

The background features a vertical gradient from light purple at the top to light blue at the bottom. Scattered throughout are several realistic water droplets of various sizes, some with highlights and shadows. A large, faint, light-colored circular graphic is centered in the upper half of the image.

# CREATIVE WRITING

MONDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2020

MONDAY – PLANNING

## L.I. I CAN PLAN A DIARY ENTRY

Year 6, we would you to use your fantastic imaginations to write a diary entry based on the picture below.  
Or if you prefer, you can choose your own from the website: <https://www.pobble365.com/>



Look carefully at the image. You are going to write your diary entry as the character in the jeep. Remember that a diary entry **reveals the writer's feelings**. Think about the following questions to help get into character:

- What do you think the character is thinking at the moment the photograph was taken?
- How did he feel when he was stuck in that jeep?
- How did he manage to escape?
- Why was he there in the first place?
- Where was he coming from and where is he going?
- Where might he have stopped to write his diary?
- How and why was this town destroyed?
- How long has the town been left like this?
- Why is there a dinosaur on the loose?



Lush tree

T-Rex

Crash helicopter

Destroyed buildings

Abandoned flats

Fallen signs

Derelict land

Rubble

Young man in jeep

Burned car

Burst water pipe

Can you spot anything else?





Try to turn the vocabulary you listed, into sentences or phrases? For example:

### **Rubble**

Amidst the **rubble** and dirt, new life had begun to grow through the cracks in the once derelict land.

Your turn:



## TUESDAY – WRITING

### L.I. I CAN WRITE A DIARY ENTRY

You are now reading to start writing. Expand on the phrases you created yesterday to write your setting description. To write just like any great author, try to include the elements below:

- Use a range of sentence constructions (long, detailed descriptive sentences contrasting with short sentences for dramatic effect)
- Use emotive language to show your thoughts and feelings
- Use adventurous vocabulary
- Write in first person
- Use appropriate tense form: remember a diary can be written in present tense and future tense.
- Use adverbs, prepositions and extended noun phrases to add detail
- Use a range of cohesive devices, including adverbials
- Use punctuation for clarity and to create meaning

Your writing does not need to be longer than a page and remember to use paragraphs.

As this is a diary entry, you do not necessarily need to include dialogue

WEDNESDAY - EDITING

## **LI: I CAN EDIT AND ENHANCE MY DIARY ENTRY**

Step 1: Proofread to edit mistakes

Like any good author, you must remember to always check your writing for any mistakes and edit it to make it even better. Brilliant writing takes time and lots of drafts! Use this check list edit your mistakes:

- Check your writing for spelling mistakes
- Make sure your grammar is correct
- Make sure your punctuation is accurate

# EDITING

Step 2: Now it is time to enhance your writing.

Watch this video by the author, Tom Palmer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CUScPnDwzPU&t=25s>

(Don't worry if you cannot watch the video, use the check list below)

Use Tom Palmer's check list to edit your writing:

- Read your work aloud so you can hear the impact, what you like and what you want to change
- Add extra descriptive detail
- Take away- cross out words/ sentences you don't think are suitable
- Replace- change words/ phrases for better ones
- Read it aloud again. How does it sound now? Can you imagine the scene in your head?

# PUBLISH

Once you are happy with your final draft, please read it to someone in your house and take their suggestions on how you can improve it.

Step 3: Now you are ready your publish your work. Remember to think about your handwriting and presentation.

So that you can share your fantastic writing with the whole school, upload it to Dropbox to request for it to be showcased to the 'One and only Ordinary Book that opens for Extraordinary Work'!

Enjoy Writing!