



## Year 4 English - Summer 1 week 1

	Day 1 Activity	Day 2 Activity	Day 3 Activity	Day 4 Activity	Day 5 Activity
Reading	Make sure you have some quiet time for <b>daily reading of your own book.</b>				
	<a href="#">The One and Only Ivan - Part 1</a>	<a href="#">The One and Only Ivan - Part 2</a>	<a href="#">The One and Only Ivan - Part 3</a>	<a href="#">The One and Only Ivan - Part 4</a>	<a href="#">The One and Only Ivan - Part 5</a>
Writing	<p>This week you will be practising your persuasive writing skills.</p> <p>The first question you will be thinking about is: <b>Should children have to wear school uniforms?</b></p> <p>Watch the first 2 mins and 45 secs of this video: <a href="#">Uniform</a></p> <p><b>Create a table</b> (see example below), organising the arguments <u>for or against</u> school uniform from the video.</p> <p>Can you think of any other arguments <u>for or against</u> school uniform? Add your own ideas to the table.</p>	<p>Look at the table you created yesterday and recap the arguments for or against school uniforms.</p> <p>Decide on your opinion. Do you think children should have to wear a school uniform? Yes or no?</p> <p>Read the model persuasive letter from the <i>Shackleton's Journey</i> unit. This will remind you of the last persuasive letter you wrote.</p> <p><b>Plan</b> which three main points you will use to support your argument.</p>	<p><b>Recap your plan.</b></p> <p>Remember to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- choose three/four excellent points to support your argument</li> <li>- use persuasive sentence starters (see support below)</li> </ul> <p><b>Write</b> your persuasive letter to Mr Grove.</p> <p>E.g. <i>Dear Mr Grove,</i> <i>I am writing to share my opinion about whether children should have to wear a school uniform. Many schools around the world insist that their pupils wear school a uniform. I firmly believe that...</i></p>	<p>Question 2: <b>Should every class have a classroom pet?</b></p> <p>Over the next two days you will be planning and writing a letter to your own head teacher persuading them why classes should or shouldn't have a classroom pet.</p> <p><b>Create a table</b> (see example below), writing arguments <u>for or against</u> having a classroom pet.</p> <p>Decide on your opinion.</p> <p><b>Plan</b> your three main points to support your argument.</p>	<p>Recap your plan</p> <p>Remember to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- choose three/four excellent points to support your argument</li> <li>- use persuasive sentence starters</li> </ul> <p><b>Write</b> your persuasive letter to your head teacher.</p> <p><b>Present your work:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Read it to someone at home</li> <li>- Call someone and read it over the phone</li> <li>- Record yourself reading it on a video.</li> </ul>
Spelling	<p>Check the <a href="#">spelling lists here</a>. Choose 5 spellings to practise.</p> <p>Use the ways from school that help you remember best. You can ask someone at home to test you.</p>				



## Day 1 and 3 – For/Against Table Example

<b>Question: Should children have to wear school uniforms?</b>	
<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Shows that you are from a specific school</li><li>- You can be proud of your school</li><li>-</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Own clothes let you express who you are, your personality and your feelings</li></ul>

## Persuasive letter example – Shackleton's Journey – Day 2

A letter persuading Shackleton to hire you

Dear Mr Shackleton,

I have recently seen an advert in the newspaper to join your rousing expedition to the unknown land of Antarctica. I am writing to you because I believe I have many qualities you need in a trusty crew member of 'Endurance.' Not only am I a highly skilled navigator, but I also demonstrate bravery and calm.

Firstly, an important characteristic of any navigator is to be brave, because we are travelling to a remote area in the world. I will have to lead our crew of explorers and therefore I need to be courageous. An amazing example of my bravery was on a trip to Egypt, where I was sent as a fearless navigator and I successfully completed the quest. I will be able to do the same and more on your expedition.

As well as being brave, I am excellent at remaining calm in stressful situations. It is vital navigators are calm, as we all know, we may need to change the journey with a moment's notice. For example, last year during a treacherous expedition, the ship was heading towards a large iceberg. As chief navigator, I calmly decided to steer away from the dangerous situation and helped the captain keep our crew safe. This is something that is vital for the crew on an expedition to Antarctica.

It is without doubt that I am the right person for this role. I am ready to take on this challenge and follow you to Antarctica. I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Worsley

## **Persuasive Writing Sentence Starters – Day 3 and 5**

### **For**

In my opinion...

I am certain...

As a matter of fact...

You ought to...

I believe we should...

Would you consider...

It will be worthwhile if...

I strongly suggest...

I truly believe...

It will be an advantage if...

I'm sure you agree...

People all over the world understand that...

I feel extremely confident that...

### **Against**

However...

One disadvantage is...

I disapprove...

On the other hand...

Without a doubt...

It is unfair...

I disagree because...

One major issue...

In addition...

One argument is...

Only a fool would think that...