Summer term 2 week 1

Saturn reading activities

Choose a book from your home that you haven’t read before, (or your favourite book) then choose one of the activities below each day.

1. Pick a descriptive word from the text, write it down and use a thesaurus to write down five synonyms and antonyms for that word.
2. Re-read a chapter - pick out 10 words that you feel are powerful words and that you could use in your own writing.
3. How does the story hook you in at the beginning? Make a list of words or phrases that you feel are effective in making you want to read on.
4. Draw and label a character or a setting from a description in the book.
5. Choose a descriptive passage and make a list of examples of vivid imagery – similes, metaphors, alliteration, powerful verbs, adjectives and adverbs etc
6. Choose a key moment in the book and change the event. Re-write the following chapter.
7. Re-write a chapter as a playscript.
8. Think of 5 questions you would like to ask one of the characters. Then write their answers as if you were that character.
9. List the words and phrases used to create an atmosphere, such as ‘scary’ or ‘spookiness’ ‘tension’ ‘relaxed’ etc
10. Write about what a character might be thinking or feeling at different stages of the story. You could write it in the first person or in a speech bubble.
11. Predict what might happen when you are part way through a book. Write your prediction in the form of a story plan in boxes.
12. Write about a memory or experience of your own that is similar to something you have read in your book.
13. Make a list of questions you ask yourself as you read.
14. Before you finish the book, write down your predictions for the ending. After you finish, look back and check the accuracy of your prediction.
15. Write an interview or conversation between you and the main character of your book. Be sure you write detailed responses for the character.
16. Which character in your book are you most like? Explain your answer.
17. Which character in your book are you least like? Explain your answer.