Y2 Autumn Non Fiction: Postcards and Letters Unit 3

SPAG: Sentences: forms, punctuation and spelling

Teacher notes

Essential text: Dear Teacher by Amy Husband Sourcebooks Jabberwocky, ISBN:

9781402242687

Optional text: John Patrick Norman McHennessy by John Burningham, Red Fox,

ISBN: 9780099752004

- A note on grammar: the National Curriculum specifies that a sentence is only truly an exclamation when it takes the expostulatory form How... or What..., as in How ridiculous! or What a disaster! A sentence such as But that's totally unfair! is an exclamatory statement rather than an exclamation, although it quite rightly has an exclamation mark instead of a full stop due to the force with which it is expressed. Children will more naturally write exclamatory statements in their work in this Unit but the activities nevertheless reflect the precise requirements for teaching exclamations.
- For Day 3, you will need to have The Sunnybank School Schwa Effect Chart displayed where all the children can see it. (It may be best to enlarge it.)
- Then you will need one copy per group for the activity.

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