



Year 7 into 8 Passport to Success

Parents'/Carers' Information

This booklet is designed to help smooth your child's transition into the next academic year, for English. Research shows a 'dip' in a child's attainment occurs after a long summer break and we do not want that to occur. Please encourage your child to complete all the tasks outlined over the summer holiday and return it fully completed in the first week back in September.

There are 2 tasks for pupils to complete this summer

1. Mini project on Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and Sherlock Holmes
2. Continue to read and complete quizzes on Accelerated Reader.

Mini Project

In preparation for the first half term's focus in English, we would like your child to complete their choice from a series of tasks which includes research, reading and creativity. These should be brought into school on the first timetabled English lesson by your child and given to their English teacher. There will be prizes for those pupils who have worked really hard and put lots of effort into their project.

Reading

Your child should be encouraged to read throughout the Summer holiday. Once a book has been read, they can then take the quiz for that book on Accelerated Reader.

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Pupil Information

1. Complete your choice of tasks from the Mini Project.
2. Continue to read and complete the Accelerated Reader quiz once you have finished a book.

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Below is a list of activities. Each activity has a value. You must complete a number of tasks to the value of at least 100 points. Anything you do online/on a computer can either be printed off or given to your teacher on a memory stick during your first lesson of English in Y8.

Ensure your work has both your name and your form group on it.

<p>Create a quiz on Sir Arthur Conan-Doyle. It must have at least 15 questions and an answer sheet. Your questions should be more than true or false. 20 points.</p>	<p>Do some research on the time in which Sir Arthur Conan Doyle lived. What was different? Present it as a PowerPoint or booklet. 20 points.</p>	<p>Research the plot and characters in 'A Scandal in Bohemia.' Present it as a PowerPoint or booklet. 20 points.</p>	<p>Research the character of Sherlock Holmes – what type of man is he; what is his occupation; what are his main interests. 20 points</p>
<p>Produce two sketches of any character from 'The Red-Headed League'. You may need to do some research on what the characters looked like and wore. Label them carefully and include details on colour, material etc. 30 points.</p>	<p>Create a diary entry from the point of view of a child living during the Victorian era. It could be a young chimney cleaner or a child from a rich family. Think about how different their lives would be compared to yours. 20 points.</p>	<p>Write a newspaper article, set during the Victorian era. You could write about how a detective might solve a case. Remember, they would not have the technology that we have today. 500 words min. 30 points.</p>	<p>Create a model of Sherlock Holmes – this could be made from any materials that you wish but must be lifelike 40 points.</p>
<p>Research a Sherlock Holmes story and produce a comic strip version of it. You can choose how to set it out but you must include key scenes and full colour. 30 points.</p>	<p>Create a word search using keywords related to the Victorian Times 10 points.</p>	<p>Choose one of the Sherlock Holmes novels or stories and design a DVD case for it. You must set it out like a proper DVD case. Think about who you will cast to play the roles. 40 points.</p>	<p>Write your own detective story where you have to solve the mystery of the disappearance of the Mona Lisa from the Louvre. 30 points.</p>