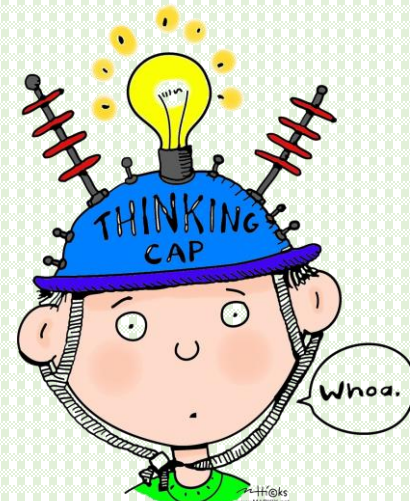


Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2020

WALT write an interesting introduction.

WILF:

- Give details of where they live and how old they are.
- Use facts
- Powerful verbs and interesting adjectives.
- Varying sentence lengths.



# "SPAG-tacular" Starter



Please complete the SPAG starter for today.

## Grammar and Punctuation

Put **brackets** into these sentences.

My favourite book The Hobbit is a fantasy story.

It was a rainy day a Monday when the fire alarm went off!

The dog which was called Sid never stopped barking!

Write your own sentences using brackets.



# Introductions

An introduction is used to give the reader an idea of what the writing is about, as well as to hook them in. We need to make them feel interested enough to read on.

This is an example of an autobiography opening that captures our interest and sets the scene:

I woke up when the bomb came through the roof. It came through at an angle, overflowed my bed by inches, bounced up over my mother's bed, hit the mirror, dropped into the grate and exploded up the chimney. It was an incendiary. A fire-bomb.



The first paragraph from '*War Boy: A wartime childhood*' by Michael Foreman, Pavilion Children's books.

It instantly sets the scene - he's in his bedroom, there's a bomb bouncing around - it throws us into the action and makes us think: *what happened next?*  
*Look at the vocabulary choices - why is it interesting to read?*

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The descriptive language is important for helping us see the from the viewpoint of the person writing.

To help us with this, we use: powerful verbs, interesting adjectives, facts and different sentence lengths.

Example: Writing as Cleopatra in an autobiography, using facts.



I grew up watching my father (Ptolemy XII) rule Egypt. He bewitched the people with his fanciful flute and his tactical teamwork with the Greeks. I had not expected to become a fearless queen so soon, battling for my rightful rule at age eighteen.



## Your activity:

Using the Tutankhamun fact file from yesterday, write an introduction as Tutankhamun which uses facts and descriptive language to interest the reader.

Use the WILF to help you:

- Give details of where he live and how old he is.
- Use facts.
- Powerful verbs and interesting adjectives.
- Varying sentence lengths.

Remember, it needs to be in chronological order, so the introduction should take place before the event you write about.

