

# Welcome to Year 8 English



Welcome to your second year of English at WBS!

This year we will be teaching you some new skills and also building on all the amazing skills we learned and used last year. The expectation is the same- read lots and lots. Read your reading book that we have given you, read around the subject that you're studying and read lots of different types of writing. Hopefully, you've got the hang of being a bit more independent now. Remember to have a look at the 'extra resources' tab if there are any skills you feel you need to work on.

In lessons, you will cover a range of topics, including: **"Ghost Hunt"**

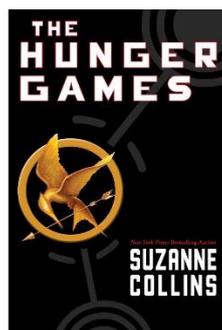


We will look at lots of different fictional and non-fictional types of writing as we go on a ghost hunt as a class. Tasks may include the following: looking at ghost stories, looking at Sherlock Holmes extracts, practising letter writing.

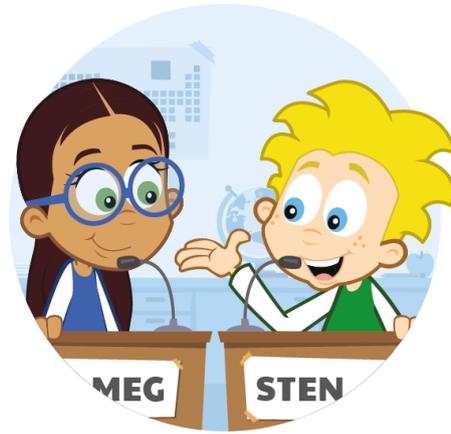
In Year 7, you got pretty good at Creative Writing, now let's see what you can do when it comes to non-fiction. Remember to read widely at home (newspaper articles, websites, leaflets) as all of this will help!

Assessment focus: Writing AO6 Spelling and Punctuation

## A Class Novel







Following on from our learning about the media, we have learned that there are many issues and debates in society. We want you to have a go at getting involved in these debates and using them as stimulus for non-fiction writing. We will look at how debates have changed over time, looking at non-fiction writing such as speeches and letters from historical figures and comparing them up to present day. You will learn how to analyse a text and think about the viewpoints and perspectives of the writer.

Assessment: reading for language AO2- language, AO3- comparing the writers' ideas.

[KS3 Reading Suggestions](#)