mrs Maluka who she loved because she helped her with Maths when other teachers would not. Overall school was a fun place for visiting with friends but not a great place for learning.

In my interview, I learnt that my grandmother was discriminated against at school. She didn't like school because her teachers treated boys and girls differently - except Mrs Maluka. I think school was different from now because now teachers must treat girls and boys the same and teach girls and boys Maths. My grandmother had to leave school when she was 12 years old to work, but I want to stay in school until I am at least 18 years old. The most interesting thing I found out in my interview was that my grandmother didn't like school, because I thought everyone loved school!

## LEARNERS COMPLETE THE DRAFTING PROCESS (YOU DO)

1 Hand out learners' exercise books.
2 Instruct learners to write the date and heading: Interview: Draft
3 Tell learners to find their plan from Monday and think about their ideas.
4 Tell learners to complete the writing frame using their plans.
5 Tell learners that they can add more sentences or details if they have time.
6 Remind learners of the strategies they can use to help them.
7 As learners write, walk around the classroom and help learners who are struggling.

## Interview: Draft Paragraph 1

$i$ interview my grandmother. She went to col in italy. She began scoot when she was five years old. She thought scoot was fun because she lowed to learn new things. Her favorite leson was maths. She is really good at doing maths. Overall ecol was exiting for her.

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In my interview $I$ learnt that girls were only a lowed to go to ecol until age of 10 . School was different from now because now girls can go to col and get treed the same as boys.
Y he most interesting thing if found out in my interview was my grandmother had to walk 15 km to col every morning because her parents couldn't afford the bus. I thought if you lined in italy you were rich.

## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

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1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 7.
2 Explain Wednesday Activity $\mathbf{1}$ to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Wednesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Thursday

I DO...
1 Explain that today, we will practise looking for small differences in words. This helps us to be better readers.
2 Write these two words on the chalkboard: lead, read
3 Model finding the difference for learners, like: lead, read
4 Explain the difference, like: the /l/ and /r/ sounds are different, but everything else in the word is the same!

## WE DO...

PART 1
1 Write these two words on the chalkboard: thorn, horn
2 Ask learners: what is the difference between these two words?
3 Call on a learner to come and underline the difference between the two words, like: thorn, horn
4 Explain the difference between the two words.

## PART 2

1 Next, write this word on the chalkboard: born
2 Ask learners: What is one sound you could swop in this word to make it into a different word?
3 Write a list of learners' ideas on the chalkboard, like: horn, thorn, corn, scorn, form, uniform, unicorn, burn, bun, bin

## YOU DO...

1 Write this word on the chalkboard: bread
2 Instruct learners to make as many other words as they can, replacing only one sound in the word.
3 At the end of the call on learners to come up to the chalkboard and write one of their words.
4 Go through the words and explain which sound has been swopped. head, dead, read, dread, lead, ahead, tread, spread, instead

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Shared Reading:
15 minutes

## Second Read

## READING STRATEGIES: VISUALISE

| Text | Second Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Shamiso's big trip | -- |
| Shamiso and her family had been waiting for <br> months for the school holiday. They were going <br> to visit their family in Zimbabwe. On the way, <br> they were making a stop at a place called Great <br> Zimbabwe. Shamiso looked up 'Great Zimbabwe' <br> on the Internet. She learned that it was a great <br> city and palace from long ago. 'Wow! How cool!' <br> she thought. She couldn't wait to see the place <br> of her ancestors. |  |

## Text

As they walked by the cases, Shamiso saw golden beads and copper wire. 'The people who lived here were rich in gold,' the tour guide explained.
'And those beads came all the way from China!' the guide added, pointing to some beautiful glass beads inside the case. 'This tells us that the people who lived here traded internationally!'
'Wow! How cool!' thought Shamiso, thinking about the jewelry of her ancestors.

Then, they walked to an enormous, round stone wall. 'This is called the Great Enclosure and it was a home for queens!' their guide explained. He went on, 'Zimbabwe is named after this big structure. Zimbabwe means a big stone house just like this one!'

Shamiso's dad bent down and whispered in her ear, 'This is the biggest stone structure in Africa other than the pyramids in Egypt.'
'Wow! How cool!' thought Shamiso, thinking about her ancestors building big stone walls.

Next, their guide took them to a small village. 'This has been rebuilt, so you can see what the houses looked like when people really lived here at Great Zimbabwe!' he explained. They also saw a group of dancers.
'These dancers are working to keep the ancient dances alive!' the guide said.
'Wow! How cool!' thought Shamiso, thinking about the beautiful music and dancing of her ancestors.

Finally, their guide took them on a steep walk up a big hill. 'This was a religious space, where special ceremonies were performed,' he explained. 'This is where the stone-carved birds in the museum were found! And look!' he said, pointing to giant boulders on the hilltop. 'Those boulders look like a bird too!'
'Wow! How cool!' thought Shamiso, thinking about her ancestors praying together.

## Second Read (Think Aloud)

I visualise Shamiso looking at the bracelets and necklaces inside the case and feeling proud of the skills of her ancestors!

I visualise Shamiso admiring how the stones in the giant wall fit together and feeling proud of the architect who designed the Great Enclosure.

I visualise Shamiso listening to the beat of the drum and feeling proud of the dances her ancestors created and passed down!
Text
Shamiso stood at the edge of the hill with her
dad, overlooking the beautiful green hills and
the dam in the distance. They could see the
stone ruins dotting the landscape. 'Wow! How
cool!' she said, I'm proud of all the work of our
ancestors!'
'Me too!' her dad said, smiling.

## Follow up questions

How did Shamiso and her dad feel at the end of the story?

What is the only stone structure in Africa that is bigger than Great Zimbabwe?

Visualise your own family at Great Zimbabwe. What would you feel most excited to see?

## Why question

Why did Shamiso and her dad feel proud?

## Second Read (Think Aloud)

I visualise Shamiso and her dad smiling with pride as they look out on the work of their impressive ancestors

## Possible responses

They felt proud of their ancestors.

The pyramids in Egypt

I would feel most excited to see..

## Possible response

- Because their ancestors did so many amazing things.
- Because their ancestors were good builders.
- Because their ancestors were traders.
- Because their ancestors knew how to make beautiful jewelry.
- Because their ancestors were great builders with stone


## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

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1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 7.
2 Explain Thursday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Thursday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Friday

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- structure
- museum
- ground
- underneath

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| What a mystery you are! | - |
| You can teach us something new, | Put your index finger on your head |
| There's so much to learn about you! | Spread your arms out wide |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| Oh how interesting you are! | - |

## DISCUSSION OF SHARED READING TEXT

1 Write the discussion frame on the chalkboard:
This story is about...
One thing I learnt from the story was...
When I think about Great Zimbabwe, I visualise...
2 Read the discussion frame to learners.
3 Put the learners into their small groups.
4 Tell learners that everyone must take a turn to answer each discussion question.
5 Call the class to attention.
6 Ask different learners or a specific group to share their answers.
7 If answers are incorrect, correct them.
8 Thank learners for their contributions.

## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

Word Find
Write the table on the chalkboard that includes previously learnt sounds as well as the sounds taught on Tuesday and Wednesday.

| or | ead | $\mathbf{f}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{k}$ | $\mathbf{p}$ | $\mathbf{h}$ |
| $\mathbf{n}$ | $\mathbf{t}$ | $\mathbf{b}$ |
| $\mathbf{r}$ | $\mathbf{a}$ | $\mathbf{l}$ |
| $\mathbf{i}$ | $\mathbf{d}$ | $\mathbf{e}$ |

## MODEL

1 Remind learners of the sounds of the week: /or/ and /ead/
2 Review all of the sounds and blends on the chalkboard.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to make as many words as they can using the sounds and blends above.
4 Show learners how to make a word using a target sound, like: /r/-/ead/ = read
5 Remind learners they can make a word using any of the sounds - they do not need to use /or/ or /ead/
6 Show learners how to make another word, like: /d/-/r/-/i/-/n/-/k/ = drink

## LEARNERS DO

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the heading: or, ead
2 Instruct learners to begin writing.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to find and build as many words as they can.
4 Allow learners to correct their own work. Show learners how to build these words (and others): for, fork, pork, horn, thorn, born, bread, head, dead, read, dread, lead, drink, link, rail, nail, like, bike

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Post-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: SUMMARISE / MAKE INFERENCES

## ILLUSTRATE THE TEXT

1 Settle the learners at their desks, with their exercise books or blank paper, pencils and crayons.
2 Explain that today learners will write and draw about what a character in the story is thinking or feeling.
3 Model how you choose a character and infer what they are thinking or feeling, like: Shamiso is looking at the Great Enclosure and feeling amazed!
4 Draw your own picture on the chalkboard of Shamiso looking amazed.
5 Use modelling to add a thought bubble to your illustration with one or two sentences inside, like:This is amazing! I wonder how it was built?
6 Next, tell learners that they are going to choose a character and make an inference about what they are thinking or feeling.
7 Ask learners to close their eyes and relax. Read the text to them once more.
8 Ask learners to open their eyes, and draw their ideas.
9 Finally, ask learners to turn and talk, and to share their illustration with a partner.

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 7.
2 Explain Friday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Friday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## End of week language learning review

1 Settle learners on the carpet at the end of the day.
2 Conduct the weekly language review session. You may choose to combine HL and FAL learning in this review.
3 Remember to allow learners to 'Turn and Talk' and discuss their answers with a partner. Then, select a few learners to share their answers with the class.
4 Use the following prompting questions to guide the language part of your discussion:
a What was our language theme for the week?
b Which stories did we read together?
c What were your favourite new words of the week?
d What did you learn from the stories we read?
e What did we write about this week?
f How did your own writing improve this week?
g How did your own reading improve this week?
$h$ What are you most proud of this week?
5 Finally, tell learners to think about two things that they are going to tell their families about what they learnt or how they improved at school this week.

Please note: This process of self review and reflection is a critically important part of learning. Please do not skip this weekly activity.

## Grade 3 TERM 4 <br> 



## THEME: History

## 阴目 Classroom Preparation

1 At the start of each week, ensure that your classroom is neat and tidy.
2 Update your DISPLAY BOARDS, by removing items that are no longer relevant, and storing them carefully.
3 Then, prepare the flashcard words and theme word illustrations that you will need.
4 Add items for your theme wall and table that will be of interest to learners, for instance: Pictures of Nelson Mandela, pictures of Simon Nkoli, pictures of the struggle against Apartheid, pictures of Pride marches in South Africa today
5 Do some research on the internet to prepare for the theme. For example: Who was Simon Nkoli?
6 Make sure all learner exercise books and DBE Workbooks are marked, and neatly packed where they belong.
7 Make sure all your big books, graded readers and classroom library books are in good order.

## Extension Activities

These activities can be used as independent work for learners who finish their work early OR while you are giving assessments to learners.

Activity 1: DBE Workbook 2: Page 102, Let's read
Activity 2: DBE Workbook 2: Page 103 - 105, Let's write
Activity 3: DBE Workbook 2: Page 106, Let's read and page 107 - 109, Let's write
Activity 4: Draw and write about something you know about history.

## Monday

## RECAP THE THEME: ACCESSING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

1 Show learners the picture of Simon Nkoli and Nelson Mandela in the Big Book story: $\underline{A}$ hero named Simon Nkoli
2 Tell learners that we are continuing our theme: History
3 Draw a circle with the name of the theme in the middle of the chalkboard.
4 Ask learners: What have you learned about this theme so far?
5 Write down learners' ideas around the mind map. Group similar ideas together.
6 If learners struggle to respond, ask the following prompting questions:
a What do you know about history?
b Why do you think history is important? (What have we learnt so far?)
c What questions do you have about history?

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- hero
- rights
- equal rights
- equality

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| What a mystery you are! | - |
| You can teach us something new, | Put your index finger on your head |
| There's so much to learn about you! | Spread your arms out wide |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| Oh how interesting you are! | - |

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books and write the date and heading Singular to Plural Words.
2 Next tell learners to write numbers 1-5 in the margin, skipping lines between numbers.
3 Call out the singular words as follows. Learners must write these words next to the correct number.

## Singular to Plural Words

1 loaf
2 wolf
3 shelf
4 thief
5 leaf
4 Next, instruct learners to rewrite the words as plurals, on the line below.
5 In the last five minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, saying the sounds and describing the cursive writing process as you do this.
6 Then, ask learners to point out any patterns they can see, like: where the words change.
7 Underline these patterns, like:

## Singular to Plural Words

1 loaf
loaves
2 wolf
wolves
3 shelf
shelves
4 thief
thieves
5 leaf
leaves
8 Tell learners to think about these patterns when they are reading or writing.
9 Instruct learners to take a coloured pencil and correct their own work.

## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Pre-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: PREDICT

1 Settle learners on the carpet or so that they can see the Big Book.
2 Open the Big Book to the story: A hero named Simon Nkoli
3 Do a picture walk of every page, asking learners what they think is happening.
4 Help learners to connect the pictures, so that they have a good sense of what the story is about.
5 Introduce new vocabulary at relevant parts of the story.
6 Read the story through once, without stopping.

Writing: 30 minutes

## Edit

TOPIC: Interview an older person in your family to find out what school was like for them. Then, write two paragraphs about the interview.

TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

## PREPARATION:

- Write the editing checklist on the chalkboard before the start of the writing lesson.
- Write your draft on the chalkboard before the lesson. Include one or two mistakes.


## EDITING CHECKLIST:

1 Did I write about my interview using the past tense?
2 Did I use third person ('he / she')?
3 Did I write at least 12 sentences split into two paragraphs?
4 Did I spell all words correctly?
5 Does every sentence start with a capital letter?
6 Does every sentence end with proper punctuation?

## MODEL THE EDITING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Read the editing checklist aloud to learners.
2 Next, read your draft aloud to learners.
3 Go through the checklist, and point out whether your draft is correct, or whether you need to make corrections or improvements.
4 Model the correction process for learners.

LEARNERS COMPLETE THE EDITING PROCESS (YOU DO)
1 Hand out exercise books.
2 Tell learners to find their draft of the writing task.
3 Next, tell learners to go through the editing checklist and make any corrections or improvements that are required.
4 As learners work, walk around the room and hold mini-conferences - ensure you work with a different group of learners for every writing task.
5 Look for any common errors in learners' writing.
6 Call learners to attention and write the commonly made errors on the chalkboard.
7 Show learners how to correct these errors.
Interview: Draft
Paragraph 1
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Paragraph 2
In my interviews 9 learnt that girls were orly allowed to go to o cool until the of of 10 .
School was different from now because now girls can go to sociol and get treated the acme as loo.
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## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

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1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 8.
2 Explain Monday Activity 1 to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Monday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Tuesday

## I DO...

1 Say the sound: wr
2 Say the word: wrap
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /wr/-/a/-/p/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /wr/
5 Say the second sound of the word: /a/
6 Say the last single sound of the word: /p/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: wrap
8 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /wr/-/a/-/p/ = wrap

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: au
2 Say the word: pause
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /p/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /au/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /se/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /p/-/au/-/se/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: pause
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /p/-/au/-/se/ = pause

YOU DO...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading:
wr, au words
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-10 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 write
2 wrote
3 wrong
4 wrap
5 wrist
6 August
7 fraud
8 pause
9 launch

## 10 haunt

4 Learners must write the words next to the correct number, and underline the targeted sound in each word.
5 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
6 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
7 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Handwriting:

15 minutes

## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letter(s) in cursive: wr, au
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.



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票－nuap
要－nurist
－Clugrist
\％froud

造－lounch
孚－hount
䒴－becauser
䓵－I wroter a note on－my wist
造－Is will pause－to lounch ther ice：

## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## First Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGIES: SEARCH THE TEXT

| Text | First Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- |
| A hero named Simon Nkoli <br> My teacher told us to write a paragraph on <br> our heroes. That night, I sat at the table in the <br> kitchen while my dad cooked supper. 'Who is <br> your hero?' I asked him. 'I don't think I have one,' <br> I confessed. | Who is the narrator's hero? Oh, I learn that she <br> doesn't have a hero. |
| 'Well, my hero is Simon Nkoli. Have I ever told <br> you about him?' he asked. <br> I shook my head. I had never heard of Simon <br> Nkoli before. | Who is the narrator's father's hero? I read here <br> that it is someone named Simon Nkoli. |
| 'Well, Simon Nkoli was born right here in Soweto,' <br> my dad said. 'Simon was an anti-Apartheid <br> activist. He fought for our rights as black people <br> - to be able to learn, work, and live wherever we <br> choose.' | Where was Simon Nkoli from? I learn that he <br> was born in Soweto. |
| 'Oh, like Nelson Mandela?' I asked. We had <br> learned about President Nelson Mandela at <br> school, but not about Simon Nkoli. I wondered <br> why my dad's hero was Simon Nkoli rather than <br> Nelson Mandela. |  |

## Text

'Well, in some ways, Simon Nkoli was like Nelson Mandela,' my father explained. 'They both fought against Apartheid. They both believed in the struggle for our rights so strongly that they even went to jail.'
'Why did they go to jail?' I asked. 'Did they do something wrong?'
'No, they didn't do anything wrong,' he reassured me. 'But, during Apartheid, the police arrested and jailed people who protested and spoke out about racism in South African,' he said.
'So how were they different, then?' I asked. So far, it sounded like Nelson Mandela and Simon Nkoli were pretty similar.
'Simon Nkoli wasn't just fighting against Apartheid - he was also fighting for the rights of all South Africans to love and build families in any way we choose,' my father continued.
'What do you mean?' I asked, a bit confused.
'Simon Nkoli didn't just fight against Apartheid. He also fought for equal human rights for everyone. He was fighting two fights for me and your Papa- he was fighting for our rights as black people and for our rights to be together.'
'You mean, there was a time when you and Papa weren't allowed to be together?' I asked. Most of my friends didn't have two dads like me, but I had never really thought about it before.
'That's right,' said my dad. 'Thankfully, when Apartheid ended, our new government made laws to ensure equal human rights for all. We live in one of the few countries in the world where there are laws to protect you, no matter your race, religion, or who you choose to marry.'
'But,' said Papa, 'We still have to be extra careful. Even in South Africa, there are still people who call us bad names, or want to hurt us,' he explained. 'Not everyone believes in equality for all. We still need heroes like Nelson Mandela, Simon Nkoli and Charlotte Maxeke, who fought for the rights of black women.'
My dad pulled out some old pictures. 'Here is a photo of Simon Nkoli and President Mandela,' he said, smiling. 'Oh, and here is one of Papa and I with Simon!' My dad gave the pictures to me, and I used a magnet to stick them on our fridge.

## First Read (Think Aloud)

Why did the police put Simon Nkoli in jail? Oh! I learn that it is because he protested and spoke out against racism - not because he did anything wrong.

I have learnt that Simon Nkoli fought against apartheid. What else did he fight for? I learn that he fought for equal human rights for everyone.

What happened when apartheid ended? Oh, I learn that the new government made laws to ensure equal rights for everyone.

Where did the narrator stick the picture of Simon Nkoli and Nelson Mandela? She stuck it on the fridge.

| Text | First Read (Think Aloud) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| II hope those pictures remind us that we must <br> never think it is okay to treat people like they <br> are less - no matter the reason,' my father said, <br> using his most serious voice. |  |
| I stared at the pictures, thinking about what life <br> was like for my dad when he was young. | -- |
| I took out my exercise book. 'I think I am going <br> to write about Simon Nkoli for my paragraph,' I <br> decided. 'He helped our family, so I think he's my <br> hero too!' | Who did the narrator decide to write her <br> paragraph about? I learn that she will write <br> about her dad's hero: Simon Nkoli! |
| Follow up questions | Possible responses |
| Who was the narrator's hero at the beginning of <br> the story? | The narrator said she didn't have a hero. |
| Who did the narrator decide to write her <br> paragraph about? | She decided to write about Simon Nkoli. |
| Why question | Possible responses |
| Why did the narrator's father tell her about <br> Simon Nkoli? | - Because Simon Nkoli is his hero <br> Because he wanted her to learn about Simon <br> Nkoli <br> Because the narrator had to write a paragraph <br> about a hero, but she didn't have one |
| Maybe because he wanted to teach the |  |
| narrator about how Simon Nkoli fought for |  |
| equal rights |  |

## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

$\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 8.
2 Explain Tuesday Activity $\mathbf{1}$ to the whole class.
3 Call the first group to work with you.
4 After 15 minutes, send the group back to their seats.
5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Tuesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
7 Call the second group to work with you.
8 Fill in your Tracker to show which groups you listened to, and what they read.
9 Make note of any changes to be made to reading groups or activities.

## Wednesday

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- government
- protest
- unfair

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| What a mystery you are! | - |
| You can teach us something new, | Put your index finger on your head |
| There's so much to learn about you! | Spread your arms out wide |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| Oh how interesting you are! | - |

## CREATIVE STORYTELLING

1 Divide learners into their small groups.
2 Hand each group a copy of the creative storytelling pictures.
3 Remind learners that last week, they made up their own stories around the pictures.
4 This week, learners must work as a group to decide on a group story.
5 Remind learners that their story should be creative, but also must fit with the pictures!
6 Call the class to attention.
7 Ask 1-2 different groups to share their group stories.
8 Thank learners for sharing their stories.


## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

## Revise Sounds, Blending And Segmenting

I DO...
1 Say the sound: oi
2 Say the word: soil
3 Segment the word into the individual sounds: /s/-/oi/-/l/
4 Say the first sound of the word: /s/
5 Say the second sound of the word: /oi/
6 Say the last sound of the word: /l/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: soil
8 Model pointing to and blending the sounds to make a word: /s/-/oi/-/l/ = soil

## WE DO...

1 Say the sound: ew
2 Say the word: news
3 Ask learners: What is the first sound in the word? /n/
4 Ask learners: What is the second sound in the word? /ew/
5 Ask learners: What is the last sound in the word? /s/
6 Ask learners to segment the word into each individual sound: /n/-/ew/-/s/
7 Write the word on the chalkboard: news
8 Instruct learners to blend the sounds in the word with you: /n/-/ew/-/s/ = news

## YOU DO...

1 Tell learners to take out their exercise books and write the date and heading: oi, ew words.
2 Next, tell learners to number from 1-10 in the margin.
3 Call out the following words:
1 coin
2 oil
3 soil
4 boil
5 foil
6 new
7 news
8 few
9 dew
10 knew

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4 Learners must write the words next to the correct number, and underline the targeted sound in each word.
5 In the last two minutes of the lesson, correctly write the words on the chalkboard, and underline the targeted sound.
6 Tell learners to correct their work with a coloured pencil.
7 Explain to learners that they will learn how to write this sound in CURSIVE in the next lesson.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

HandWriting:
15 minutes

## Write letter(s) / words / sentences in cursive

1 Teach learners to correctly form the lower case letter(s) in cursive: $\mathbf{o i}$, ew
2 Model writing the letter(s) for right-handed learners and then left-handed learners.
3 Then tell learners to work with a partner and to write the letter(s) on each other's backs with their fingers.
4 After this tell learners to write the letter(s) on their desks with their fingers.
5 Finally, show learners once again how to form the letter(s) and words on the chalkboard.
6 Learners must then copy the sound/words/sentences into their books.
7 Learners must underline the targeted sound in any words/sentences written.


等－oil
票－soil
俘－boil
存－foil
相
草－new
縣－neus
票－feriv
莩地
萼－dew
萼－knew
草 ban I boil oil in foil？


## ALTERNATE HANDWRITING PROGRAMME

Sounds: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

Sentence: $\qquad$

## Publish And Present

TOPIC: Interview an older person in your family to find out what school was like for them. Then, write two paragraphs about the interview.

TASK: Drafts, writes, edits and publishes own story of at least two paragraphs (at least 12 sentences)

## WRITING FRAME:

## Paragraph 1

I interviewed...
$\mathrm{He} /$ she went to school...(where and when?)
He / she thought school was...because...(tell us about what this person thought about school in 2-4 sentences)

Overall, school was...

## Paragraph 2

In my interview, I learnt...
School was similar to now because...
School was different from now because...
The most interesting thing I found out in my interview was...
PREPARATION: Before the writing lesson, write the edited draft you made on Monday on the chalkboard.

## MODELLING THE PUBLISHING PROCESS (I DO)

1 Remind learners that on Monday you used the editing checklist to edit your drafts.
2 Next, tell learners that today we will publish and present our final piece of writing.
3 Show learners how you rewrite your own piece of writing, with a title and date.

## LEARNERS COMPLETE THE PUBLISHING PROCESS (YOU DO)

1 Hand out learners' exercise books.
2 Instruct learners to write the date and heading: My interview with...
3 Tell learners to neatly rewrite their final piece of writing, with no mistakes.
4 If learners have time, they can draw a quick illustration.
5 As learners write, walk around the classroom and help learners who are struggling.

## LEARNERS PRESENT THEIR WRITING

1 In the last five minutes of the lesson, tell learners to put down their pens and pencils.
2 Tell learners to Turn and Talk and read their writing to a partner.
3 Once learners have done this, call on one or two learners to read their writing to the class.
4 Display learners' writing at eye-level to allow them to read each other's writing.

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My interview with my grandmother
I interviewed my grandmother. She went to school in Italy. She began school when she was five years old. She thought school was fun because she lowed to learn new things. Her favourite lesson was maths. She is really good at doing maths. Overall, school was exciting for her.

In my interview, I learnt that girls were only allowed to go to school until the age of 10. School was different from now because now girls can go to school and get treated the same as boys. The most interesting thing $y$ found out in my interview was my grandmother had tor walk 15 km to school every morning because her parents couldrit afford the bus. I thought if you lived in Italy you were rich.


## Group Guided Reading

## GROUPS:

$\qquad$
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5 Do a Reading Transition Activity.
6 Explain Wednesday Activity 2 to the whole class.
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## Thursday

I DO...
1 Explain that today, we will practise looking for small differences in words. This helps us to be better readers.
2 Write these two words on the chalkboard: few, dew
3 Model finding the difference for learners, like: few, dew
4 Explain the difference, like: the /f/ and /d/sounds are different, but everything else in the word is the same!

## WE DO...

PART 1
1 Write these two words on the chalkboard: launch, lunch
2 Ask learners: what is the difference between these two words?
3 Call on a learner to come and underline the difference between the two words, like: launch, lunch
4 Explain the difference between the two words.

## PART 2

1 Next, write this word on the chalkboard: wrap
2 Ask learners: What is one sound you could swop in this word to make it into a different word?

3 Write a list of learners' ideas on the chalkboard, like: strap, cap, sap, map, chap

## YOU DO...

1 Write this word on the chalkboard: pause
2 Instruct learners to make as many other words as they can, replacing only one sound in the word.
3 At the end of the call on learners to come up to the chalkboard and write one of their words.
4 Go through the words and explain which sound has been swopped. cause, clause, because, applause

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Second Read

## READING STRATEGIES: SEARCH THE TEXT

## Text

## A hero named Simon Nkoli

My teacher told us to write a paragraph on our heroes. That night, I sat at the table in the kitchen while my dad cooked supper. 'Who is your hero?' I asked him. 'I don't think I have one,' I confessed.
'Well, my hero is Simon Nkoli. Have I ever told you about him?' he asked.

I shook my head. I had never heard of Simon Nkoli before.
'Well, Simon Nkoli was born right here in Soweto,' my dad said. 'Simon was an anti-Apartheid activist. He fought for our rights as black people - to be able to learn, work, and live wherever we choose.'
'Oh, like Nelson Mandela?' I asked. We had learned about President Nelson Mandela at school, but not about Simon Nkoli. I wondered why my dad's hero was Simon Nkoli rather than Nelson Mandela.
'Well, in some ways, Simon Nkoli was like Nelson Mandela,' my father explained. 'They both fought against Apartheid. They both believed in the struggle for our rights so strongly that they even went to jail.'
'Why did they go to jail?' I asked. 'Did they do something wrong?'
'No, they didn't do anything wrong,' he reassured me. 'But, during Apartheid, the police arrested and jailed people who protested and spoke out about racism in South African,' he said.
'So how were they different, then?' I asked. So far, it sounded like Nelson Mandela and Simon Nkoli were pretty similar.

## Second Read (Think Aloud)

| remember that the narrator's father's hero was Simon Nkoli.

Why was Simon Nkoli the narrator's father's hero? I think it is because he was an activist who fought for equal rights.

How were Simon Nkoli and Nelson Mandela similar? I learn here that they both fought against apartheid. They both even went to jail for what they believed in!

## Text

'Simon Nkoli wasn't just fighting against Apartheid - he was also fighting for the rights of all South Africans to love and build families in any way we choose,' my father continued.
'What do you mean?' I asked, a bit confused.
'Simon Nkoli didn't just fight against Apartheid. He also fought for equal human rights for everyone. He was fighting two fights for me and your Papa- he was fighting for our rights as black people and for our rights to be together.'

You mean, there was a time when you and Papa weren't allowed to be together?' I asked. Most of my friends didn't have two dads like me, but I had never really thought about it before.
'That's right,' said my dad. 'Thankfully, when Apartheid ended, our new government made laws to ensure equal human rights for all. We live in one of the few countries in the world where there are laws to protect you, no matter your race, religion, or who you choose to marry.'
'But,' said Papa, 'We still have to be extra careful. Even in South Africa, there are still people who call us bad names, or want to hurt us,' he explained. 'Not everyone believes in equality for all. We still need heroes like Nelson Mandela, Simon Nkoli and Charlotte Maxeke, who fought for the rights of black women.'

My dad pulled out some old pictures. 'Here is a photo of Simon Nkoli and President Mandela,' he said, smiling. 'Oh, and here is one of Papa and I with Simon!' My dad gave the pictures to me, and I used a magnet to stick them on our fridge.
'I hope those pictures remind us that we must never think it is okay to treat people like they are less - no matter the reason,' my father said, using his most serious voice.

I stared at the pictures, thinking about what life was like for my dad when he was young.

I took out my exercise book. 'I think I am going to write about Simon Nkoli for my paragraph,' I decided. 'He helped our family, so I think he's my hero too!'

## Second Read (Think Aloud)

How were Simon Nkoli and Nelson Mandela different? Simon Nkoli was fighting against apartheid and for the rights of all people to love and build families in different ways.

What is special about the laws in South Africa? The laws protect people no matter their race, religion, or who they choose to marry. That is different from other countries in the world.

Why does the narrator's family need to be extra careful? Because there are people who don't believe in equality for all.

When is it okay to treat people like they are less? Oh, I read here that, according to the narrator's father, it is never okay!

What did the narrator learn about was different for her father when he was young? She learns that her father didn't have equal rights.

Why did the narrator decide to write her paragraph about Simon Nkoli? Oh, because Simon Nkoli helped fight for equal rights for all South Africans.

## Follow up questions

How were Simon Nkoli and Nelson Mandela similar?

How were Simon Nkoli and Nelson Mandela different?

## Why question

Why did the narrator in the story decide to write her paragraph about Simon Nkoli?

## Responses

- They both fought against apartheid
- They both went to jail for their beliefs
- They both spoke out against racism

Simon Nkoli also fought for people to be able to love and build families in any way they choose.

## Possible responses

- Because her father's hero was Simon Nkoli, and she didn't have a hero of her own.
- Because Simon Nkoli helped the narrator's family.
- Because she decided that Simon Nkoli was her hero after her father told her all about him.

Group Guided Reading

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## Friday

## THEME VOCABULARY

1 Teach using PATS.
2 Display words and illustrations on the Theme Vocabulary Board.

- arrest
- jail
- speak out

| Rhyme or song | Actions |
| :--- | :--- |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| What a mystery you are! | - |
| You can teach us something new, | Put your index finger on your head |
| There's so much to learn about you! | Spread your arms out wide |
| History history, a time so far | Use your thumbs to point backwards |
| Oh how interesting you are! | - |

## DISCUSSION OF SHARED READING TEXT

1 Write the discussion frame on the chalkboard:
This story is about...
One thing I liked about this story was...
My hero is...because...
2 Read the discussion frame to learners.
3 Put the learners into their small groups.
4 Tell learners that everyone must take a turn to answer each discussion question.
5 Call the class to attention.
6 Ask different learners or a specific group to share their answers.
7 If answers are incorrect, correct them.
8 Thank learners for their contributions.

## Phonemic Awareness And Phonics:

Word Find
Write the table on the chalkboard that includes all the sounds covered this term.

| kn | ir | er |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a | r | h |
| ue | wr | ew |
| s | e | k |
| c | aw | au |
| i | h | o |
| oi | ph | oy |
| l | u | d |
| or | ead | b |

## MODEL

1 Review all of the sounds and blends on the chalkboard.
2 Give learners 3 minutes to make as many words as they can using the sounds and blends above.

## LEARNERS DO

1 Tell learners to open their exercise books.
2 Instruct learners to begin writing.
3 Give learners 3 minutes to find and build as many words as they can.
4 Allow learners to correct their own work.
5 Ask learners to share words they have built, and write them on the chalkboard.

## ALTERNATE PHONICS PROGRAMME

Sound/s: $\qquad$
Words: $\qquad$

## Shared Reading:

## Post-Read

## COMPREHENSION STRATEGY: SUMMARISE / SEARCH THE TEXT

## WRITTEN COMPREHENSION

1 Before the lesson begins, write the following heading, questions and sentence starters on the board.
2 Read through the questions with learners, and explain them if necessary.
3 Tell learners to turn and talk and discuss these questions with a partner.
4 Then, learners must open their exercise books, write the date and heading, and write the answers to the questions.
5 In the last five minutes of the lesson, go through the answers with learners, and allow them to correct their own work.

## A HERO NAMED SIMON NKOLI

1 Where was Simon Nkoli born?
He was born...
2 What did Simon Nkoli fight for?
Simon Nkoli fought for...
3 What was one thing that was similar about Simon Nkoli and Nelson Mandela? They both...

## A HERO NAMED SIMON NKOLI - ANSWERS

1 Where was Simon Nkoli born? He was born in Soweto.

2 What did Simon Nkoli fight for? Simon Nkoli fought for equal rights.
3 What was one thing that was similar about Simon Nkoli and Nelson Mandela? They both fought against apartheid / spoke out against racism / went to jail for their beliefs.

## Group Guided Reading

GROUPS: $\qquad$
1 Settle the whole class with Reading Worksheet 8.
2 Explain Friday Activity 1 to the whole class.
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## End of week language learning review

1 Settle learners on the carpet at the end of the day.
2 Conduct the weekly language review session. You may choose to combine HL and FAL learning in this review.
3 Remember to allow learners to 'Turn and Talk' and discuss their answers with a partner. Then, select a few learners to share their answers with the class.
4 Use the following prompting questions to guide the language part of your discussion:
a What was our language theme for the week?
b Which stories did we read together?
c What were your favourite new words of the week?
d What did you learn from the stories we read?
e What did we write about this week?
f How did your own writing improve this week?
$g$ How did your own reading improve this week?
h What are you most proud of this week?
5 Finally, tell learners to think about two things that they are going to tell their families about what they learnt or how they improved at school this week.

Please note: This process of self review and reflection is a critically important part of learning. Please do not skip this weekly activity.
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[^0]:    I visualise Shamiso using Google to research Great Zimbabwe. I visualise her clicking through all the pictures she can find!

