

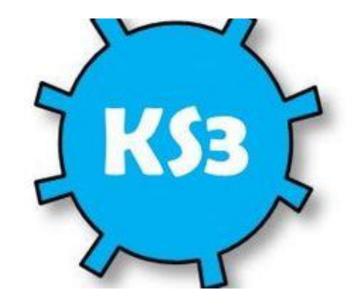


# English: Transition from KS2 to KS3

#### **General Differences**

In some cases, two teachers

Independence



New schemes of work

Managing work load

**New routines** 

New styles of teaching

#### **Y6 SATS Content**

Content domain	Number of marks available	National average % of marks achieved
Give / explain the meaning of words in context	6	78
Retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction	21	70
Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph	1	93
Make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from text	18	58
Make comparisons within the text	1	54
Identify / explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases	3	74

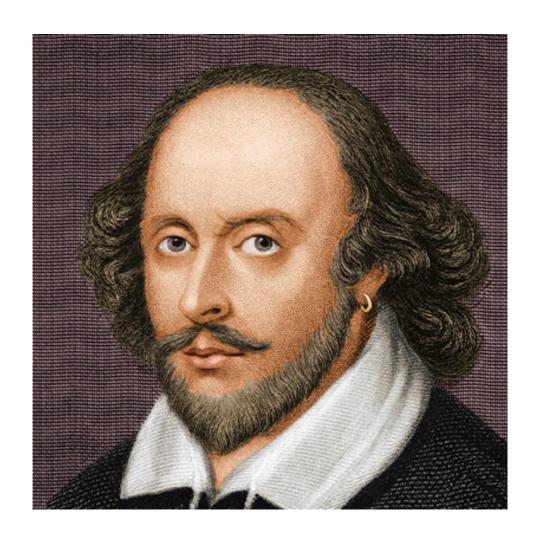
#### KS3 Reading and Writing: Some Differences

- Home Learning Assignments (HLAs) Two week projects
- Essay style analysis of characters/themes/relationships across texts + Close analysis of extracts
- Compare and contrast texts
- Analysis of pre-19<sup>th</sup> century non fiction/fiction texts
- Extended pieces of writing for different purposes
- Building on skills taught at KS2 towards GCSE

## Introduction to Shakespeare

**Romeo and Juliet** 

The Tempest



**Macbeth** 

A Midsummer Night's Dream



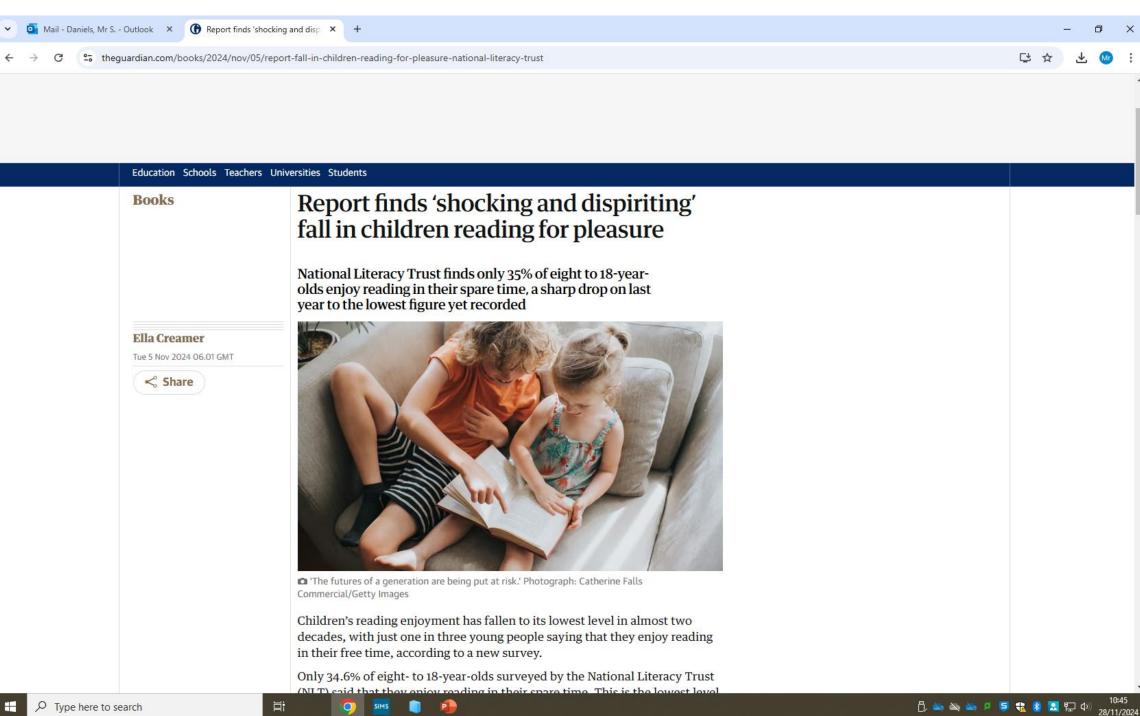
### Improving writing



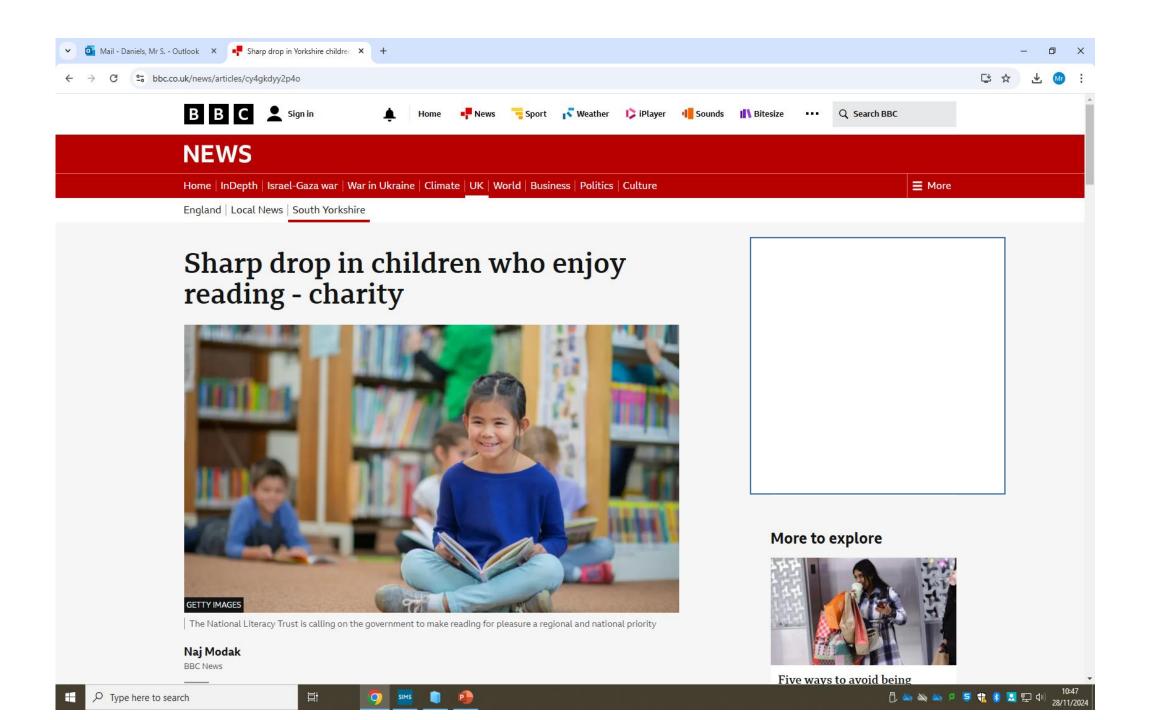
Encourage writing at home linked to their interests:

- Reviews of books they read;
- Newspaper article about a news story;
- Description of a place they visit;
- Persuasive speech about a topic they are passionate about;
- Leaflet advertising their favourite theme park or day out.

Encourage proof reading and re-drafting.







Widens vocabulary.

Improves comprehension and analysis skills.

Improves spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Helps in all subjects.

Reading is the KEY to learning

Is enjoyable!

Stimulates creativity and ideas for writing.

Reading 'around the subject' means they have a clearer idea of the bigger picture.

#### Reading Lists

#### **New Y7 fiction reading list with newer books:**

- Covers all genres;
- Plenty to appeal to both genders;
- Separate list for avid readers to provide more challenge;
- Lots of these books have just arrived in the school library!

#### **New non-fiction text list:**

- Non-fiction books: everything from Guinness World Records to Horrible Histories!
- Films and documentaries that will enhance learning in the classroom;
- Local places to visit.





## Revision guides we recommend

