

English Home-Learning

Have fun! Your teachers look forward to hearing all about your work on your return to school!

Watch or read the story of Jack and the Beanstalk

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= VCpAYajmvo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VCpAYajmvo)

A statement is a sentence that just gives information. It is punctuated with a full-stop ● e.g. The tree is dark green.	A question is a sentence where an answer is expected and it is punctuated with a question mark ? e.g. Will the leaves ever fall off the trees?	An exclamatory sentence starts with 'how' or 'what' but it does not need an answer, (it is more of a statement and must have a verb) this sentence ends with an exclamation mark ! e.g.1. What lovely leaves that tree has! 2. How beautiful the leaves sound in the wind!	Exclamations are also used to express a response of shock, excitement or emergency. e.g. Stop it! Ah! Wow! Help!	A command is a sentence that tells someone what to do. It is direct (bossy) and does not use a pronoun. It can end in a full stop ● and sometimes and exclamation mark ! e.g. 1. Place your hand on the tree. 2. Get down from that tree, right now!
Thinking about the story of Jack and the Beanstalk -try to write 5 statements, 5 questions and 5 commands. Try to think of 5 times the character could have used an exclamation to show shock, excitement or emergency. Don't forget to punctuate your sentences accurately with a capital letter to start and a punctuation mark to end ● ? ! Challenge: Can you write 3 exclamatory sentences.				
Nouns are the names of people, places or things. Can you write a list of nouns you heard in the story?	Adjectives are words used to describe a noun. e.g. <u>red</u> coat, <u>sweet</u> smile. Can you use adjectives to write a description of the Jack and the Giant?	Verbs are words that tell you what someone / something is doing / being. e.g. <u>ran</u> in the wood it <u>was</u> a path What verbs did you hear in the story? Make a list		

Writing - Choose some of the writing activities from the ideas below.

Character Write a description of your favourite character. What do they look like and what is their personality like?	Setting Write a description of what would happen if you decided to be like Jack and climb high up a tree, what would you see? What would you find when you get to the top?	Retell Retell the story in detail, remembering to use description.	Adapt the plot If Jack had decided to follow his mother's advice and sell the cow, what do you think would have happened in the story? Write your own version.
Write a book review Name of the story. What happens in the story? Who is your favourite character and why? What is your favourite part? Who would you recommend this story to?	Adapt the plot - alternative viewpoint. Write the story from the giant's point of view - how would he see the events? How would he feel if someone was coming into his house and taking his things?	Change of genre Imagine if this story was reported in a newspaper. What would the news article say about the incident?	Use the story message Make a poster telling people not to climb up the Beanstalk. What advice would you give to people?



Reading/watching response /further reading - choose some activities from the ideas below.

Words Were there any words you didn't understand from the story? Look them up in a dictionary - either a book or online	Questions If you could speak to the characters in the story, what would you ask them?	Questions If you could speak to the author of the story, what questions would you ask them?	VIP's (summarise) What are the absolute 'very important' bits of the story? Can you summarise events in as few words as possible?
Alternative versions Watch or read alternative versions of the story. How are they similar, how are they different?	Compare the character Do you know any other stories with a similar character to Jack or a similar character to the giant? Compare the characters that are similar - what is the same or different about them?	The setting Do you know any other stories that have a similar setting to Jack and the Beanstalk? If you were to write a story, can you describe it's setting?	Compare the plot Do you know of any stories where similar events happen? What is the same / different about them?
Perform the story Act out the story, pretending to be the characters. Use expression to make your voice like the character's voice.	Perform a poem Find a poem about a giant. Perform it, remembering to change the use of your voice and use actions to make your performance better. Or if you have written your own, perform that! <i>Remember: we did acrostic poems about Winter!</i>	Character role Imagine you are Jack's mum. What would she say to the giant if she met him?	Character role Imagine you were the man who gave Jack the beans - What would he say to the police when he reported the incident to the police or newspaper?