

YEAR 8

SHORT STORIES

- researching story contexts
- descriptive writing
- comprehension questions
- narrative drafting and top copying

POETRY

- researching poems or poets
- writing own poems
- response to poems
- private reading
- practising poetic and descriptive devices

CHARITY PROJECT

- researching information on charities – prose and images
- persuasive writing practise
- leaflet design
- writing a commentary for your leaflet
- practising for a group speaking and listening assessment

After half term...

MODERN NOVEL

- Writing about character
- Writing about setting
- Collecting reviews
- Writing a review for a magazine article – draft and top copy

LANGUAGE AND DIALECT

- Script writing and analysis
- Interviewing family members and friends
- Writing poetry using colloquial language
- Writing a dictionary of 'Essex Dialect'

THE MOVING IMAGE

- Storyboarding plot
- Scripting a short film
- Writing about a description using the senses