



English Language Out Of Hours Factual Writing Intervention



Seasons

THE HARDER
YOU WORK
FOR SOMETHING,
THE GREATER
YOU'LL FEEL
WHEN YOU
ACHIEVE IT.

Write an article for a series in a magazine entitled 'My Favourite Time of the Year'

Article =
Intro
Paragraphs
Conclusion

THIS IS NOT A STORY – YOU HAVE TO MAKE SURE YOU DON'T TELL A STORY ABOUT THE TIME OF YEAR – **EXPLAIN WHY** IT IS YOUR FAVOURITE TIME OF YEAR!

Spellings – use these in a sentence

- Celebration - _____
- Rejoice - _____
- Immense - _____
- Atmosphere - _____
- Enthusiastic - _____
- Delightful - _____
- Enjoyable - _____
- Wonderful - _____
- Sense - _____

How to approach this

- Intro – few lines describing + reveal the season
 - Para 1 – ONE reason why it favourite
 - Para 2 – SECOND reason why it favourite
 - Para 3 – THIRD reason why it favourite
 - Conclusion – few lines describe / perhaps how you would feel without it
- What skills do you need to use?
 - Description of scenes
 - Emotions of time
 - Triplets
 - Adjectives
 - Things you do / associate with that time of year

Different introductions – what do you think....

Any errors to fix?

- Christmas! Christmas! Christmas! I really like Christmas. What an exciting enchanting and enjoyable time of the year. I count down to Christmas every year because I cant wait for it to happen. I love Christmas!
- 12 months a year. 365 days a year. 24 hours a day. Time disappears like a lightening bolt; experiences are often fleeting. We often feel entrapped and oppressed in our world of rules and routines. Yet when we have a special, unique and personal favourite time of the year, it makes the countdown more bearable. Life becomes worthwhile when Christmas is in sight.....

Annotate these to show devices
and positives used

Introductions

- Model 1
- Positive points
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- Negative points
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- Model 2
- Positive points
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- Negative points
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Different interpretations - what do you think.... Correct any mistakes in these

- Flowers budding birds chirping peace and tranquillity is restored. Everything comes back to life! Spring sees the death of the winter and the approach of new opportunities, new trys, a new season.
- Spring! Sun! Spectacular! The sun is peeking out and the dark days are coming to an end. Life wins out and we can enjoy the beggining of new, new, new. Spring – the best time of the year!

Avoiding 'I'

- Avoid using 'I' when possible – swap your sentence round if needs be – can you complete these....

- I really love the countdown to Christmas.

- The countdown to Christmas is magical.

- I love the sights and sounds of Christmas

- _____

- I can't wait until the days of the Christmas season approach

- _____

Opening lines – Topic sentences.

Make it clear at beginning of your paragraph what it is going to be about

The world is transformed at Christmas. The dream for a white Christmas becomes a reality. The wonderment of peeking through a curtain and not recognising anything – a pure, white blanket of perfection covers everything! The pitter patter of feet, the crunch of the newly formed weapons ready and waiting to attack those who do not suspect the battle ahead. The war brings a sense of unity. Everyone joins in. Acting as one – fun in the snow. Everything is better at Christmas!

Planning

- Decide the reasons WHY this is your favourite season for each paragraph

- 1- _____

- 2 - _____

- 3 - _____

- Over to you – you have 30 mins to write this up.
- Good luck and well done!