

English- Week Beginning 11.5.20

This week in English, we are looking at the story of Arthur and the Golden rope. We have just seen Arthur's adventure across the ocean to find the God of Storms. I have attached this adventure picture, alongside the next two page of the book that we will be focusing on today. We normally have English lessons Monday-Thursday, using Friday as a spelling focus day and reading comprehension. Please refer to the spelling sheet in this pack for information on activities. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me 😊





After a long journey, Arthur finally reached the great hall. The powerful doors swung open and a voice boomed, "Welcome, young traveller! I am Thor, god of sky and thunder!"

The warrior god listened intently as Arthur recounted the fate of his town. At last he nodded gravely.



"The wolf is Fenrir, son of the evil god Loki, and he has ravaged many villages over the past years. I will relight your great fire, but only under one condition ... you must help me capture the beast," said Thor.



Arthur could only tremble in his boots as Thor explained how the gods had already failed to trap the wolf.

Monday

This week, we are going to be thinking about creating a poem for the wolf Fenrir. To do this, we will be writing a free verse poem, which is a poem which doesn't follow a rhythm or rhyme and just follows speech. Here is a link to explain this type of poem more:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z4mmn39/articles/z8sf8mn>

To start us off this week, your task today is to look at the picture of Fenrir below and think about what things he has done in the past and write your ideas around it. These ideas could be describing what he looks like, describing what he has done, what his personality is like or what he is good at/why he is bad. All of these phrases that you write will hopefully be able to be used in your poem!

Here is an example below:



Remember, you can upskill your words by using the thesaurus online website below which would really impress me and your reader!

<https://kids.wordsmyth.net/we/>

Tuesday

Let's plan a bit more today! Using your ideas from yesterday, it might be that you can now think that you might have some different verses (this is the posh word for paragraphs in poems). You could have a verse for how he looks, a verse for how he acts, a verse for what he did to the town and a verse for how Arthur will stop him. Remember, free verse poems are a little bit like telling a story, so your sentences need to follow on from each other.

Today, we will plan the different verses and what we want to say in each one. Use the boxes below to help you plan- if you have different verses or ideas for your verses, then please do use them instead. The ones I have provided are just a suggestion 😊

Free Verse Poetry Plan

Verse 1- Who is Fenrir? Describe him here using the phrases from yesterday's plan:




Verse 2- What has he done to the village? Use the ideas from yesterday's plan to help:

Verse 2- What will happen to him? Who is trying to stop him? Use the ideas from yesterday's plan to help:

If you feel like you have more than 3 verses, please do use your red book to plan out any additional ideas you want to put into your poem.

Wednesday

Today, we will be writing our free verse poems about Fenrir the wolf. Remember, free verse poems do not need to form a structure so you only start a new line when you take a breath if you were reading it out loud. When you're writing your poem, see if you can get the features below into your writing to make it incredible!

Features	Example	My checklist- have Included this?
Fronted adverbials (the when, where and how) 	Suddenly, Over the next few hours, As the waves crashed over him,	
Describing (using commas) 	The terrifying, slimy beast Arthur's small, bony fingers	
A range of conjunctions 	ISAWAWABUB and FANBOYS - Because, as, for, since, although, while, when etc	
Similes/Metaphors	- His teeth were as sharp as a sword - His eyes looked like a fire was burning inside of them	

Here is an example of a free verse poem I have written about Fenrir (you can do better than mine I'm sure!)

Fenrir, Fenrir,

A horrid, terrifying beast,

His sharp teeth are like blades of a sword,

His fur is as black as an abyss.

He saw a tiny, bright village in the distance and thought to himself,

I'm going to take that fire,

I'm going to take over the town and make the people panic!

Swiftly, sneakily, he arrived in the town,

He consumed the fire with one miniscule swipe of his paw,

He felt proud as he loves ruins towns here and far,

Just because he knows he can and will.

But Arthur is on his case and he will soon find out,

That Arthur should not be messed around with as he knows,

The God of Storms who will come and find Fenrir and take him down.

Thursday

Today, I would love for you to check through your poem and see if you can make it even better using the criteria below. You can use a different coloured pen/pencil if you wish so that you can see where you have added bits in. Please do send me your edited copies (just a picture) to michaelsyddallyear4@gmail.com I look forward to seeing your amazing poems!

Can you check for:

- **Spelling errors- could you check the spellings of words on Google/dictionary?**
- **Punctuation- can you check that you have got commas, question marks and exclamation marks? ! ,**
- **Does it make sense? Read your work and change any parts which do not make sense.**
- **Describing- can you add extra describing into your newspaper report?**
- **WOWly/fronted adverbials- can you add any extra fronted adverbials into your work?**

If you have edited your work and would like a fun project- you could tea stain some paper using a tea bag, wait until it dries and then you could re-write your poem onto this so that it looks like an ancient poem written in the times of Arthur!