

For this age group the focus is on channelling creativity, providing an outlet for it as well as learning from others. We will investigate more complex writing mechanisms.

The Island Adventure

This week we will look at writing a thrilling adventure story in set in the high seas! We will take a simple plot of characters lost on an island and try writing it out using different genres. Through the prism of a specific genre like comedy, drama, action or even science fiction, we can mould the story into many different exciting stories and be specific in our writing style. We will also look at lots of ways to add in details in our stories and establish strong tones.

Monday
<p>Shipwrecked! We begin this week with a basic story premise: your characters are shipwrecked on an island! From this very simple premise we will devise our own characters and tone for our stories. How are the characters related to each other? What can we do to make the relationships between the characters dynamic? And what interesting details can we add to our mysterious island?</p>
Tuesday
<p>The Island of Different Genres Writing a genre story means that there are certain expectations and rules of the genre that we have to follow so readers know what to expect. Let's take a look at how differently the characters act when they are lost on a comedy, a thriller, science fiction or fantasy. We will identify tropes and adapt our writing to fit these different genres.</p>
Wednesday
<p>Challenges and Complications Once we have chosen our preferred genre, it is time to escalate the action with specific challenges and complications in the plot. Perhaps there is a mysterious tribe on the island, dangerous animals or even monsters coming to attack! Perhaps it is a more intellectual challenge or a battle of the wits! Let's see what mischief we can get into next.</p>
Thursday
<p>The Chase Around the Island Today we will take a look at verbs and adverbs and be able to describe an action scene clearly. We will work on our verbs and adverbs to make sure that we can describe the action clearly for our readers!</p>
Friday
<p>The Big Rescue Today we will be wrapping up our exciting island adventure and complete our story for this week. Once our stories are complete, we can share them with each other and review all the hard work done, the skills we've learnt and to ensure that we can continue going on many more writing quests in the future!</p>