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Year 5/6 Homework

Spelling – Year 5- 6

- **Spelling tests will be done on Friday** so please learn the spellings below. Write the definition for and create a sentence for each word below:

category

cemetery

committee

communicate

community

competition

conscience

conscious

controversy

convenience

correspond

criticise

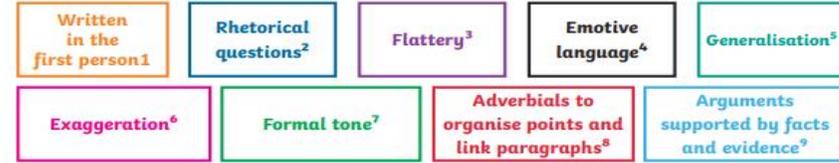
curiosity

definite

desperate

Analysing the Features of a Persuasive Letter

As you read through the letter, you might like to draw pupils' attention to the key features of a persuasive letter or to some other important features in the text.



<p>Mr B. B. Wolf The Den 89 Foxhole Lane Fairytale Forest W01 F1E</p>	<p>Includes sender's address on right</p>
<p>Animal & Pest Control Fairytale Forest Council 15 Gingerbread Lane Taletown STOR 1E5</p>	<p>Includes recipient's address on left</p>
<p>23rd February</p>	<p>Includes date of letter</p>
<p>Dear Sir or Madam,</p>	<p>Uses an appropriate greeting</p>
<p>I am writing to you to request⁷ your help in eradicating a true menace⁶ which has been plaguing⁶ our¹ precious⁴ forest for months. I¹ have had no reply to my¹ previous⁷ three letters; I¹ hope that the following will be enough to prompt some sort of action on your part⁷. The menace⁶ of which I speak is⁷, of course, little girls.</p>	<p>Includes an opening sentence that hooks the reader and explains why you are writing</p>
<p>Firstly,⁸ it becomes instantly clear to anyone⁵ who takes a leisurely stroll through our¹ dear⁴ Fairytale Forest that the presence of little girls has done nothing but damage this once beautiful and sacred natural habitat.⁷ Our¹ footpaths, which once meandered delicately between the trees, touched only by animals and falling leaves, are² now brutally eroded⁶ and scuffed by many pairs of skipping feet. These horrendous⁴ beings do</p>	<p>Key points organised into paragraphs</p>

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not tread lightly when making their way through sun-dappled forests; no, they feel the need to skip and bounce,⁵ thundering⁶ between the trees, kicking up dust and singing tunelessly⁵ as they go. The noise pollution alone caused by this incessant crooning⁶ has driven away the woodland birds.⁹

Secondly,⁸ I¹ would like to discuss the littering epidemic⁶. I emerged from my¹ den last week to find what looked like a deliberate trail of breadcrumbs strewn across my path! Needless to say, I¹ swept them right up so as to maintain the beautiful view from my¹ doorway. If we¹ are not careful, and if we¹ do not act right away, this careless⁴ littering could escalate – today, it is breadcrumbs on a path, but what next?² Streams filled with cupcakes?² Candy canes hanging from trees?² In addition⁷ (as if these loathsome⁴ beings were not content with filling our beloved⁴ forest with debris⁵), there is² the bare-faced robbery⁶ which occurs every time a little girl decides⁵ to collect a sweet-smelling bouquet of flowers for an adored relative. Did you know that one in every twenty daffodils was picked this spring by little girls?⁹ I'm sure that you will agree that something needs to be done before the situation gets out of hand.³

Finally,⁸ and perhaps most importantly, I wish to draw your attention⁷ to the scandalous, violent⁶ and even murderous exploits⁶ of the little girls who have been afflicting⁷ our homeland lately. I¹ have spoken to eyewitnesses who claim that little girls have been breaking into their homes, eating their breakfast foods, breaking their furniture and even sleeping in their beds!⁹ There is no one in their right mind who would not feel outraged and violated⁴ if this were to happen to them.⁷ Are we no longer safe in our homes? Should we tell our pups to check under their beds for little girls before they go to sleep?² These criminals are getting away with breaking and entering, vandalism and, in my case,

Ambitious words to describe people and settings

Written in present tense

Dear Neighbours

2 Dear neighbours,

14 I am writing this letter to ask you to rename your dog.

24 Since you moved in next door, I have been hearing
34 my name being called repeatedly. Each time, I run to
43 answer you before realising that you're only calling for
45 your dog.

55 Last week, I was cooking beans when I heard you
63 shouting. Half-cooked beans went flying as I rushed
73 to answer your call. When I arrived outside with bean
84 juice all over my front, I realised that you were just
88 calling for the dog.

99 As I can't easily change my name, I suggest that you
102 rename your dog.

104 Yours faithfully,

105 Fido



Quick Questions



1. What happened to Fido last week?



2. How do you think the person who wrote this letter is feeling?



3. Explain why Fido has chosen to write a letter.



4. **I am writing this letter to ask you to rename your dog.**

Why do you think that the author chosen to start the letter in this way?

Word of the week:

Find the definition and use this
word in a complex sentence

DISHEVELLED