Topics: Gothic horror: Coraline by Neil Gaiman History: Victorian Britain Life skills: Family	Year Group: 7 A-team	Subjects: English/literacy History Lifeskills	Term: Summer 1 (20 lessons)
Life Skills. I allilly	Shared resources: Shared	red Drive: Coraline SoL	
Rationale and Context for Unit	Specific Core Knowled	ge and skills	
This term the A-team will be studying gothic horror and vlctorian Britain in a blended learning approach. As they learn the conventions of gothic horror they will be able to cross reference this information with the knowledge they acquire from their history lessons on Victorian Britain where they will also explore beliefs/ideas around religion and science. The rationale for English and History is taken and in parts adapted from the SOL for each subject. This ensures that the A Team are learning the same key topics alongside their peers. This SOL also ensures that the cultural and historical gaps are being addressed. The study of the novella Coraline provides further exploration of a complete prose text, building on the unit around The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas, this time in the gothic genre. Students explore how an imaginary world is created through setting, character and narrative. The language is rich in vocabulary and description. It helps students identify how 'real' human and 'other world' characters are. Students learn to discern between inferred and explicit information in a text and begin to refine their understanding of reader response and how this may vary from person to person. This directly leads into KS4 analysis of reader response to a range of texts. This unit leads into the study of the gothic genre in 19th Century fiction in Year 8 and provides a foothold for later study of fiction for Language Paper 1 at GCSE and the study of Jekyll and Hyde.	form and first person voice; Disciplinary knowledge: of themes, ideas and informat inferences and justify these within the text; identify bias statements that are support evaluatively on text, use the from wider reading; recognite Evaluation of a writer's choexplain and illustrate how voice and in the Application of knowledge Fiction: clear application in Analysis of devices used in	critical reading and compretion; read in different ways with evidence; support a and misuse of evidence, ted by evidence and those context of the text and cise the possibility of difference of vocabulary, form, go cocabulary and grammar of GCSE study of unseen lift creating a story: narrative	rehension: identify and interpret s for different purposes; draw point of view by referring to evidence including distinguishing between e that are not; reflect critically and draw on knowledge and skills gained
Challenge and Support	Common misconception	ons	
Each activity is linked to AOs required for KS4 to get students thinking about the skills of identifying language and structure and evaluating a text. This provides a foundation and challenge for year 7s.	novella and the 'other world	d' in the novella.	nces between the 'real world' in the chniques may be challenging to LPAs.

Assessment and Homework		Careers, Information, Advice, and Guidance
HOMEWORK: This has been embedded into the SoL. Soon 05- The Secret Door- Creative Writing ison 08- Creating Tension- AO2- Reading ison 13- Evaluate- AO4- Reading D-curricular links S: Developing and maintaining healthy relationships istory: Y8 Au 2 - Power and protest t: Y8 Spr - Architecture (setting)		Critical thinking and analytical skills applicable in a range of settings, for example in the police, as a researcher or as a lawyer. Career options that link to the SoL: Editor Publisher Author Reviewer Book seller Podcaster Creative writing instructor Director Lesson one: Introduction to becoming a creative writer/author from the perspective of Neil Gaiman the author of Coraline. Ideas about how he is inspired to write his stories and how he interprets stories and his belief in them. Lesson nineteen: What is it like to be a director - show pupils interview with Henry Selick the director of Coraline. You must have these questions written on the board for them to answer as they watch. Questions
Co-curricular links		Opportunities for Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development
LS: Developing and maintaining healthy relationships History: Y8 Au 2 - Power and protest Art: Y8 Spr - Architecture (setting) RS: Christian views of family and home Music: Y8 - Programme music - music to create scenes		

Lesso n	Key Topic	Learning objectives	Activities to draw out Core Knowledge	Vocabulary/ Terminology	Key Resources & Careers	Formative Assessment & Review
			Week 1			
English Lesson 1	Gothic Genre	To describe the conventions of gothic horror	Students to analyse/identify the gothic conventions Starter: student to write key vocab and definitions in their exercise books 1: Students are shown a range of images and	Context - the situation within which something exists or happens Gothic - writers compose terrifying stories featuring		Spelling test on the key vocabulary. Also test students on their recall of the definitions.

			asked which images belong to which genre. 2: As a class compile a list of genre conventions https://owlcation.com/humanities/The-Gothic-N ovel-What-is-Gothic-Literature 3: Focus on gothic settings Where would a gothic story take place. castles, graveyards, caves, dungeons or religious houses like churches and chapels. They are often old, decaying buildings, usually set in remote, hidden places such as the wilderness of a forest or in the isolation of the mountains. Students will write their own gothic horror prose based on a gothic setting. Choose pictures from here to inspire them https://images.search.yahoo.com/search/images; ylt=AwrJ6ynfOlli8A8AEUFXNyoA; ylu=Y29sbwNi ZjEEcG9zAzEEdnRpZAMEc2VjA3Nj?p=gothic+stor y+setting+images&fr=yset_widemail_chr_win Prior to writing help them compile a list of adjectives they can use to describe their setting	dark and creepy settings, supernatural interferences, ancient family curses and an atmosphere of terror and mystery. Genre - a specific type of music, film, or writing. Conventions - are features or practices of certain genres that readers or audiences understand, recognize and accept as belonging to that genre		
English Lesson 2	Chapter 1 - 3 AO1- Extracting Explicit Information	CORE KNOWLEDGE Extract EXPLICIT information from the text. CHALLENGE Infer IMPLICIT meaning from the text.	RRR- Key Terminology: Extract, implicit, explicit Starter: What do you know about 'Coraline'? What prior knowledge do you have? Main: Read Chapter 1 of 'Coraline' What do we learn about Coraline's house and garden? What information is EXPLICIT and what is IMPLICIT? EXTRACT key EXPLICIT information about Coraline's house and garden. Use this to draw a precise picture, which you should then label with quotes. 	Extract Explicit Implicit Implied Infer Assessment Objective Foreshadowing	O1- Coraline-AO1 Introduction to Neil Gaiman as an author and where he got his inspiration from to write stories like Coraline - link for video and slide within presentation https://youtu.be/xPN7vDu9Rsk	

History	Victorian England		 Once done, add in any IMPLICIT information in a different colour pen. Plenary: What examples of FORESHADOWING have there been in this chapter? Week 2 		
English Lesson 3	Gothic characters (double lesson)	To be able to describe the range of characters that may appear in a gothic story	Ask the question what would we look for in a gothic protagonist. Remember to focus on 'gothic', possible ideas Some degree of hubris (tragic flaw) Of a high social status Somehow foreshadowed by doom/dancing with death A tendency to be influenced by past events The possession of considerable powers An absolute goal or aim (seeker figure) Class discussion on gender roles: the hero being male and women being portrayed as damsels in distress Show the students a range of gothic villains and ask them to identify them. For each character they need to write a brief fact file. For this they will need access to Chrome books. Vampires Werewolves Ghost/spirits Main tasks: Students create their own antagonist and protagonist. This could be a piece of prose or a detailed drawing which is labeled with adjectives describing the characters	Protagonist - the leading character or one of the major characters in a drama, movie, novel, or other fictional text Antagonist - a person who is strongly opposed to something or someone Ghoul - an evil spirit or phantom, especially one supposed to rob graves and feed on dead bodies.	

English Lesson 4	Chapter 2 Pages 7- 11 AO1- Extracting Explicit Information	CORE KNOWLEDGE Understand the different word classes. Extract key information from text. CHALLENGE Write in full sentences. Include quotes in quotation marks. :	RRR- Key Terminology:	Extract Explicit Adjective Adverb Simile Noun Feedback Quote Full sentence	02- Coraline- AO1 AGAIN	Peer assessed comprehension questions
	History: for less	ons go to: <u>Victorian Bı</u>	ritain Week 3			
3	Chapter 2 Pages 7-11 AO2- Language Techniques	CORE KNOWLEDGE Make INFERENCES about what the key techniques imply. CHALLENGE Discuss CONNOTATIONS and ALTERNATIVE INTERPRETATIONS	RRR- Key Terminology:	Inferences Techniques Imply Suggest Connotations Alternative interpretations	03- Coraline- AO2	

			what can you INFER from the key LANGUAGE techniques? Examples and sentence starters on Slides 9 and 10 Highlight all of the language techniques you've mentioned. Plenary: Player A- 'Serves' a common noun. Player B- 'Volleys' back with an adjective to describe the noun. Player A- 'Volleys' back with another adjective to describe the noun. Keep the 'rally' going for as long as you can. The winner is the person who 'hits' the last adjective. The teacher is the 'umpire' who has the final say if there is a disagreement.			
4	Chapter 3 Pages 11-17 AO5 and AO6- The Secret Door- PLANNING	CORE KNOWLEDGE Plan how to use adjectives, verbs and adverbs in some descriptive writing. CHALLENGE Plan how to use senses, similes, metaphors and alliteration in some descriptive writing.	RRR- Key Terminology: Alliteration, plosive, fricative Starter: Popcorn Reading- Chapter 3. JUST TO PAGE 13 Coraline went through the door.' Page 13. What do you think is on the other side of the door? Popcorn Reading- Finish reading Chapter 3 Main: Imagine you have walked through a secret door. Complete the planning table for writing a description of what you find on the other	Descriptive Alliteration Adjectives Adverbs Verbs Similes Metaphors Senses	04- Coraline- The Secret Door- DRAFT	Peer discussion of ideas.

			side. See an example on Slide 10. Plenary: Share your ideas with your partner. Have they got any ideas on how you could improve it? Ask them if there is anything you should change.			
5	AO5- The Secret Door- NEAT	CORE KNOWLEDGE Use adjectives, verbs and adverbs in your descriptive writing. CHALLENGE Use senses, similes, metaphors and alliteration in your descriptive writing.	 Aspirate, sibilance, onomatopoeia Set the onomatopoeia challenge. Starter: Please, find your planning table from the last lesson. Main: Imagine you have walked through a secret door. Write a description of what you find on the other side- 30 minutes. Success criteria on Slide 11 Plenary: Swap your work with a partner. Highlight and annotate their work with any techniques they've included. Provide your partner with feedback on What Went Well and Even Better If. Examples on Slides 13 and 14 	Descriptive Alliteration Adjectives Adverbs Verbs Similes Metaphors Senses	O5- Coraline- The Secret Door-NEAT	Teacher marks for WRITING grade and put on the Ultimate Spreadsheet.
			History: For lessons go to <u>Vic</u>	ctorian Britain		
			Week 4			
6	Chapter 4 Pages 17-25	CORE KNOWLEDGE Use the four golden rules of direct speech correctly.	 RRR- Key Terminology: Direct speech, reported speech, speech marks Complete the onomatopoeia challenge 	Direct speech Speech marks Imagination	06- Coraline- Direct Speech	

	AO6- Using Direct Speech	CHALLENGE Use exciting verbs instead of 'said'.	Starter:			
7	Chapter 5 Pages 25-28 AO6- Improving Vocabulary	CORE KNOWLEDGE Understand how to use a thesaurus to improve your vocabulary. CHALLENGE Add in similes and metaphors to improve a boring sentence.	RRR- Key Terminology: Synonyms, antonyms, vocabulary Starter: Popcorn Reading- Chapter 5- Pages 25 - 28 STOP when you finish page 28 What can you use a THESAURUS for? How is a thesaurus different from a dictionary? Main: "Ah. The nefarious clutches of her fiendish fingers, is it?"- Page 28 What does 'nefarious' mean? What does 'fiendish' mean? If you're not sure, can you work	Thesaurus Synonyms Antonyms Vocabulary Define Context	07- Coraline- Improving Vocabulary	

			it out from the CONTEXT of the story? If you're still not sure, then look it up in your thesaurus. Using your thesaurus, complete the table with some more impressive synonyms. Also, find the antonym for each word. Use your thesaurus to improve these sentences: The weather is really hot. The house is really big. Your hair looks bad. That cake is big. My rabbit is soft. CHALLENGE: Can you improve them even further by adding in a simile or metaphor? Plenary: What would be a synonym for YOUR name? Create 2 x acrostic poems. 1 with synonyms and 1 with antonyms for your name. Example on Slide 12			
8	Chapter 5 Pages 29-34 AO2- PEETER Paragraphs- Tension	CORE KNOWLEDGE Identify key quotes which create tension in the chapter. CHALLENGE Write a full PEETER paragraph explaining your ideas using the word 'because'	This lesson may take TWO LESSONS, depending on your class. RRR- Key Terminology: • Annotate, connotations, analyse Starter: • Popcorn Reading- Chapter 5- Pages 29-34 • KEY QUESTION: How does Gaiman create tension on page 30 of Coraline? • Reread page 30. • Choose three quotes which you think create tension. How do they do this? Main: • Write down your three chosen quotes	Annotate Connotations Analyse Point Evidence Explain Technique Expand Reader	08- Coraline- Creating Tension	Teacher marks the paragraphs for READING skills and uploads grades to the Ultimate Spreadsheet

			and annotate them, with HOW they create tension. EXAMPLE ON SLIDE 10. Use your quotes and annotations to write a PEETER paragraph answering our key question. EXAMPLE ON SLIDE 13 and SENTENCE STARTERS ON SLIDE 14. Plenary: Highlight the word 'because' in your paragraph in one colour. Highlight the techniques/word classes you've mentioned in another colour. Highlight your quote in a third colour.	ctorian Britain		
			Week 5			
9	Chapter 6 Pages 34-40 AO1 and AO2- Take 10 Questions	CORE KNOWLEDGE Extract key evidence from the text to answer 'core' questions. (AO1) CHALLENGE Make inferences about the text to answer 'stretch' and 'challenge' questions. (AO2)	RRR- Key Terminology: • Monosyllabic, simple sentence, complex sentence • Examples on slide 3 and 4 Starter: • Popcorn Reading- Chapter 6- Pages 34-40 Main: • Answer enough comprehension questions to make 10 points. • You must write in full sentences. • You must include a quote. Plenary: • Students peer assess each others' answers.	Monosyllabic Simple sentence Complex sentence Point Evidence Explain Extract Infer	09- Coraline- Take 10 Questions	Students peer assess each others' work
10	Chapter 7 Pages 40-43 AO5- Similes and	CORE KNOWLEDGE Identify similes in the text. CHALLENGE	RRR- Key Terminology: • Personification, zoomorphia, chremamorphism Starter:	Personification Zoomorphia Chremamorphism Simile Metaphor Transform	10- Coraline- Similes and Metaphors	

	Metaphors	Create your own unique and interesting similes and metaphors.	 Popcorn Reading- Chapter 7- Pages 40-43 Identify four similes used in this chapter. Write them down in your book with the page number you found it on. Answers on slide 8 Main: Choose ONE of the similes to annotate with what it makes you imagine and how it makes you feel. Example on slide 10 Create some similes for the feelings, actions, thoughts, descriptions on the next page. Try to make them unique and original, NOT stereotypical cliches. Plenary: Can you transform your similes into metaphors? 			
11	Chapter 8 Pages 43-46 AO5- Alliteration	CORE KNOWLEDGE Identify alliteration in the text. CHALLENGE Create your own unique and interesting example of alliteration.	 RRR- Key Terminology: ' her hair was wriggling like lazy snakes on a warm day.' What technique is being used in the quote? What can you infer from it? Starter: Popcorn Reading- Chapter 8- Pages 43-50 Stop after 'and she was alone in the room.' Identify five examples of alliteration used in these pages. Write them down in your book with the page number you found it on. Answers on slide 7. Main: 	Simile Infer Alliteration Sibilance Plosive Fricative Aspirate	11- Coraline-Alliteration	

		 Can you label any of these examples with whether they are: Plosive Sibilance Fricative Aspirate Students covered these in the RRR task during lessons 04 and 05. Answers on slide 9 Create some alliterative sentences for the ideas on the next slide. Try to make them unique and original, NOT stereotypical cliches. Plenary: Can you create a list of SYNONYMS for your name using alliteration. History: For lessons go to View 	ctorian Britain		
Pages 12 AO5-	CORE KNOWLEDGE Create a new animal, using a mixture of different species. CHALLENGE Write a description of your animal using a wide variety of language techniques.	Starter: Popcorn Reading- Chapter 8- Pages 46-51 Start at 'and she was alone in the room.' What is the strange new animal that	Simile Metaphor Alliteration Onomatopoeia Personification	12- Coraline- A New Animal	

		mixture of creatures. Draw a sketch of it in pencil. Write a description of your animal. It must include: Simile Alliteration Personification Onomatopoeia See slide 10 for an example Plenary: Highlight and annotate your description, labelling all the techniques you have used.			
Chapt Pages 5 AO4- Eva	51- 56 CHALLENGE Identify quotes	 * The other mother stood there in the paper-gray fog of the flattening world.' • Which words are verbs? • Which is the adjectival phrase? What are the connotations of this phrase? * Starter: • What does it mean to EVALUATE something? • When you evaluate something you give a JUDGEMENT on how successful it has been. • Students write their own definition of what it means to EVALUATE. • Popcorn Reading- Chapter 9- Pages 51-56 * Main: • Key Question: On page 53, Gaiman tries to create tension and fear. Evaluate how successful you think he has been. • Talk through the SPITE acronym with students and get them to write it in the books. 	Evaluate Quantifier Setting People Idea Theme Event	13- Coraline- Evaluate	

			 When you EVALUATE you need to QUANTIFY how successful the writer has been. Add a range of QUANTIFIERS around the O'Meter that you could use to describe how successful you think the writer has been. Highlight any quotes which you think create tension or fear. Now, choose THREE of these and write these in your book. Decide how successful your quotes are at creating tension and fear. Choose a QUANTIFIER for each quote. Plenary: EVALUATE your effort in this lesson. How successful were you at trying your best? What QUANTIFIER would you use? What went well? How could you improve? 			
14	Chapter 9 Pages 51- 56 AO4- Evaluate PEE-ER Paragraph	CORE KNOWLEDGE Understand how to EVALUATE and what the term means. CHALLENGE Identify quotes from the text and decide how successful they are: EVALUATE them.	RRR- Key Terminology: Q. What do you call a naked pig running around? A. Streaky bacon! This joke attempts to be funny. EVALUATE how successful you think it is. Starter: Find your notes from the last lesson. Main: Key Question: On page 53, Gaiman tries to create tension and fear. Evaluate how successful you think he has been. Students should write 3 x PEE-ER paragraphs EVALUATING.	Evaluate Quantifier Setting People Idea Theme Event	14- Coraline- Evaluate Paragraphs	Mark and put grades on Ultimate Spreadsheet

			 Examples and sentence starters on slides 7, 8 and 9 Plenary: Highlight where you've EVALUATED in one colour. Highlight where you've mentioned SPITE in another colour. 			
			History: For lessons go to <u>Vi</u>	ctorian Britain		
			Week 7			
15	Chapter 10 Pages 56- 62 Riddles	CORE KNOWLEDGE Understand what a riddle is. CHALLENGE Create my own riddle with a simple rhyme scheme.	RRR- Key Terminology: 'Then, fast as a serpent, it slithered for the steps' What TWO techniques can you spot? What is the effect of these? Starter: Popcorn Reading- Chapter 10- Pages 56-61 Watch the video on Slide 6- It explains what a riddle is. Put the little riddles on Slide 7 on the board; see if students can guess the answers. Main: Without telling ANYBODY Write a riddle about an animal or object. It must rhyme! Example on Slide 9 Plenary: Read your riddle to your neighbour. Can they guess what it is?	Riddle Rhyme Sibilance Simile	15- Coraline-Riddles	
16	Chapter 11 Pages 62- 66	CORE KNOWLEDGE Understand what verbs and	RRR- Key Terminology: • ""You know I love you," said the other mother flatly."	Adverb Verb Adjective	16- Verbs and Adjectives	

	Verbs and Adjectives AO5 and AO6	adjectives are and how they create a 'tone' to the writing. CHALLENGE Rewrite a page from 'Coraline' and change the tone from negative to positive.	 Which word is the adverb? What can you infer from this adverb? Starter: Popcorn Reading- Chapter 11- Pages 62-66 Recall what an adjective is and what a verb is. Main: Turn to page 64. Highlight all the verbs in one colour and all the adjectives in another colour. Rewrite Page 64, but replace all the negative and aggressive verbs and adjectives with positive and kind ones. Change the tone of the page from negative to positive. Plenary: Share your work with your neighbour. What do they think about it? 	Tone Positive Negative		
17	Chapter 12 Pages 68-72 Cliffhangers AO5 and AO6	CORE KNOWLEDGE Understand what a cliffhanger is and why authors choose to use them. CHALLENGE Create your own piece of writing including tension building and ending with a cliffhanger.	RRR- Key Terminology:	Cliffhanger Suspense Tension Tenterhooks Comparatives	17- Coraline- Cliffhangers	Peer assessed with WWW and EBI

			needs to build tension first. Answer the questions on the worksheet analysing how Gaiman builds tension in 'Coraline'. Now, Use one of the story ideas on slide 8, to write a tension filled chapter which ends in a cliffhanger. Plenary: Swap your story with a trusted friend. Provide them with constructive WWW and EBI feedback.			
			History: For History lessons go to	o <u>Victorian Britain</u>		
			Week 8			
18	Chapter 13 Pages 73- 79 Book review AO4	CORE KNOWLEDGE Evaluate and review 'Coraline'. What was enjoyable about it? CHALLENGE Create a book review of 'Coraline' thinking about plot, characters, evaluation and a summary.	 **Something she had taken to be part of the shadows under the hall couch detached itself from beneath the couch and made a mad scrabbling rush on it's long white legs, heading for the front door.' How is tension created in this quote? **Starter: How do you WANT the book to end? How do you think the book WILL end? Popcorn Reading- Chapter 13- Pages 73-79 **Main: What things should you discuss in a BOOK REVIEW? What would a prospective reader want to know about? Complete the book review booklet in as much detail as you can. 	Review Evaluate Judgement Recommend	18- Coraline- The Ending	

		you can ma Complete of do the from Plenary: How would we've done Which was	ant to write in pencil first so the changes easily. If the writing first, before you t cover. I you REVIEW the lessons e on 'Coraline'? your favourite? Why? ny you think we should		
19	FILM	30 minutes long. It lessons to watch the Whilst students are - Design a not - Create a tale between the - Complete the - If they were 'Coraline' was a complete the - Corplete the - Corpl	the Media drive. It is 1hr and will probably take two e whole thing. watching they could: w book cover ble of the differences are film and the book heir book review booklets are going to make a film of with real life actors, who would playing each part and why?	Film is saved on the Media drive under 'English' What is it like to be a director - show pupils interview with Henry Selick the director of Coraline. You must have these questions written on the board for them to answer as they watch: How did Gaiman find the process of making the film? How does he feel about the character of Coraline? How was Selick inspired by other artists?	

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20	FILM	The film is saved to the Media drive. It is 1hr and 30 minutes long. It will probably take two lessons to watch the whole thing. Whilst students are watching they could: Design a new book cover Create a table of the differences between the film and the book Complete their book review booklets If they were going to make a film of 'Coraline' with real life actors, who would they have playing each part and why?	the Media drive under 'English'