

CLIMATE CHAMPIONS

WORKSHEET



HI, I'M REMI
AND I'M 11. THE MAIN ISSUE
ON CLIMATE CHANGE IS THAT
NO ONE CARES ABOUT IT
ENOUGH TO MAKE A BIG
ENOUGH CHANGE.



HI, MY NAME IS EVELYN AND
I'M 10. OUR NATURAL WORLD
IS DYING BECAUSE PEOPLE
AREN'T PLAYING THEIR PART.



MY NAME IS HALA
AND I'M 10.
THE EARTH IS
CHANGING AND
WE NEED TO
DO SOMETHING
ABOUT IT.

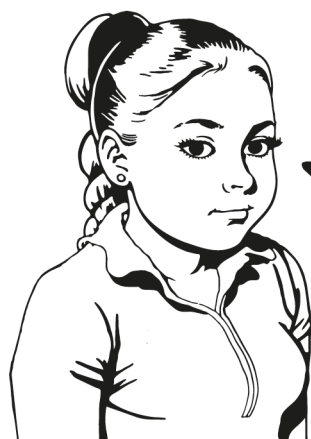
CLIMATE CHAMPION NAME

EMOTIONS

WHAT EMOTIONS DO YOU FEEL WHEN THINKING ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE?

HOW DO WE **SHOW** OUR EMOTIONS?

TOP TIPS



WHEN YOU WRITE YOUR STORY YOU WANT YOUR READERS TO FEEL THE SAME EMOTIONS AS YOU DO AND GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT.

ALWAYS SHOW YOUR MAIN CHARACTER'S EMOTIONS IN STORIES. IT HELPS READERS UNDERSTAND THE CHARACTER AND WHAT IS GOING ON IN THEIR HEAD.



WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE?

WRITE DOWN ANY NOTES HERE AS YOU WATCH THE VIDEO.

QUIZ ANSWERS

1	_____	5	_____
2	_____	6	_____
3	_____	7	_____
4	_____	8	_____

WRITE DOWN ANY FURTHER NOTES FROM THE QUIZ HERE.

WE WILL LOOK AT THIS MORE LATER ON IN THIS COURSE.

STORY STRUCTURE

WHEN WRITING ANY STORY WE ALWAYS NEED TO THINK OF THREE MAIN PARTS:

- CHARACTERS
- WHERE THE STORY IS SET
- WHAT IS YOUR STORY ABOUT AND WHAT WILL HAPPEN.

FOR OUR CLIMATE CHAMPION STORY WE WILL ALSO:

- SHOW YOUR READERS A CLIMATE CHANGE SITUATION AND MAKE THEM FEEL THE SAME EMOTIONS AS YOU DO.
- INSPIRE THEM TO BECOME CLIMATE CHAMPIONS AND DO SOMETHING POSITIVE BY TELLING THEM A STORY – THE STORY CAN BE UPLIFTING OR SAD.
- GIVE THEM A MORAL THAT IF WE ALL DO SOMETHING WE WILL SAVE OUR PLANET.

TOP TIP

LIMIT YOUR STORY TO JUST ONE AREA OF CLIMATE CHANGE SO YOU CAN FOCUS MORE ON THAT AND TELL YOUR STORY.

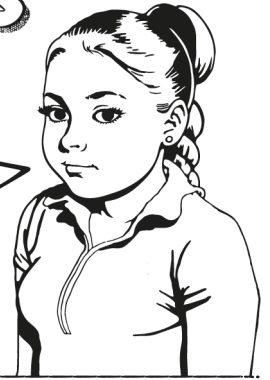
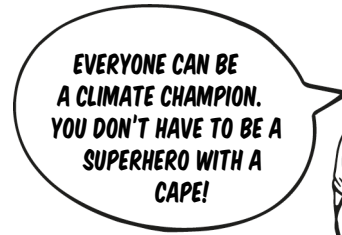


YOUR STORY: CHARACTERS

WHEN WE CREATE CHARACTERS IN STORIES
WE CAN TAKE INSPIRATION FROM OURSELVES OR OTHERS.

LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT A FAMOUS CLIMATE CHAMPION.

WRITE DOWN ANY NOTES ABOUT GRETA HERE.



DO YOU DO ANYTHING ABOUT TO HELP CLIMATE CHANGE NOW?

MAKING UP A CHARACTER FOR YOUR STORY

YOU CAN MAKE YOUR CHARACTER UP OR BASE IT ON YOURSELF.

THERE ARE TWO MAIN THINGS TO THINK ABOUT WHEN CREATING A CHARACTER.

1. WHAT THEIR CHARACTER AND PERSONALITY IS; SUCH AS ARE THEY CLEVER, HONEST, DETERMINED, SHY OR OUTGOING.
2. WHAT THEY PHYSICALLY LOOK LIKE; SUCH AS WHAT COLOUR IS THEIR HAIR OR DO THEY WEAR GLASSES.

CHARACTER & PERSONALITY

WHAT IS CHARACTER?

WHAT IS PERSONALITY?

USING GRETA AS AN INSPIRATION, WHAT SORT OF CHARACTER & PERSONALITY DO YOU THINK
A CLIMATE CHAMPION NEEDS TO HAVE?

WHAT SORT OF CHARACTER & PERSONALITY DO YOU HAVE?

**IF YOU ARE NOT BASING YOUR CHARACTER ENTIRELY ON YOURSELF,
WRITE DOWN HERE WHAT THEIR CHARACTER AND PERSONALITY ARE.**

WHAT DOES YOUR CHARACTER LOOK LIKE?

IF YOU WANT TO, DRAW YOUR MAIN CHARACTER HERE.

**THIS IS A WRITING PROJECT AND WE NEED TO USE WORDS TO DESCRIBE OUR CHARACTER TOO.
GO THROUGH THIS LIST TO HELP YOU DESCRIBE THEM.**

- USE COLOUR TO DESCRIBE THEIR SKIN, HAIR, CLOTHES AND EYES**
- WHAT AGE ARE THEY?**
- DO THEY HAVE ANY SPECIFIC FEATURES SUCH AS GLASSES, FRECKLES OR A SCAR(!)**
- WHAT DOES THEIR HAIR LOOK LIKE E.G. IN A BOB, LONG, CURLY, MESSY.**
- THINK OF THE OTHER SENSES SUCH AS SMELL AND SOUND E.G. HOW DO THEY TALK**
- ANYTHING ELSE E.G. WEARING HEADPHONES.**

WRITE DOWN YOUR DESCRIPTION HERE

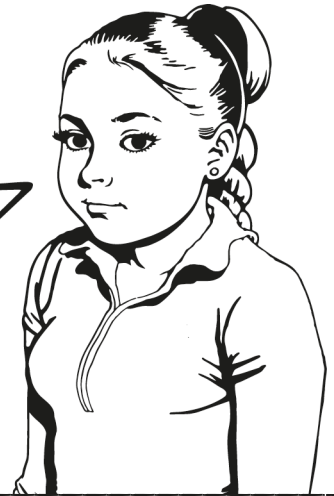
DO YOU HAVE A NAME FOR YOUR CHARACTER? DON'T WORRY, THINKING OF NAMES FOR CHARACTERS CAN BE REALLY HARD. (YOU CAN USE YOUR OWN NAME IF YOU WANT TO).

TOP TIPS



WHEN PEOPLE READ STORIES THEY START TO IMAGINE IN THEIR MIND WHAT IS GOING ON – LIKE MAKING THEIR OWN HOME MOVIE. DO YOU DO THIS WHEN READING STORIES?

DESCRIBING WHAT A CHARACTER LOOKS LIKE AND HOW THEY SPEAK CAN REALLY HELP READERS SEE AND HEAR YOUR CHARACTER IN THEIR OWN HOME MOVIE OF YOUR STORY.



YOUR STORY: WHAT IS YOUR STORY ABOUT?

YOUR STORY WILL BE ABOUT AN INSPIRATIONAL CLIMATE CHAMPION WHO ENCOURAGES / MOTIVATES OTHERS TO HELP REDUCE CLIMATE CHANGE.

TO HELP YOU THINK ABOUT YOUR STORY, LET'S FIND OUT MORE ABOUT:

- WHAT CLIMATE CHANGE IS
- THE CAUSES OF CLIMATE CHANGE
- THE CONSEQUENCES
- WHAT CAN BE DONE.

WRITE DOWN ANY NOTES HERE

(YOU CAN READ MORE ABOUT THIS IN OUR LEARNING RESOURCE).

WE NEED TO THINK OF THE FOLLOWING

- **WHAT PART OF CLIMATE CHANGE WILL WE WRITE ABOUT**
- **WHAT CAN WE DO TO TACKLE IT AND INSPIRE OTHERS TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.**

WHAT PART OF CLIMATE CHANGE WORRIES YOU THE MOST / WOULD YOU LIKE TO WRITE ABOUT?

WE NEED TO SWITCH TO MORE SUSTAINABLE FUELS SUCH AS HYDROPOWER.



DO YOU THINK WE CAN STILL DO SOMETHING BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE?



WE NEED TO REUSE AND RECYCLE ITEMS.

ONE OF THE MAIN CAUSES OF CLIMATE CHANGE IS THE OVERUSE OF PLASTIC WHICH IS THROWING OUR ECO-SYSTEMS OUT OF BALANCE.



WHAT DO YOU THINK WE CAN DO?

YOUR STORY: WHAT WILL HAPPEN?

THE PLOT IS BASICALLY WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN IN YOUR STORY. OVER THOUSANDS OF YEARS, AUTHORS HAVE USED BASIC PLOT STRUCTURES TO HELP THEM THINK OF THE START, THE MIDDLE AND THE END OF THEIR STORY AND IN ALL SORTS OF DIFFERENT GENRES. SOME STORIES CONTAIN LOTS OF PLOTS, SOME ONLY ONE.

BELOW ARE FOUR OF THESE BASIC PLOT STRUCTURES. LOOK AT THE DEFINITION PROVIDED AND SEE IF YOU CAN THINK OF SOME STORIES YOU HAVE READ OR WATCHED ON TELEVISION OR AT THE CINEMA THAT HAVE THIS TYPE OF PLOT STRUCTURE.

OVERCOMING THE MONSTER

THIS IS MOST COMMON OF ALL PLOT TYPES. IN THE STORY THERE IS A BADDIE (THE ANTAGONIST) WHO IS THREATENING TO DO SOMETHING AGAINST OUR MAIN CHARACTER (OR THE WORLD). THE MONSTER COULD BE A PERSON, AN ORGANISATION, A GOVERNMENT OR A COMPANY.

QUEST

TO OVERCOME THE MONSTER, SOMETIMES THE MAIN CHARACTER HAS TO GO OUT ON AN ADVENTURE FACING OBSTACLES ON THE WAY.

TRAGEDY

SOMETIMES YOU CANNOT OVERCOME THE MONSTER AND THERE IS NO HAPPY ENDING.

REBIRTH

THIS IS WHERE THE MAIN CHARACTER STARTS OFF AS A SORT OF ANTI-HERO, NOT SO NICE AND KIND BUT, THROUGH A SERIES OF EVENTS, REALISES THE ERROR OF THEIR WAYS AND CHANGES BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE.

CAN YOU THINK OF A PLOT TYPE (OR MAYBE TWO OR THREE) YOU WOULD WANT TO HAVE IN YOUR STORY?

DILEMMAS

YOU ALREADY KNOW WHAT PART OF THE CLIMATE CHANGE PROBLEM YOU WANT TO WRITE ABOUT. HERE WE ARE GOING TO LOOK AT **HOW** WE CAN TRY AND TACKLE IT.

A DILEMMA IS THE PROBLEM THE MAIN CHARACTER HAS TO FACE IN A STORY. IN ALL STORIES THERE MUST BE SOME SORT OF DILEMMA FOR YOUR MAIN CHARACTER TO FACE.

THE MAIN DILEMMA IN OUR STORIES ISN'T CLIMATE CHANGE ITSELF BUT THE CAUSES OF CLIMATE CHANGE.

PLEASE REMEMBER, THERE IS NO EASY WAY TO FIX THE CAUSES OF CLIMATE CHANGE. AS MUCH AS WE WOULD LOVE TO SNAP OUR FINGERS AND MAKE THEM GO AWAY, IT IS GOING TO TAKE SOME TIME AND ALL OF US TO SORT THINGS OUT.

WE ARE GOING TO WATCH A VIDEO TO HELP US. WRITE DOWN ANY NOTES HERE.

THINKING ABOUT THE PLOT TYPES ABOVE CAN HELP. DO YOU?

- OVERCOME A DILEMMA ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE BY TAKING ACTION OR BY SPEAKING TO PEOPLE IN CHARGE?**
- HAVE TO GO ON A QUEST FACING PROBLEMS LIKE PEOPLE SAYING NO TO YOU (BUT IN THE END SUCCEED)?**
- FIND IT REALLY DIFFICULT TO DO ANYTHING, DESPITE ALL YOUR BEST EFFORTS, BECAUSE THERE IS NOT ENOUGH SUPPORT (AND THEREFORE YOUR STORY IS A TRAGEDY).**
- MANAGE TO PERSUADE SOMEONE WHO PREVIOUSLY DID NOT WANT TO HELP FIGHT THE CLIMATE CHANGE PROBLEM TO NOW DO SO (AND THIS WOULD BE A REBIRTH STORY)**

HOW ARE WE GOING TO TACKLE THE CLIMATE CHANGE ISSUE?

AS A GROUP LET US CHAT ABOUT OUR IDEAS AND WHY WE THINK THEY ARE A GOOD IDEA.

WHO CAN HELP OR STOP US TRYING TO HELP SAVE OUR PLANET? TICK WHETHER THEY COULD HELP OR STOP US.

OUR FRIENDS	HELP US	<input type="checkbox"/>	STOP US	<input type="checkbox"/>
POLITICIANS	HELP US	<input type="checkbox"/>	STOP US	<input type="checkbox"/>
TEACHERS / OUR SCHOOL	HELP US	<input type="checkbox"/>	STOP US	<input type="checkbox"/>
OUR FAMILY	HELP US	<input type="checkbox"/>	STOP US	<input type="checkbox"/>
OUR NEIGHBOURS	HELP US	<input type="checkbox"/>	STOP US	<input type="checkbox"/>
COMPANIES	HELP US	<input type="checkbox"/>	STOP US	<input type="checkbox"/>

ANY OTHERS

AT FIRST THEY MAY TRY AND STOP US BUT, IN A REBIRTH TYPE OF STORY, THEY MAY CHANGE THEIR MIND AFTER LISTENING TO YOU.



YOUR STORY: WHERE IS IT SET?

CREATING A SCENE FOR OUR STORY

OUR STORIES NEED TO START SOMEWHERE. STRAIGHT AWAY LET'S GET OUR READERS EMOTIONAL ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON BY CREATING A HEART BREAKING SCENE ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE.

WHEN THINKING ABOUT A SCENE THINK OF:

- WHAT THE WEATHER IS LIKE
- WHAT IS IN THE SCENE (USING COLOUR HELPS READERS VISUALISE THE SCENE)
- WHAT OTHER SENSES ARE IN THE SCENE? FOR EXAMPLE: WHAT NOISES OR SMELLS ARE THERE?
- IS THERE ANY MOVEMENT? FOR EXAMPLE: IS IT WINDY OR RAINING OR ARE THERE PEOPLE OR ANIMALS DOING SOMETHING IN PARTICULAR?
- THINK OF A POOR INNOCENT ANIMAL OR CHILD SUFFERING BECAUSE OF WHAT IS GOING ON AND DESCRIBE THIS IN THE SETTING.

EXERCISE

HAVE A GO AT DESCRIBING THE SCENE I WILL SHOW YOU IN THE WORKSHOP. LET US SEE WHAT WE PUT DOWN.

HAVE A GO SETTING THE FIRST SCENE FOR YOUR STORY. REMEMBER, YOU WANT TO CREATE A VERY POWERFUL AND EMOTIONAL SCENE. IF IT HELPS, DRAW YOUR SCENE HERE.

THIS IS A CREATIVE WRITING PROJECT SO YOU WILL NEED TO USE WORDS TO DESCRIBE THE SCENE IN YOUR STORY.

YOUR STORY: A MORAL FOR YOUR STORY

THIS MEANS WHAT CAN BE LEARNED FROM READING YOUR STORY. AS EXAMPLES:

- IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO HELP FIGHT CLIMATE CHANGE.
- WE ALL NEED TO WORK TOGETHER TO STOP CLIMATE CHANGE.

YOUR STORY: PLANNING YOUR STORY

IT IS ALWAYS IMPORTANT TO PLAN EVERYTHING YOU WANT TO HAVE IN YOUR STORY BEFORE YOU WRITE IT.
LET US GO THROUGH A BASIC PLAN AND TALK THROUGH IT.

WRITE DOWN ANY NOTES HERE ABOUT THE BASIC PLAN.

PART ONE: SET THE SCENE

PART TWO: INTRODUCE YOUR CLIMATE CHAMPION

PART THREE: WHAT PART OF CLIMATE CHANGE IS YOUR STORY ABOUT?

PART FOUR: WHO OR WHAT IS STOPPING YOU TACKLE THIS ISSUE?

PART FIVE: WHAT HAPPENS. DO YOU OVERCOME THE DILEMMA?

PART SIX: THE MORAL

WRITING UP YOUR STORY

YOUR STORY CAN BE UP TO 1000 WORDS LONG. YOU CAN WRITE IT OR TYPE IT UP BUT ONLY THOSE TYPED UP WILL BE SHARED ONLINE. IF YOU LIKE, YOU CAN DRAW SOME PICTURES TO GO WITH IT OR ADD IMAGES.

THE DEADLINE FOR YOUR STORY WILL BE 19TH AUGUST 2024. I WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH YOUR FAMILY ABOUT THIS AND HOW WE CAN SHOWCASE YOUR STORY TOO.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES, PLEASE ASK A PARENT OR CARER TO GET IN TOUCH.

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