Class -7N Navigator Curriculum - English/Lessons weekly

Kerboodle Quest book 1

Year	2025 – 2026 Autumn 1	2025 – 2026 Autumn 2	2025 – 2026 Spring 1	2025 – 2026 Spring 2	2025 – 2026 Summer 1	2025 – 2026 Summer 2
	Topic: 1. Texts all	Topic: 1. Texts all	Topic: 2. Crime and	Topic: 2. Crime and	Topic: 3. Journeys	Topic: 3. Journeys
2025-26	around us	around us	consequences	consequences	and discoveries	and discoveries
	Key questions,	Key questions,	Key questions,	Key questions,	Key questions,	Key questions,
	Key skills and knowledge	Key skills and knowledge	Key skills and knowledge	Key skills and knowledge	Key skills and knowledge	Key skills and knowledge
	1.1 When is a text a	1.5 What is a classic	2.1 Why do we	2.5 What's the	3.1 How do	3.5 What is travel
	text?	text?	love crime fiction?	news?	journeys create	writing?
	Source texts: Captain	Source text: The	Source texts: 'Four	Source text: Model	jeopardy?	Source text: Blog post
	Scott letter 'How not	Lion, the Witch and	Reasons We Love	railway destroyed	Source text: The	by Alastair Humphreys
	to care what other	the Wardrobe by C.	Binging Crime	news article	Body by Stephen	
	people think of you'	S. Lewis	Shows' article Crime		King	<u>LO:</u>
	blog by Tavi		fiction blurbs	LO:		 Learn about the key
	Gevinson.	<u>LO:</u>		 Learn about the 	<u>LO:</u>	conventions of travel
		 Learn what qualities 	<u>LO:</u>	structure and	 Learn how writers 	writing
	<u>LO:</u>	make a text a classic	 Learn about the 	features of a news	make deliberate word	 Identify the effects of
	 Learn to recognise 	 Explore how 	genre of crime fiction	report	choices to create a	grammatical features in
	different sorts of text	language and	 Identify genre 	 Identify the writer's 	sense of danger •	travel writing
	Understand how to	structural features	conventions and	perspective and how	Explore the features	Write about a journey
	identify the purpose,	are used to help to	explore how they	it is presented	of a coming-of-age	around your
	audience and form of	build character	impact on the reader	Write your own	story	neighbourhood
	a text	Write about a	Write a plan for your	crime report	Analyse how a	Marie and Daniel Language Comment
	Write about a text,	classic text, showing	own crime story	NAME of the Language of the	writer creates a	What I'm learning: I
	commenting on its	your understanding of	M/h at l'un la auniment	What I'm learning: I	sense of jeopardy in	know that Texts can take
	key features	its appeal	What I'm learning: I know that	know that • Writers and	a text	Texts can take narrative forms and
	What I'm learning: I	What I'm learning: I	• Genre is a way of	speakers change the	What I'm learning: I	there are key
	know that	know that	categorising texts in	way they structure	know that	conventions associated
	Text type is linked	MIOW MIGHT.	terms of ways of	texts and the	MIOW that	with these forms
	to purpose and		tomio or wayo or	language they use to		With those forms

audience and texts are constructed to meet the needs of a specific purpose and audience

- Texts can take narrative or nonnarrative forms
- Texts can be categorised into fiction and non-fiction

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Recognise different text types and show understanding of their purpose and audience
- Comment on the impact of purpose and audience on a text
- Recognise narrative and non-narrative and fiction and nonfiction texts
- 1.2 What is a poem? Source texts: 'I Want a Poem' by Shukria Rezaei 'The Factory' by Letitia Elizabeth Landon.

<u>LO:</u>

- Learn about some of the key features of poetry
- Discover patterns of language and imagery in poems

- Writers and speakers change the way they structure texts and the language they use to suit their audience
- Writers use structural devices to achieve particular effects and for specific reasons
- Writers make deliberate word choices and use literary devices to create character, mood and setting
- Identify key qualities that make a text a classic

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ... • Write a response to

- a classic text to show my understanding of its appeal to readers • Develop my own point of view about a spoken or written text and use quotations to support this
- 1.6 How is your voice heard?

Source text: 'The Danger of a Single Story' by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

<u>LO:</u>

- writing (form), content or purpose
- A genre has key conventions that define it
- Crime fiction is a genre with key conventions

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Identify the impact of the crime fiction genre on the audience
- Identify genre conventions in the blurbs of crime fiction
- Write a plan for a crime story using the conventions of the genre

2.2 What makes a character?

Source text: 'The Murders in the Rue Morgue' by Edgar Allan Poe

LO:

- Learn about the techniques writers use to present characters
- Explore explicit and implicit information
- Analyse how a character is presented

- suit the purpose they are writing for
- Writers use structural devices within a text for particular effects and purposes
- Writers make decisions about tone in relation to their purpose, audience, form and context

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Analyse the structure of a news report
- Explore the effect of different language choices
- Write a crime report, checking and editing a first draft before producing a final version

2.6 What is figurative language?

Source texts:
'Stealing' by Carol
Ann Duffy 'Guilty
Conscience' by
Sagar Garg

<u>LO:</u>

- Learn to identify and consider the effects of figurative language
 Explore how
- Explore how figurative language

- Writers make deliberate word choices and use literary devices to create setting, character, atmosphere and mood
- Textual reference and quotations can be used to support a point of view
- Words can have implicit and explicit meanings

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Make inferences about texts
- Comment on a writer's choice of vocabulary and its effects
- Use textual references to support my point of view

3.2 What is a quest? Source text: Medusa by Jessie Burton

LO:

- Learn to identify the main features of a quest and some other story types
- Explore first-person narrative and inference
- Write a scene for your own quest story,

- Writers and speakers change the way they structure texts and the language they use to suit their purpose
- Writers and speakers make grammatical choices to shape meaning and impact the reader or listener

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Identify the features of narrative texts and comment on their impact on the reader
- Write a non-fiction, narrative account of a journey
- Use paragraphs, structural devices and grammatical features to organise my writing

3.6 Why travel sustainably?

Source text: Sustainable holidays article

LO:

- Learn about features of persuasive texts
- Explore the effects of persuasive techniques on the reader
- Write and present a speech confidently in front of an audience

What I'm learning: I know that ...

 Write a poem, building on a modelled structure

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Words can be ordered within a text to create effects
- Writers make deliberate choices about vocabulary, literary devices and poetic devices to achieve specific effects

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Comment on the effects of word choice and literary devices, making inferences and interpretations
- Comment on the way a writer has structured their poem, including the effects of sound patterns and word order
- Write poetry in the style of another writer, drawing on my own background, selecting vocabulary, and using imagery

1.3 What's the story?

Source texts: 'Nine and seven-year-old

- Learn how to share your views effectively
- Explore the context, style and features of a powerful speech
- Write and present a short speech to express your point of view

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Writers and speakers make decisions about style when writing a text and delivering a speech in order to control the reactions of the reader
- Tone is the attitude expressed in a text through language choices, grammar or structure
- Writers and speakers use tone to convey attitudes
- Synthesis is the combination of separate ideas or texts into a new, single text

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Identify and use a range of words to describe the tone of a text
- Comment on how writers and speakers

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Writers make deliberate word choices and use literary devices to create character
- Characterisation is the way in which a writer creates and uses characters
- Words can have both implicit and explicit meanings
- Inference is a conclusion or opinion that is formed based on evidence, usually involving implicit information

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Write an analysis of a character
- Make inferences and interpretations, identifying implicit and explicit meaning in a text
- Use textual reference to support my point of view

2.3 Who's telling the story?

Source text: Smart by Kim Slater

LO:

can be used to express a perspective

 Evaluate the effects of figurative language in a poem

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Writers make deliberate word choices and use literary devices to communicate attitude and viewpoint
- Writers make deliberate choices about vocabulary, literary devices and poetic devices to achieve specific effects
- Words can have implicit and explicit meanings

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Analyse the figurative language used in a poem and its effects
- Comment on literary devices that shape the reader's attitude towards the narrator
- Respond to a statement about the impact of literary techniques used in a poem

using key conventions

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Writers use key plot conventions for particular reasons within a text
- Narrative perspective is the point of view from which a story is told
- Writers make deliberate word choices and use literary devices to create setting, character, atmosphere and mood
- Inference is a conclusion or opinion that is formed based on evidence, usually involving implicit information

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Identify key plot conventions
- Write a first-person quest narrative using key plot conventions
- Make deliberate word choices for effect in my own written texts when creating character, setting, atmosphere and mood

- Writers and speakers make structural and language choices when creating texts for different purposes
- Writers and speakers use facts and opinions selectively to fulfil specific purposes and engage specific audiences

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Identify the structural and language choices writers use and why they use them • Use facts to support an argument
- Write and deliver a persuasive speech using appropriate literary and structural devices

3.7 Why take a risk?

Source text: 'Bungee at Victoria Falls: The Day the Void Came for Me' by Deborah O'Donoghue

<u>LO:</u>

- Learn to recognise the effect of a writer's choice of techniques in a piece of travel writing
- Explore how the structure of a piece of travel writing creates excitement

brothers are discovered alive after going missing in the Amazon rainforest' news article Pigeon English by Stephen Kelman

LO:

- Learn to recognise prose and understand its different forms
- Explore some of the language and features used in prose
- Compare different types of stories written in prose

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Texts can take narrative forms and there are key conventions associated with these forms
- Writers make deliberate word choices and use literary devices to create character and setting
- Inference is a conclusion or opinion that is formed based on evidence, usually involving implicit information

use vocabulary, structural devices and tone to create their own style

 Plan and write a speech with a clear structure and present it effectively

1.7 Which English do you speak?

Source texts: 'Running' by Benjamin Zephaniah Article by Benjamin Zephaniah

LO:

- Learn how texts are influenced by a writer's background and the language they use
- Explore differences between Standard and non-standard English
- Write a drama script, including characters who are code-switching

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Context is the setting or circumstances in which something is produced or received and the way in which it is written
- Texts can be written in Standard and non-

- Learn to identify and analyse narrative voices
- Explore the effect of different narrative voices on the reader
- Create your own narrative voice

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Narrative perspective is the point of view from which a story is told
- Writers make deliberate word choices and use language devices when creating character
- Writers and speakers make decisions about register to suit their purpose, audience, form and context
- Writers and speakers make decisions about tone in relation to their purpose and audience

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Identify how a writer uses narrative voice to reveal information about a character
- Comment on how changing the

2.7 What's the difference?

Source texts: A Day in the Life of a Prisoner by Michael Romero My Fifteen Lost Years by Florence Maybrick

LO:

- Learn to compare texts
- Summarise and synthesise the main points of two texts
- Compare how writers present their perspectives

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Writers make deliberate word choices and use literary devices to communicate attitude and viewpoint
- Texts can be compared and connected in different ways
- Synthesis is the combination of separate ideas or texts into a new, single text
- Summary is a brief statement of the main facts or points of something

3.3 Why start with a journey?

Source text: Jamaica Inn by Daphne du Maurier

LO:

- Learn to recognise key plot conventions
- Identify word choices and literary devices and comment on their effects
- Analyse the presentation of a journey, using close textual reference

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Writers and speakers make choices about how to structure a text
- Writers use key plot conventions for particular reasons within a text
- Writers make deliberate word choices including the use of literary devices when creating atmosphere and mood
- Textual reference and quotations can be used to support a point of view

• Write an article about a travel adventure

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Writers change the way they structure texts and the language they use to suit their audience
- Words can be ordered within a text to create effects
- Writers and speakers make choices about how to structure a text

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Comment on how a writer has chosen to structure a text, and words within a text, and the effect that this has on the reader
- Write an article describing a travel adventure
- Use structural and language devices in my own writing

3.8 Can journeys tell stories?

Source text: Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson

LO:

• Learn about the conventions of autobiographical writing

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Comparisons can be made between texts
- Recognise and understand the conventions of different forms
- Comment on the effects of word choice and literary devices
- Make connections and comparisons between two texts, using appropriate techniques

1.4 Why all the drama?

Source texts: Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare 'Here Be Dragons' by Jordan Cobb

LO:

- Learn to identify the key features of drama texts
- Explore and compare two forms of drama
- Create, perform and record your own piece of drama

What I'm learning: I know that ...

 Texts can take narrative forms and there are key

- standard English depending on their audience, purpose, form and context
- Writers and speakers adapt and change register for different forms, purposes, audiences and contexts (codeswitching)
- Texts can be compared and connected in different ways

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Identify the differences between Standard English and non-standard English and explain why writers and speakers might choose to use Standard English or non-standard English
- Make connections and comparisons between texts
- Use Standard
 English and non-standard English to
 write a short script for a drama

1.8 What's the right tone?

Source texts: Malala Yousafzai's speech to the UN, 2013 Extract from Air

- narrative perspective of a text can change the impact on the reader
- Write a paragraph of a detective story thinking about narrative perspective, voice, tone and register

2.4 Why all the tension?

Source text: Murder in Midwinter by Fleur Hitchcock

LO:

- Learn about the techniques used to create tension and suspense
- Explore structural and narrative devices and their effect on the reader
- Comment on how a writer creates tension and suspense

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Writers and speakers use structural devices to achieve particular effects and for specific reasons
- Writers use narrative devices in order to create specific effects

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Summarise and synthesise two texts on a similar theme
 Use appropriate adverbials and
- comparison of text
 Compare how
 writers present their
 perspectives

conjunctions in

2.8 Can a text change your mind? Source text: 'Who should get credit for declining youth crime?' by Ally Fog

<u>LO:</u>

- Learn to identify methods used to communicate attitudes and perspectives
- Explore techniques to make your perspective persuasive
- Write and present a contribution to a debate

What I'm learning: I know that ...

 Writers make structural and language choices when creating texts for different purposes
 In speech, tone can

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Comment on how and why a writer has used an inciting incident, vocabulary and literary devices to create atmosphere and mood
- Use cohesive and structural devices to organise my writing
- Make inferences and use textual references to support my point of view

3.4 How can poetry explore journeys?Source text: 'Things We Carry on the Sea' by Wang Ping

LO:

- Learn how texts are influenced by the contexts in which they are written
- Rehearse and perform a poetry reading
- Recognise poetic features and comment on their effect

What I'm learning: I know that ...

 Texts are influenced by context of production and reception

- Learn how to structure an analytical response
- Write about a literary text using a formal, analytical style

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Texts can take narrative forms and there are key conventions associated with these forms
- Writers make structural and language choices when creating texts for different audiences
- Textual reference and quotations can be used to support a point of view

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Comment on the structural choices a writer has made in a piece of autobiographical writing
- Write an analysis of a text using a formal register and including textual references and correct literary terminology

Assessment

Chapter 3 Checkpoint 2 speaking and listening assessment;

conventions associated with these forms

- Writers use key plot conventions for particular reasons within a text
- Writers use literary devices to create character and setting

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Recognise key plot conventions and comment on their effects
- Comment on word choice and literary devices and their effects
- Write a script or screenplay for a drama thinking about word choice

Assessment

Chapter 1 Checkpoint 1 reading assessment; Chapter 1 Checkpoint 1 writing assessment Ambulance charity website

LO:

- Learn how writers craft texts to persuade others to their viewpoint
- Explore how writers use language and tone to influence their audience
- Comment on the effect of language choices and tone in a speech

What I'm learning: I know that ...

- Tone is the attitude expressed in a text through language choices, grammar or structure
- Writers use tone to communicate attitudes
- Writers and speakers make decisions about tone in relation to their purpose and audience

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Identify the purpose, audience and tone of a text
- Use a range of words to describe the tone of a text

 Writers use key plot conventions for particular reasons within a text

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Identify structure and plot devices that a writer has used
- Analyse the structural and plot choices a writer has made in a text to create tension and suspense and comment on the effects of these
- Use textual references to support my point of view

Assessment

Chapter 2 Checkpoint 1 reading assessment; Chapter 2 Checkpoint 1 writing assessment be conveyed through the pace, rhythm, intonation and volume of a person's voice

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Identify persuasive language techniques and explain their impact
- Rank presentation skills in order of importance
- Write and contribute to a debate. Listen and respond to others, then review own performance

Assessment

Chapter 2 Checkpoint 2 writing assessment; Chapter 2 Checkpoint 2 reading assessment

- Texts are influenced by the reader's background
- Poetic structure is how a poem is ordered and shaped
- Writers make deliberate choices about vocabulary, literary devices and poetic devices to achieve specific effects

How I'll demonstrate I've learnt it: I will ...

- Reflect on the context of the poem and use my own background knowledge to help infer meaning
- Experiment with different ways of reading a poem aloud to convey meaning
- Comment on the choices that the poet has made: structural, vocabulary, literary and poetic devices

Assessment

Chapter 3 Checkpoint 1 reading assessment; Chapter 3 Checkpoint 1 writing assessment Chapter 3 Checkpoint 2 writing assessment

Curriculum intent (overview) – To deepen students' skills and knowledge through a broad and balanced curriculum which prepares students for adulthood.									
		Comment on the tone of a text, referring to its purpose and audience Assessment Chapter 1 Checkpoint 2 speaking and listening assessment; Chapter 1 Checkpoint 2 reading assessment							
Links to Gatsby Benchmarks:	Writing / summarizing skills in most careers	Being able to read with information for most careers.	Working in creative industries	Working in creative industries.	- What is journalism?	- Marketing			