## Year 2 – English Homework

To help you understand what we have been learning this week I would like you to complete the following questions into your homework book.

I would also like you to spend some time reading with an adult at home and to write this down in the reading record tracking sheet in the front of your homework book.

Remember homework is due in on **WEDNESDAY 18th JANUARY.** 

## Use 'and', but' or 'or' to join clauses

Kate's teacher has asked her to improve her work by joining her simple sentences using 'or', 'but' or 'and' to make a compound sentence. Can you help her by turning her sentences into compound sentences?

Remember to take out the first full stop and the second capital letter. E.g. Jake was at the park. It was sunny.



#### Jake was at the park and it was sunny.

1.	John	went	to	the	shop.	He	bought	some	sweets.
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- 2. Should Rachel buy sweets? Should she buy chocolate?
- 3. Terry missed the bus. He still managed to get to school on time.
- 4. Jennifer might win the competition. Tracy could win too.
- 5. Peter needed to wear sun cream. He had forgotten to pack it.
- 6. In football class, James learnt to dribble the ball. He learnt how to pass.
- 7. The children went to fly a kite. It wasn't windy outside.
- 8. The teacher sat at his desk. He marked some books.

# A Winter Scene

Use 'and', 'but' or 'or' to join clauses



Look at the picture above of a winter scene. Please complete the sentences below to make a compound sentence with 'or', 'and' or 'but'.

It was cold and
Tom threw a snowball at Amy but
Noah wondered if he should join the snowball fight or
The ice was slippy and  Tom felt very cold but
The snowman had a hat on his head and

## A Postcard from Mo Farah

- 2 Hello Dad,
- 11 I'm writing to you from my running camp in
- 19 Africa. We have been training hard and working
- 29 up a real sweat. It is important that we work
- 42 hard to keep fit so that we can be the best in
- 50 the race; that includes making sure that we are
- 58 eating healthy foods to keep our bodies strong.
- 67 For breakfast today, I had a bowl of porridge
- 78 with a banana on top. For lunch, I ate a jacket
- 87 potato with beans and a salad. For my evening
- 96 meal tonight, I'm going to be having chicken
- 103 with pasta and vegetables. I love eating healthy
- 114 food because it keeps me fit and lets me run for

115 longer.



1. Match the name of the meal to what Mo ate for it.

Breakfast chicken, pasta and vegetables
Lunch porridge with a banana on top

Evening Meal jacket potato with beans

2. Why does Mo want to be the best in the race?

3. '...it keeps me fit' In this sentence, what does 'fit' mean?

4. What else might Mo do to keep his body healthy?

### Phase 4 - 6

# Polar Animals

### **Polar Bears**

Polar bears live in the Arctic. They have a layer of fat and a thick coat of fur to keep them warm.

A polar bear's fur looks white but it is not. It is transparent. This means that it is see-through. It looks white because it

reflects light.



#### Fun Fact

Polar bears have black skin.

Polar bears are strong swimmers. They use their huge feet like paddles to pull them through the water.

They can swim for hours to get from one piece of ice to another.

Polar bears are the biggest meat-eating land animals in the world. They have a strong sense of smell to help them to hunt and catch seals to eat.



## Penguins

Some types of penguins live in the Antarctic. Penguins are birds. They lay eggs and baby penguins are called chicks.



A penguin's wings are called flippers and they are used to help them swim.



Penguins have mainly black and white feathers. They have a white front and a black back. Some penguins have some orange or yellow feathers around their heads.

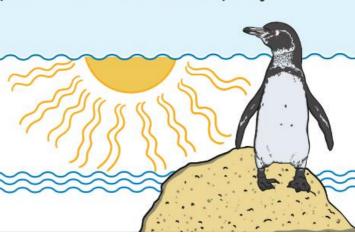


Penguins are great swimmers. They can also walk on land. The way they walk is described as a waddle. Some penguins slide along the snow on their fronts. This is called tobogganing.

Penguins have a layer of fat to keep them warm and waterproof feathers to keep them dry.

### Did You Know...?

Penguins can't fly.



# Questions

1.	What colour is a polar bear's skin? Tick one.    black
2.	Number the sentences from 1-3 to show the order that they appear in the text.  Some penguins live in the Antarctic.  Polar animals are animals that live in the Arctic or the Antarctic.  Polar bears are the biggest meat-eating land animals in the world.
	Circle <b>one</b> word that suggests that polar bears have a good sense of smell.  Polar bears have a strong sense of smell to help them to hunt and catch seals to eat.  What do polar bears eat?
5.	Find and copy the word that is used to describe when penguins slide along the snow on their fronts.



We would like you to have a go at spelling these words, try to write it out four times, correct yourself if you make a mistake, practice make perfect!

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Example:					
Word:					
Square					

Spelling words	X1	X2	Х3	X4	
January					
Pounds					
Mammals					
Cluttered					
Habitat					

This week, we have introduced our new word of the week, please practise spelling out the word a few times and writing down the definition.

Our word of the week this week is: Fixated

Definition: being obsessed or focused on something.