

English Learning Pack Spring Week 2

Monday

On a Monday we will usually do some spelling and grammar activities. Use the BBC Bitesize lesson to review your knowledge of suffixes and complete the activities. If you can use this link, great, if not just focus on the activity below.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z29t2v4>

Activity 3

A great way to learn how to spell words that end in a certain suffix is to use them in a **silly sentence**.

Look at this list of words that end with **-cious** or **-tious**.

- precious
- malicious
- cautious
- vicious
- suspicious
- fictitious
- delicious
- ambitious
- nutritious

Here's an example of a silly sentence that uses **five** of these words.

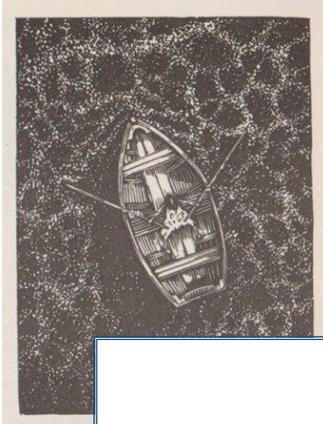
The malicious, vicious and ambitious robber stole a precious diamond and hid it in a bowl of nutritious soup.



How many of these words can you use in silly sentences of your own? Write at least **two** silly sentences, using at least **five** of the words each time.

Tuesday

'Far way on the horizon was a massive, ancient, stone building. It had two tall towers that stuck into the sky, one at the end and another shorter one in the middle. She couldn't see that there was any land underneath it, and it looked as if it was floating on the sea.' P12



Draw what you imagine she saw from the distance.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin blue border, intended for the student to draw their imagination of the scene described in the text.

Now think about what might happen next....

Who could the people be that she meets?

Will they be friendly?

What could happen to Zoe next?

Do you feel hopeful or worried about what could happen next?

Wednesday

Read Then - Chapter 1

You can listen to the author reading the chapter here: <https://youtu.be/tSap8FUQaaA>

What do you think they mean by 'cats', 'pigs' and 'eels'?

Why do they think the characters are using language like this?

Why doesn't Zoe understand them?

Scrag

Find all these on page 15 and 16.

Read the sentences again and think about what the word might mean.

Paper Task 3

Make up your own dictionary entry for this word.

Decide what word class it is and what it means. Give your own example of a sentence.

Also choose 5 synonyms that could go with it, into a thesaurus

'Let's scrag her anyway' p15

'Let's scrag her' p16

'...or we'll scrag you properly' p16

Scrag

Word class:

This means:

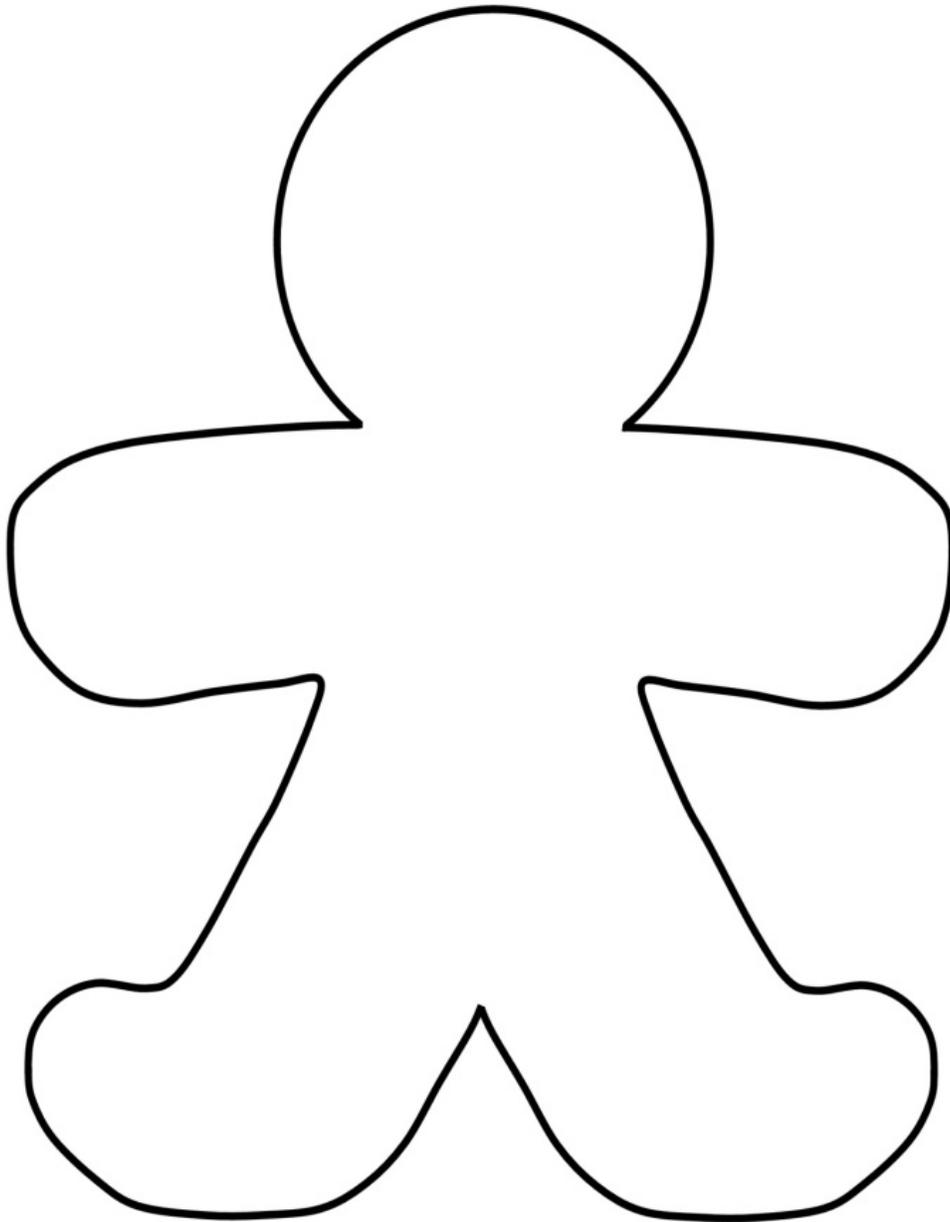
An example of a sentence where it is used might be:

Synonyms include:

Task 4

Complete another character template for one of the characters we have met. (Spat, Dooby, Munchkin or William)

Write words or phrases they would use to describe the characters' feelings and personality, on the inside of the outline and what the group you about their outward appearance or facts and other information about them to be stuck on the outside.



Task 5

Recap Then Chapter 1.

Where do you think Eels might be? Can you make a connection with anywhere on the map?



Ely has a famous cathedral.

Think about any cathedrals and famous buildings you have been to. How would it feel to be in a place like this?

Look at some of the vocabulary and phrases used to describe the cathedral in the book.

‘Huddled in small groups round smoking fires were the scraps of people’

‘She stared at the building which had once been magnificent. The floor was thick with dirt and heaps of rubbish’.

Can you find any others?

What mood is created by the author through the descriptions? What impression do you get of the cathedral?

Draw a table onto a piece of paper like the one below and record the descriptions and what impression they give you of the cathedral.

Description	Impression
‘Huddled in small groups round smoking fires were the scraps of people’	
‘She stared at the building which had once been magnificent. The floor was thick with dirt and heaps of rubbish’.	

Reflect on the difference between the cathedral as it is now and the cathedral as depicted in the dystopia future of the novel. How does it make them feel to imagine this building in this state? How do they think Zoe is feeling at this point in the novel?