

LITERACY 28 JUNE-2 JULY 2021

MONDAY

Read the information on seahorses. It is organised into three paragraphs. A paragraph is a collection of sentences based around a particular topic or idea. When the topic or idea changes, a new paragraph is needed. A long piece of writing is much easier to read if it is divided into paragraphs.

- Which paragraph is about seahorses using camouflage to hide from predators?
- Which paragraph is about the dangers of being a small fish in the ocean?
- Which paragraph talks about different survival strategies?

Ocean Survival

The ocean can be a perilous place for little creatures. In fact, most fish don't make it to adulthood because they are eaten by larger creatures. Predators such as sharks and sea snakes like nothing more than feasting on small fish.

If you are small and live in the ocean, it is important to have a survival strategy. Many small fish gather in large shoals for protection. Some enterprising fish simply make friends with a bigger fish, offering cleaning services in exchange for protection.

Seahorses are small fish that use disguise and camouflage to avoid being detected. Just like land-living chameleons, they can quickly change colour (and sometimes texture) to 'disappear' from sight by blending in with their background. It is possible to stare at a sea fan coral for hours without even noticing a pygmy seahorse hidden within.

Complete the group and independent tasks on the separate sheet

LO To begin to use paragraphs as a way to group related material

TUESDAY

'The Comedy of Errors'

At the start, there is a journey across the sea. The weather changes, a storm develops and the ship is wrecked.

Create a soundscape for this scene.

Write what happens either in the past tense like a narrative or in the first person as if you are there. Remember to proof read for spelling, punctuation and grammar errors.

LO To describe the scene of the shipwreck using paragraphs

WEDNESDAY

Continue to read Sabryna and the River Spirit

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vFU7TmIJkWg> Watch the mirror scene

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qb-nEp_Ti6O Watch two children in a mirror activity.

In pairs, act as identical twins.

Think about actions and facial expressions.

Then try speaking.

LO To understand the role of identical twins

THURSDAY

Continue to read Sabryna and the River Spirit

Reread A River and edit the planning sheet.

Start to write your own river story using the plan.

LO To write a story using a plan

FRIDAY

Continue to read Sabryna and the River Spirit

Answer comprehension questions

LO To understand the text read and be able to prove some answers with quotes.