

Y6 English - Week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

Day four and five- Planning and writing a short story.

In chapter two of *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* ten years have passed. Harry is now almost eleven and living in wretchedness in a cupboard under the stairs in the Dursley house. He is tormented by the Dursleys' son, Dudley, a spoiled and whiny boy.

Harry is awakened one morning by his aunt, Petunia, telling him to tend to the bacon immediately, because it is Dudley's birthday and everything must be perfect. Dudley gets upset because he has only thirty-seven presents, one fewer than the previous year. When a neighbour calls to say she will not be able to watch Harry for the day, Dudley begins to cry, as he is upset that Harry will have to be brought along on Dudley's birthday trip to the zoo.

At the zoo, the Dursleys spoil Dudley and his friend Piers, neglecting Harry as usual. In the reptile house, Harry pays close attention to a boa constrictor and is astonished when he is able to have a conversation with it. Noticing what Harry is doing, Piers calls over Mr. Dursley and Dudley, who pushes Harry aside to get a better look at the snake. At this moment, the glass front of the snake's tank vanishes and the boa constrictor slithers out onto the floor.

Your writing task this week is to put yourself into a short story.

You are going to have a power of your choice. For example: in chapter two Harry discovers that he can talk to snakes and sets one free.

What will your power be and what will you do with that power?

Use day four to plan out your short story and then day five to write it.

Enjoy Y6 - Mrs Summerson and Mr Soulsby.

