

Writing Scaffold: The Magnificent Mystery Creature

Learning objective: To structure a non-chronological report using subheadings, formal language, and organised paragraphs.

Use this scaffold to help you write a report about an imaginary creature. Think about what your creature looks like, where it lives, and what it likes to eat. Remember to use formal, objective language and include interesting facts.

Hidden deep within the dense, misty forests of the Whispering Valley lives the elusive Silver-Winged Prowler, a creature rarely seen by human eyes.

Word bank: furthermore · additionally · in addition to · consequently · notably · typically · possesses · characteristic · extraordinary · habitat

1. Introduction: Briefly describe your creature and where it can be found. Start with: The [Creature Name] is a fascinating species that... (2 marks)

2. Physical Appearance: Describe the features of your creature. Start with: One of the most distinctive features of this animal is its... (2 marks)

3. Habitat and Diet: Explain where it lives and what it consumes. Start with: These creatures are primarily found in [Location] where they feed on... (2 marks)

4. Behaviour: What does your creature do during the day or night? Start with: During the daylight hours, the [Creature Name] tends to... (2 marks)

5. Did You Know?: Add a surprising or fun fact about your creature. Start with: Interestingly, this creature has the unique ability to... (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Challenge: Add a glossary at the end of your report to define three complex words you have used, just like Kit the fox would do when explaining his clever computing puzzles!