

NHSG Key Stage 3 Unit Overview for Year 9 Unit 5 – Exploring Writers' Viewpoints

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	Knowledge and understanding of:
	 Understanding of persuasive writing and writers' viewpoints/perspectives
	Identification of linguistic methods
	 Understanding of how to compare writers' viewpoints and methods
Learning outcomes	Skill set:
	 Inference – the ability to make inferences based on characters' actions
	 Retrieving and selecting quotations – the ability to identify appropriate quotations and use them to support their points
	 Writing analytically – the ability to analyse a writer's use of language in an extract from a text; the ability to structure an analytical paragraph
	Writing to compare – the ability to draw comparisons between texts and structure a comparative response
Key Question	Compare the similarities and/or differences between the writers' attitudes to
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	Key Terminology:
	explicit
	implicit
	inference
	synthesise
	juxtaposition
	phantasmagoria

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	anthropomorphism
	perspective
	tone
	form
	Areas of sensitivity and language to avoid:
	Assessment:
	Working towards an evaluation question in which students are comparing writers' attitudes and perspectives.
	 Use of mini white boards, hands down questioning, informal assessment of written work through teacher circulation.
	 Live marking of practice responses in class using visualiser and/or MS Teams
	Response to practice questions
Ongoing Assessment	 Peer and self-assessment
	 Marked assessment
	Homework:
	Learn key definitions and spellings
	Produce full response to a practice comparative question
	How will we know that pupils can answer the key question?
	Marked work
Key Assessment	Live marking of practice responses
	Marked assessment
	Visualiser and/or MS Teams for live marking
	Sequencing:
	1. Information retrieval/evidence gathering
	2. Understanding the difference between explicit and implicit information
Clear sequencing of content	3. Understanding how language is used for effect
	4. Identifying similarities and differences between subject matter in two sources
	5. Identifying similarities and differences between writers' viewpoints and how these are presented
	Key themes/ concepts
	 Students will examine a range of non-fiction texts exploring a range of themes

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	 How does this help students access future learning? This unit links directly to GCSE English language Paper 2, which students will study in Years 10 and 11.
Links to Careers	Teaching, journalism/communications, law, editing
Diversity and Inclusion	 Students examine a range of non-fiction texts in which differing viewpoints are expressed on a range of themes/issues, encouraging students to understand perspectives that may be different from their own
Support	 Students are provided with an outline sheet which includes definitions of key terms Key learning resources can also be found on SharePoint
Challenge	 All student books contain a recommended reading list All students are encouraged to complete the '13 by 13' reading challenge
	 Spelling lists contain some ambitious vocabulary that students are encouraged to use in their written work Students should read a range of both fiction and non-fiction texts outside of lessons