



Talk4Writing Overview Year 5

All units need to be covered over the course of the year; however teachers may wish to use their discretion about the order. Some units may match well with foundation topics, however this is not essential. Blue rows are non-negotiable, white rows are suggestions. Self-written WAGOLs should be checked by the English Leader to ensure progression across year groups.

Fiction/non-fiction	F	NF	NF	F	NF	F	F	NF	F/NF
Genre / Plot Structure	Tale of Fear	Historical recount	Explanation (Why?)	Adventure Story	Report Including diagrams and captions	Defeat the Monster	Character Flaw	Instructions How to survive...	Myths/Letters
WAGOLL	The Nightmare Man	Teacher-written historical recount linked to foundation	Teacher-written explanation of the sinking of the Titanic	Pie Corbett's Kidnapped	Teacher-written report about a science topic	The Cobbler of Krakow	Veruca and the Squirrels (Roald Dahl extract)	Teacher-written How to survive as a teacher at Rickleby Park	Theseus and the Minotaur
Foci	Tone Building suspense	Past perfect Chronological sequencing	Conveying cause and effect	Dialogue to advance action	Technical vocabulary Concise factual writing	Dialogue to convey character	Characterisation	Modal verbs Sequencing Hypothetical subjunctive (If I were...)	Dialogue Cohesion Varying sentence structures Letter writing
Innovation Outcome	Rewrite Little Red Riding Hood as a Tale of Fear	Recount about different historical event	Write an explanation of the Hindenburg disaster	Rewrite in the style of a studied author	Report about different element of science topic	Rewrite story to be set at sea with tale of fear tone	Write sequel to show change in Veruca's character	Write instructions about how to survive a natural disaster	Rewrite as a letter from Theseus to Aegeus
Hot task Outcome	Rewrite another fairy tale as a tale of fear	Rewrite known fictional tale as an historical recount	Write an explanation linked to foundation learning	Rewrite in the style of a tale of fear	Report about different element of science topic	Rewrite story to a different setting and tone	Write character flaw tale about another Willy Wonka character	Write instructions for how to survive as a child at Rickleby Park	Rewrite as a letter from Ariadne to Minos

<i>Garden task Outcome</i>	<i>Write own Tale of Fear</i>	<i>Free-choice historical recount</i>	<i>Free-choice event explanation</i>	<i>Free-choice adventure story</i>	<i>Report about different element of science topic</i>	<i>Free-choice Defeat the Monster Story</i>	<i>Free-choice Character Flaw tale</i>	<i>Instructions about how to survive at Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory</i>	<i>Retell a different myth through a letter</i>
<i>Cold write opportunity</i>	<i>Can you write a story to scare me?</i>	<i>Can you write a recount of an interesting historical event?</i>	<i>Can you write an explanation text?</i>	<i>Can you write a story to make a reader excited?</i>	<i>Can you write a scientific report?</i>	<i>Can you write a story wherein a monster is defeated?</i>	<i>Can you write a story wherein a character's personality causes a problem?</i>	<i>Can you write instructions for how to survive being in Year 5?</i>	<i>Can you write a letter from the point of view of one story character to another</i>
<i>Suggested mini-write opportunities</i>	<i>Horror setting descriptions Fear senses poems</i>	<i>Newspaper report Sonnets</i>	<i>Letter writing Diary writing Instructions</i>	<i>Script writing Book review</i>	<i>Explanation text Science-fiction story</i>	<i>Monster descriptions Script writing</i>	<i>Rhyming couplet poems Nut room explanation</i>	<i>Encyclopaedia extract Recipes</i>	<i>Letter writing Political verse (poems with 15 beat stanzas)</i>