

Year 8 Practice Learning Document

In this booklet you will find an outline of your Practice Learning tasks to be completed for this half term.

All Practice Learning tasks are essential to your learning in lessons and revolve around three principles:

- Retrieval – helping you to retain and remember information
- Consolidation – helping you to secure knowledge or skills
 - Pre-reading or research – preparing you for learning

Your teachers will give you further resources and information surrounding your tasks during the week they are set and all work complete will be used as part of your lesson, so it is important to complete it on time.

Remember, if you are unsure of the work you need to complete you can: seek support in The Fern at lunch times, speak to your teacher or attend study club after school.

April - May 2023

Subject: English

Unit: Romeo and Juliet

Date set	Task	Date due
17/04/23	Pre-reading: Research and recall who Shakespeare was and the influence he had on the English language. Use link #1 and #2 in the 'Useful Research Sites' and other credible sources. Make detailed notes.	24/04/23
24/04/23	Pre-reading: Use your Unifrog account to research a career that uses writing skills. Go to the 'careers library'. Search using the subject filter for 'English' or the key word 'author'. Choose a career that interests you. Make notes for each subheading.	02/05/23
02/05/23	Retrieval / Consolidation: Write a description of how you imagine the setting of Verona to be. Challenge- use pathetic fallacy.	09/05/23
09/05/23	Pre-reading: Elizabethan England: Research what religion was predominant for the era and how this meant people typically lived their lives. Use link #3 and #4 in the 'Useful Research Sites' and other credible sources. Make detailed notes.	15/05/23
15/05/23	Consolidation: Create a diary entry from the perspective of Romeo on the first night he sees Juliet. Challenge- try to imitate Shakespearean English.	22/05/23
22/05/23	Consolidation: Create a diary entry from the perspective of Juliet when she is told by her father that she must marry.	05/06/23

1. sonnet
2. prologue
3. perspective
4. unrequited
5. pacifist

Recommended Reading

1. [William Shakespeare](#)
2. [Ten ways in which Shakespeare changed the world | William Shakespeare | The Guardian](#)
3. [Elizabethan Era Religion and Religious Beliefs | Christianity \(elizabethanenglandlife.com\)](#)
4. [Religion and daily lives - The Elizabethans overview - OCR B - GCSE History Revision - OCR B - BBC Bitesize](#)

Key Vocabulary

Learn these using the suggested activities in your vocabulary books



1. [Read Modern Romeo And Juliet Translation, Scene By Scene \(nosweatshakespeare.com\)](#)
2. [Themes and Motifs in Romeo and Juliet: Love, Light, Darkness, and More \(shakespeare-online.com\)](#)

Useful Research Sites



Summer Term 1 – April to May 2023

Year 8

Subject: Maths

Units 1, 7 – 10 Practice Learning

Date set	Task	Date due
WC 17 th April 2023	Retrieval Unit 7 – Percentages Increase and Decrease	WC 24 th April 2023
WC 24 th April 2023	Consolidation Unit 9 – Laws of Indices	WC 1 st May 2023
WC 1 st May 2023	Retrieval Unit 8 – Area and Circumference of Circles	WC 8 th May 2023
WC 8 th May 2023	Pre-Reading 'Who was Srinivasa Ramanujan'	WC 15 th May 2023
WC 15 th May 2023	Consolidation Unit 10 – Solving Equations	WC 22 th May 2023
WC 22 th May 2023	Retrieval Unit 1 – Finding the nth Term	WC 5 th June 2023

All Retrieval and Consolidation tasks are set on MathsWatch.

1. Constant
2. Expression
3. Multiplicative
4. Simplify
5. Unit

Recommended Reading/Podcasts

1. vle.mathswatch.co.uk
(username example: jbloggs@suthers
Password: suthers2022)
2. corbettmaths.com
3. nrich.maths.org
4. mathsisfun.com

Key Vocabulary

Learn these using the suggested activities in your vocabulary books

1. 'How many socks make a pair' – Rob Eastaway
2. BBC Radio 4 - More or Less: Behind the Stats Podcast
3. 'Can you solve my problems' – Alex Bellos

Useful Research Sites

Summer Term 1 – April to May 2023

Year 8

Subject: Science

Unit: 9) Motion & Pressure, 10) Variation and Evolution

Date set	Task	Date due
WC 17 th April 2023	Prereading Watch the video on speed, distance and acceleration and write 10 bullet pointed facts about speed, how it is calculated and how the police use the speed equation	WC 24 th April 2023
WC 24 th April 2023	Application Complete the moment calculations worksheet	WC 1 st May 2023
WC 1 st May 2023	Consolidation Choose your task from the takeaway menu, with the aim of reviewing your understanding of the given topic.	WC 8 th May 2023
WC 8 th May 2023	Prereading Read the BBC bitesize article on variation and complete the variation questions	WC 15 th May 2023
WC 15 th May 2023	Application Design an animal that would be suited to survive in a certain environment due to its adaptations	WC 22 nd May 2023
WC 22 nd May 2023	Consolidation Choose your task from the takeaway menu, with the aim of reviewing your understanding of the given topic.	WC 5 th June 2023

Note: all consolidation tasks are chosen from a 'takeaway menu' that can be located on Teams

1. Speed
2. Moments
3. Pressure
4. Variation
5. Characteristics

Recommended Resources

1. Investigating [gas pressure](#) at home
2. Charles Darwin and the theory of evolution - [Galapagos](#) video

Key Vocabulary

Learn these using the suggested activities in your vocabulary books



1. How to calculate [speed](#)
2. Effect of [pressure](#) on the three states of matter
3. [Natural selection](#) simulation (PhET)

Useful Research Sites



or in student exercise books. The overall

Summer Term 1 – April to May 2023

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Subject: History

Unit: World War One

Date set	Task	Date due
20/3/23	<p>Produce a project about the life of a soldier / medic during WWI. A WWI information booklet has been e-mailed to you and uploaded to TEAMS. Use this booklet to help you produce your project. Your project might include information on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The ways soldiers / medics were recruited for WWI (Booklet: Page 7 & 8)• Trench Warfare (Booklet: Pages 10-12)• Experiences with gas during the Second Battle of Ypres (Booklet: Pages 13 & 14)• Experiences with the machine gun and tank during The Battle of the Somme (Booklet: Pages 16-19)• Medical advancements (Booklet: Pages 20-22)• Technology during WWI (Booklet: Pages 23-26) <p>You might want to present your project in one of the following ways (these are just a few examples):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Build a model of a WWI trench.• Produce a PowerPoint.• Produce an annotated poster of the trenches.• Write a story about the daily life of a soldier / nurse / medic.• Produce a mini documentary or podcast.	17/4/23

Key Vocabulary

Learn these using the suggested activities in your vocabulary books

1. Propaganda
2. Conscription
3. No Man's Land
4. Trench Foot
5. Salient

Recommended Reading/Podcasts

- 1) <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z4crd2p/articles/znpm7yc>
- 2) <https://www.redcross.org.uk/stories/our-movement/our-history/letters-from-a-first-world-war-nurse>
- 3) <https://ww1.nam.ac.uk/stories/rif/eman-william-eve/#.ZCWinXbMKUk>

- 1) <https://media.nationalarchives.gov.uk/index.php/tag/first-world-war/>
- 2) <https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/topics/history/world-war-i/>
- 3) <https://www.historytoday.com/history-matters/hospital-%E2%80%98manned->

Useful Research Sites

Summer Term 1 – April to May 2023

Year 8

Subject: Geography

Unit: Megacities

Date set	Task	Date due
17 th April	Can a city become too big? Research this question and explain your answer	28 th April
2 nd May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research China and produce a factfile, infographic or poster and key aspects such as• Location• Weather and climate• Size (area and population)• Culture (traditions, religion, food)• Politics• Environments (biomes)• Things unique to China	27 th May

1. Urbanisation
2. Migration
3. Architecture
4. Industrialisation
5. Development

Recommended to watch

1. [Mega-cities vs global cities - Urbanisation in contrasting cities – WJEC - GCSE Geography Revision - WJEC - BBC Bitesize](#)
2. [Mega cities - the biggest cities all over the world \(worlddata.info\)](#)
3. [Can a city become too big? - BBC Future](#)

Key Vocabulary

Learn these using the suggested activities in your vocabulary books



BBC Iplayer World's busiest cities

[The growth of megacities - BBC News](#)

Useful Research Sites



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Year 8

Subject: Computing

Units 5: How Computers Work

Date set	Task	Date due
WC 24 th April 2023	Consolidation Your task is to create a Poster Which explains what a network is . The poster should include the advantages and disadvantages of a network.	WC 1 st May 2023
WC 8 th May 2023	Pre-Reading Research ' What is Cloud Computing ' and present your findings in a power point, written report, or a video. Use these questions to help you plan: What is Cloud Computing? Who owns the information stored in 'The Cloud'? Is the information stored in 'The Cloud' Secure? How does storing information in 'The Cloud' affect data protection laws? Give examples of Cloud storage companies.	WC 15 th May 2023
WC 22 th May 2023	Retrieval Write all the words that you can think of that are linked with computers. Now underline words that are hardware items.	WC 5 th June 2023
Work can be completed on Teams as an assignment task set for every week.		

1. Hardware
2. Software
3. Computer System
4. Network
5. Cloud Computing

Recommended Reading/Podcasts

1. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zmpsgk7>
2. https://kids.kiddle.co/Cloud_computing
3. <https://www.youngwonks.com/blog/What-is-Cloud-Computing--An-Introduction-for-Absolute-Beginners>

Key Vocabulary

Learn these using the suggested activities in your vocabulary books

1. Ted Ed
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AkFi90lZmXA>
2. National Geographic Kids Readers: Robot.
3. <https://www.storyjumper.com/book/read/57670035/Hardware-and-Software>

Useful Research Sites

Summer Term 1 – April to May 2023

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Subject: PE

Unit: Lacrosse/Rounders

Date set	Task	Date due
WB 17/4 & WB 8/5	Review the following videos on the rules Lacrosse https://youtu.be/O03TuYCQ3JY Rounders https://youtu.be/f5Lxiy9_L9Q	WB 24/4 & WB 15/5
WB 24/4 & WB 15/5	Lacrosse Basic Moves/Tactics https://youtu.be/Km3XtYJLhOo Rounders Basic Moves/Tactics https://youtu.be/ST1ejoVgsmo	WB 2/5 & WB 22/5
WB 2/5 & WB 22/5	Match Example https://youtu.be/qXLTHAgZ5IO Match Example https://youtu.be/veMacwRU9ms	WB 8/5 & WB 5/6

Lacrosse

Scoop
Flick
Dodge
Intercept

Rounders

Back Stop
Post
Base
Run out

Key Vocabulary

Learn these using the suggested activities in your vocabulary books



Governing Body

Websites



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sport/rounders>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sport/lacrosse>

www.roundersengland.co.uk/play

<https://www.englishlacrosse.co.uk/>

Useful Research Sites



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1. <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/>
2. <https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/>
3. <https://www.youtube.com/@AntiBullyingAlliance>

Websites and Resources to develop your understanding of living in the wider world

1. **Brilliant Questions about Growing Up** by Amy Forbes-Robertson and Alex Fryer.
2. **A Teenage Guide to Almost Everything** – Autumn Publishing.
3. **You Can Do It – How to find Your Voice and Make a Difference** by Marcus Rashford/Carl Anka.

1. Unifrog – Year 8/9 Log into your account and update your Questionnaires. Add to your 'Favourites' to develop your Careers Library.
<https://www.unifrog.org/>
2. E-safety -Choose your age category and complete the activities.
<http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

Websites to support your physical and mental health and relationships

Building on from lesson learning you can use these websites to support you.

KS3 Books to read in PD

Health Relationships Living in the Wider World

KS3

Subject: Music

Unit: Blues and Jazz

Date set	Task	Date due
17/03/2023	Personal practice. In order to develop your performance skills and increase your success at the next KLC performance you need to practice the pieces we are currently working on. You could do this using an instrument at home if you have one, alternatively you could use an app such as Garage Band, Virtual Piano or BandLab. You will also need to access your booklet on Teams.	24/05
01/05/23	Personal practice. In order to develop your performance skills and increase your success at the next KLC performance you need to practice the pieces we are currently working on. You could do this using an instrument at home if you have one, alternatively you could use an app such as Garage Band, Virtual Piano or BandLab. You will also need to access your booklet on Teams.	08/05
15/05/23	Write an evaluation of your practical work in music this term. What have you achieved, what are your strengths, and what do you need to focus on next term?	22/05

1. Dynamics
2. Rhythm
3. Pitch
4. Tempo
5. Texture
6. Melody

Key Vocabulary

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Recommended Listening

1. Kind of Blue by Miles Davis
2. Giant Steps by John Coltrane
3. Porgy and Bess by Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Armstrong

<https://www.onlinepianist.com/virtual-piano>

<https://www.bandlab.com/creation-features?lang=en>

Useful Websites

Spring Term 2 –April to May 2023

Year 8

Subject: Drama

Unit: Culture and empathy

Date set	Task	Date due
17 th April	What is a community? What do you think a community is?	24 th April
8 th May	Rehearse and perfect your final performance ready for your assessment.	15 th May
22 nd May	Consider your targets you set last half term. Did you meet them? If so how? What targets could you set yourself for next time?	26 th May

1. Empathy
2. Audience response
3. Characterisation
4. Culture
5. Evaluate

Key Vocabulary

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6. Tableaux
7. Thought-tracking
8. Cross-cutting
9. Marking the moment

Key Vocabulary

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The Island Armin Greder

Useful Reading/Research Sites

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