

# Key Stage 1 Creative Writing Course

This fun and engaging 10 lesson course is aimed at students in Key Stage One: ages 5-7. It covers skills from the National Curriculum Course for Key Stage 1 in the United Kingdom.

The curriculum for this course includes a range of stimulus reading material to help students enjoy reading creative writing and to give them ideas and inspiration to create their own original creative stories. The course includes opportunities for reading comprehension as well as creative writing, and there will also be phonics and grammar practice. Students will also have plenty of scope to practice speaking and listening.

The course is cross-curricular, and has the theme 'The Magic Garden'. Taking skills from the National Curriculum for Science, children will learn about insects and their habitats, before creating their own character with which to create a setting and a story.

Each lesson starts with an introductory starter activity which will have a phonics focus. They will then read a story and begin to put the different elements of story writing together, starting with basic sentences. This foundation work will set them up for planning and writing their own original short story.

| Lesson | Topic   | Content   |
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| 1.     | Minibeast Magic                               | Phase 2 phonic game<br>What are minibeasts?<br>The Cautious Caterpillar Story<br>Which insects can we name?<br>Draw and label insects                     |
| 2.     | At the bottom of the garden                   | Phase 2 phonic game<br>At the Bottom of the Garden poem<br>What can I see game<br>Draw & write sentences about a chosen minibeast.                        |
| 3.     | BEE a writer                                  | Phase 3 phonic game<br>Bees Guided reading & discussion<br>Why do we need bees?<br>Bee conservation writing   |
| 4.     | My minibeast: creating my own story character | Phase 3 phonics game<br>Choose a minibeast & create own character stick puppet<br>Naming the parts of an insect   |
| 5.     | Where do I live? Creating a setting           | Phase 4 phonics game<br>Insect Habitats where do they live? Draw a setting<br>Adjectives: describe our minibeast and its home<br>HMK: create a garden box |
| 6.     | Finish a story – story problem solving        | Phase 4 phonic game<br>Messy Magpie story (first half)<br>Writing sentences to finish the story in our own way  |
| 7.     | My own story                                  | Phase 5 phonics game<br>What is a life cycle? Butterfly activity<br>Messy Magpie story (ending)<br>Planning our own story: cartoon strip drawing          |
| 8.     | Book Making (week 1)                          | Phase 5 phonics game<br>Making a Magic Garden book<br>Design the book cover & start story   |
| 9.     | Book Making (week 2)                          | High frequency word game<br>Worms Guided reading discussion<br>Finish writing our book  |
| 10.    | What I have learned - review lesson           | High frequency word game<br>Book reviews: share our stories<br>Write a review of the Messy Magpie.  |