

Supporting your child's reading and writing in Years 5 and 6: Literary texts

Suggested reading and writing activities for literary texts such as early adolescent novels, poetry, film and digital texts, dramatic performances and spoken stories.

Create images of the main characters. Add the qualities of each character. Label each character as either a protagonist or an antagonist.



Create a scene of an event from the text in 3D or digital format. Describe what is happening in the scene in 100 words or less.



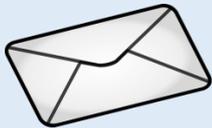
Transform a section of a book you are reading into a movie script. Act out a scene using toys or models.



Record a reading of a part of the text. Include music or background sounds to support the text.



Design a card or postcard related to a text you are reading. Write a recount of an event from one character in the text to another character.



Write or tell an alternative ending to the text.



Create a diary entry or a blog as one of the characters describing their feelings during a specific event in the text.



Choose an event in the text. Explain how you would have handled the situation differently to the characters in the text. Write, digitally record your ideas to tell someone.



Perform a scene from a literary text you are reading. **Act** this out for your family. Make props or costumes from things you find at home.



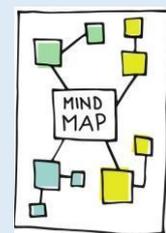
Create a newspaper report of an event in the text. Use a catchy headline.



Interview the author of a text. Take the role of one of the characters and design a series of questions asking the author about their thoughts in creating that character.



Create a digital or hand-drawn mindmap showing the relationships between the characters.



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