

World Book Day: The Library of Imagination

Learning objective: To use expanded noun phrases, adventurous adjectives, and higher-order thinking to construct a creative book review and character analysis.

Pip the bookworm caterpillar is organising the Great Library of Imagination for World Book Day. To help him, you must complete the tasks below. Use the word bank to help you add descriptive detail to your writing, and answer the deeper thinking questions to show your understanding of storytelling.

Word bank: enchanting · mysterious · courageous · breathtaking · dazzling · unforgettable · extraordinary · vivid · captivating · whimsical

1. Pip has discovered a dusty, ancient book with no title. Create an 'enchanting' title for this mystery book and explain why a reader would be 'captivated' by it from the first page. (2 marks)

2. Describe a 'courageous' character who might live in a 'mysterious' forest. Use at least two expanded noun phrases in your description. (2 marks)

3. Compare and contrast two different settings for a story (e.g., a bustling city vs. a quiet, hidden cave). Which setting would be better for a mystery story? Justify your choice. (3 marks)

4. If you were writing a book about a journey, explain why the 'dazzling' sights the hero sees are just as important as the 'extraordinary' challenges they face. (2 marks)

5. What might happen if a character discovered a book where the words changed depending on their mood? Explain how this could change the plot of a story. (3 marks)

6. Justify your answer: Is it better for a story to have a hero who is perfect, or a hero who makes mistakes? Explain your reasoning using evidence from stories you know. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a cover for your own imaginary book. Include a central character, a 'whimsical' setting, and a title that uses at least one adjective from the word bank.



Extension challenge: Write a short blurb (a teaser paragraph) for your book cover. It must end with a cliffhanger that would make a reader desperately want to open the book and start reading immediately.