

Year 9

Language

Language variation and change

Content Descriptor	Folder Names
Understand that Standard Australian English is a living language within which the creation and loss of words and the evolution of usage is ongoing	<i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.

Language for interaction

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Understand that roles and relationships are developed and challenged through language and interpersonal skills	<i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.
Investigate how evaluation can be expressed directly and indirectly using devices, for example allusion, evocative vocabulary and metaphor	<i>Further development planned</i>

Text structure and organisation

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Understand that authors innovate with text structures and language for specific purposes and effects	<i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.
Compare and contrast the use of cohesive devices in texts, focusing on how they serve to signpost ideas, to make connections and to build semantic associations between ideas	<i>Writing:</i> Writing skills lessons that unpack the features and structures of various text types and provide opportunities for the creation of students' own texts.
Understand how punctuation is used along with layout and font variations in constructing texts for different audiences and purposes	<i>Language Conventions:</i> Lessons teaching the use of key punctuation points, parts of speech, and sentence structure. <i>Viewing:</i> This unit covers core visual literacy skills and provides the opportunity to practice those skills in the

context of different visual texts.

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Expressing and developing ideas

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Explain how authors creatively use the structures of sentences and clauses for particular effects	<i>Language Conventions:</i> Lessons teaching the use of key punctuation points, parts of speech, and sentence structure.
Understand how certain abstract nouns can be used to summarise preceding or subsequent stretches of text	<i>Further development planned</i>
Analyse and explain the use of symbols, icons and myth in still and moving images and how these augment meaning	<i>Viewing:</i> This unit covers core visual literacy skills and provides the opportunity to practice those skills in the context of different visual texts.
Identify how vocabulary choices contribute to specificity, abstraction and stylistic effectiveness	<p><i>Spelling & Vocabulary:</i> Spelling lists and smart lessons covering common and useful vocabulary, and spelling strategies and rules.</p> <p><i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.</p>
Understand how spelling is used creatively in texts for particular effects, for example characterisation and humour and to represent accents and styles of speech	<i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.

Literature

Literature and context

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Interpret and compare how representations of people and culture in literary texts are drawn from different historical, social and cultural contexts	<i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.

Responding to literature

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Present an argument about a literary text based on initial impressions and subsequent analysis of the whole text	<i>Further development planned</i>
Reflect on, discuss and explore notions of literary value and how and why such notions vary according to context	<i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.
Explore and reflect on personal understanding of the world and significant human experience gained from interpreting various representations of life matters in texts	

Examining literature

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Analyse texts from familiar and unfamiliar contexts, and discuss and evaluate their content and the appeal of an individual author's literary style	<i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.
Investigate and experiment with the use and effect of extended metaphor, metonymy, allegory, icons, myths and symbolism in texts, for example poetry, short films, graphic novels, and plays on similar themes	
Analyse text structures and language features of literary texts, and make relevant comparisons with other texts	<i>Language Features:</i> Lessons teaching the use and effect of key language features such as metaphor, simile, onomatopoeia and symbolism.

Creating literature

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Create literary texts, including hybrid texts, that innovate on aspects of other texts, for example by using parody, allusion and appropriation	<i>Writing:</i> Writing skills lessons that unpack the features and structures of various text types and provide opportunities for the creation of students' own texts.
Experiment with the ways that language features, image and sound can be adapted in literary texts, for example the effects of stereotypical characters and settings, the playfulness of humour and pun and the use of hyperlink	<i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.

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Texts in context

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Analyse how the construction and interpretation of texts, including media texts, can be influenced by cultural perspectives and other texts	<p><i>Information Literacy:</i> Lessons teaching the importance of media and information literacy in a digital age. This unit covers critical thinking, evaluating media, global digital citizenship and more.</p> <p><i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.</p>

Interacting with others

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Listen to spoken texts constructed for different purposes, for example to entertain and to persuade, and analyse how language features of these texts position listeners to respond in particular ways	<p><i>Speaking & Listening:</i> Lessons that cover the basic types of spoken texts and look at listening skills when interacting with others.</p> <p><i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.</p>
Use interaction skills to present and discuss an idea and to influence and engage an audience by selecting persuasive language, varying voice tone, pitch, and pace, and using elements such as music and sound effects	<p><i>Speaking & Listening:</i> Lessons that cover the basic types of spoken texts and look at listening skills when interacting with others.</p> <p><i>Presenting:</i> Lessons covering the basics of planning and delivering a presentation.</p>
Plan, rehearse and deliver presentations, selecting and sequencing appropriate content and multimodal elements for aesthetic and playful purposes	<p><i>Presenting:</i> Lessons covering the basics of planning and delivering a presentation.</p>

Interpreting, analysing, evaluating

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Interpret, analyse and evaluate how different perspectives of issue, event, situation, individuals or groups are constructed to serve specific purposes in texts	<i>Further development planned</i>

Apply an expanding vocabulary to read increasingly complex texts with fluency and comprehension	<p><i>Spelling & Vocabulary:</i> Spelling lists and smart lessons covering common and useful vocabulary, and spelling strategies and rules.</p> <p><i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.</p>
Use comprehension strategies to interpret and analyse texts, comparing and evaluating representations of an event, issue, situation or character in different texts	<p><i>Reading:</i> Lessons that cover contextual reading comprehension using a wide range of text types, reading comprehension strategies, and literary devices. This folder of lessons also includes a unit on Shakespeare and his works, and the history of the English language.</p> <p><i>Viewing:</i> This unit covers core visual literacy skills and provides the opportunity to practice those skills in the context of different visual texts.</p>
Explore and explain the combinations of language and visual choices that authors make to present information, opinions and perspectives in different texts	<p><i>Viewing:</i> This unit covers core visual literacy skills and provides the opportunity to practice those skills in the context of different visual texts.</p>

Creating texts

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Create imaginative, informative and persuasive texts that present a point of view and advance or illustrate arguments, including texts that integrate visual, print and/or audio features	<p><i>Writing:</i> Writing skills lessons that unpack the features and structures of various text types and provide opportunities for the creation of students' own texts.</p> <p><i>Viewing:</i> This unit covers core visual literacy skills and provides the opportunity to practice those skills in the context of different visual texts.</p>
Review and edit students' own and others' texts to improve clarity and control over content, organisation, paragraphing, sentence structure, vocabulary and audio/visual features	<p><i>Writing:</i> Writing skills lessons that unpack the features and structures of various text types and provide opportunities for the creation of students' own texts.</p> <p><i>The peer review function of EP allows peers to review and comment on each others' work.</i></p>
Use a range of software, including word processing programs, flexibly and imaginatively to publish texts	<p><i>Support by EP platform features such as our extended response sections</i></p>