# English Department 2022





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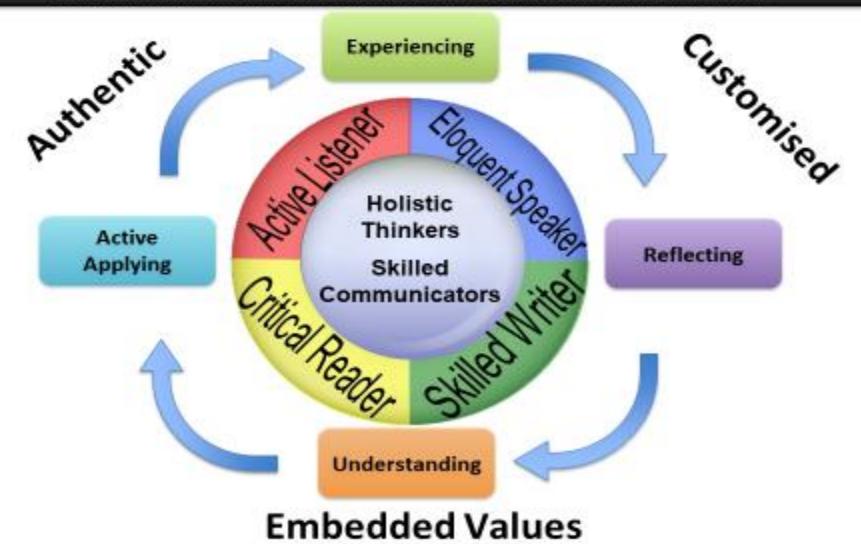
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# **Primary 4 EL Assessment**

	P4 EL
SA1	30%
SA2	70%
OVERALL	100%

# P4 EL SA1 and SA2 Components

Component	Content	Item Type	Weighting
Oral	E.g. reading aloud, stimulus-based conversation	open-ended	16%
Listening comprehension	E.g. picture matching, note- taking	E.g. MCQs, fill-in- the blanks	14%
Language use and comprehension (1h 15 min)	E.g. vocabulary, grammar, cloze fill- in-the blanks, comprehension	E.g. MCQs, sequencing, open- ended comprehension	50%
Composition	E.g. guided writing with picture prompts & helping words	open-ended	20%



# Continuous writing

Write a composition of <u>at least 150 words</u> about **making** choice.

The pictures are provided to help you think about this topic. Your composition should be based on one or more of these pictures.

Consider the following points when you plan your composition:

- What was the choice?
- What did you consider when making the choice?

You may use the points in any order and include other relevant points as well.

The composition must be relevant to the topic and the pictures given









# (NEW) P4 ER Starter Kit for each class

### Primary 4 Extensive Reading Starter Kit

\* Titles in blue are also available as electronic books in the NLB OverDrive.

#### Picture books

S/N	Title	Author
1	Dream Island: The Mad, Mad World of Philip Yeo	Peh Shing Huei
2	Maker Projects for Kids Who Love Sports (Be a Maker!)	Sarah Levete
3	Mister HDB: The Life and Legacy of Lim Kim San	Asad Latif
4	Race to Rio: Joseph Schooling Goes for Olympic Gold	David Seow
5	Secrets of the Heartlands (Lion City Adventures)	Don Bosco
6	Suho: The Horse-Head Fiddle Maker	Catherine Khoo
7	The Meanest Birthday Girl	Josh Schneider
8	The Runaway Who Became President	Amanda Kee
9	The Science of Natural Disasters: The Devastating Truth About Volcanoes, Earthquakes, and Tsunamis (The Science Of)	Alex Woolf
10	The Trampolines That Nadia Built	Darren C. Ong
11	There's A Dinosaur On The 13th Floor	Wade Bradford
12	Where Are All the Birds?: The Extraordinary Mind of Dr Goh Keng Swee	Darel Seow
13	World of Science: Adventure with plants and fungi	Karen Kwek

#### **Graphic novels**

S/N	Title	Author
1	Once Upon A Singapore - Traders	Tina Sim
	The Flying Beaver Brothers and the Crazy Critter Race (Flying Beaver Brothers, Book 6)	Maxwell Eaton III

### Chapter books / Novels

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S/N	Title	Author
1	Ada Lace, on the Case (Ada Lace Adventure)	Emily Calandrelli and Tamson
_	Add Edge, of the case (Add Edge Adventure)	Weston
2	Ban this Book: A novel	Alan Gratz
3	Beards from Outer Space (Pet Defenders)	Gareth P. Jones
4	Because of Winn-Dixie	Kate DiCamillo
5	Deep-sea Disaster (Shark School, Book 1)	Davy Ocean
6	Fish in a Tree	Lynda Mullaly Hunt
7	Football Crazy	Tony Bradman
8	Freddy the Eager Fundraiser	Swapnil Mishra
9	, ,	Jane Paley
10	Lights, Camera, Cook! (Next Best Junior Chef)	Charise Mericle Harper
11	Lock Up Lying	Kayla Pearson and Sophia Day
12	Mayday	Karen Harrington
13	Moo	Sharon Creech
14	Ms. Bixby's Last Day	John David Anderson
15	Nelson	Tor Freeman and Jude Freeman
16	Party Crashers (Beep And Bob, Book 2)	Jonathan Roth
	Set the Stage! (Tiny Geniuses)	Megan E Bryant
18	Shouting at the Rain	Lynda Mullaly Hunt
10	Soccer Shocker! (Project Droid, Book 2)	Nancy Krulik and Amanda
15	Soccer Shocker: (Project Droid, Book 2)	Burwasser
20	Sweet Pizza	G. R. Gemin
21	The Astounding Broccoli Boy	Frank Cottrell Boyce
22	The Best Friend Battle (Sylvie Scruggs)	Lindsay Eyre
23	The Boy With Lightning Feet	Sally Gardner
24	The Creakers	Tom Fletcher
25	The Honest Truth	Dan Gemeinhart
26	The Last Panther	Todd Mitchell
27	The Losers Club	Andrew Clements
28	The Mango Tree	Hidayah Amin
29	The One and Only Ivan	Patricia Castelao
30	The Strongest Girl In The World	Sally Gardner
31	Towers Falling	Jewell Parker Rhodes
32	Violet and the Smugglers	Harriet Whitehorn

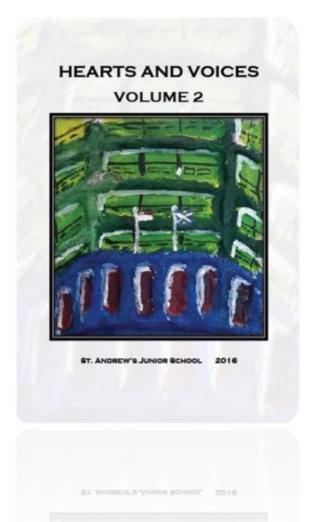


# Learning Opportunities in 2022

- For developing the eloquent speaker in your boy
  - -Book Talks
  - -Classroom Presentations with New Media (book reports, mini projects)
  - Debates with Info and Fact Search (supported by data)
  - –Library Quests
- For developing the skillful writer in your boy
  - -Google Classroom: e-Journal, typed compo (selected pieces)
  - -Writing Cycles
  - -Reflections
  - -Hearts and Voices: Volume 4 (online publication)







# HEARTS AND VOICES VOLUME 3



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# Learning with Text (Recommendations for Parents)

Vocabulary Building	Word Search Charades Flashcards
Strategic Thinking	Chess



## **Word Search**

### **App Store** Preview

This app is available only on the App Store for iPhone and iPad.



### Word Search Quest Puzzles 4+

Train your brain

Blackout Lab

#96 in Trivia

★★★★ 4.7 • 6K Ratings

Free

Screenshots iPhone iPad

https://apps.apple.com/us/app/word-search-unlimited-puzzles/id1024928081#?platform=ipad



## **Charades!**

### **App Store** Preview

This app is available only on the App Store for iPhone and iPad.



### Charades!™ 4+

Family Game Night FatChicken Studios

#24 in Card

\*\*\*\* 4.3 • 4.8K Ratings

Free · Offers In-App Purchases

https://apps.apple.com/us/app/charades/id653967729#?platform=ipad



# Flashcards by NKO+



Flashcards by NKO



https://library.stonybrook.edu/2016/11/18/tech-spotlight-flashcards-by-nko/



## Chess

### App Store Preview

This app is available only on the App Store for iPhone and iPad.



### Chess for Kids - Play & Learn 4+

Chess.com

\*\*\*\* 4.7 • 3.4K Ratings

Free · Offers In-App Purchases

https://apps.apple.com/us/app/chess-for-kids-play-learn/id629375826#?platform=ipad



# **Library Programme 2022**

□ Termly Book Promotions / Quizzes

 (NEW) Post Book Bag Reading: Teacher-Student Face-Off via ZOOM

Reading Quest (on going)







# Reading Quests

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# Reading Quests

What you need to do:

BORROW a book from the library - READ the book - COMPLETE the tasks - GET a badge





# Example of a Reading Quest



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#### Mystery and Adventure Reading Quest S/N TITLE **AUTHOR** ACTIVITY TEACHER'S SIGNATURE Make a puppet based on one of the characters in the book. Design an alternative 2 book cover. 3 Make a story cube based on the book. WORLD IN 80 DAYS Write a letter to the 4 author. **Bubbles & Clouds:** 5 Speeches by the characters in the book

## **Eight Major Genres**

- 1. Poetry 2. Fairy Tales
- 3. Folk Tales 4. Fables
- 5. Myths & Legends
- 6. Fantasy
- 7. Realism / Realistic Fiction
- 8. Science Fiction

# Term 1 Library Challenge

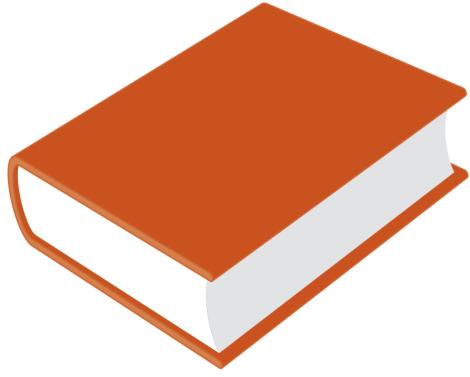
- Encourage your child to submit a
   Motivational Quote on Reading
   prepared on powerpoint slides and earn 2
   Teachers' Signature for a start on Reading
   Quest!
- Please it submit to their Form Teachers.
   Include name, class and index number.
- Be original!



# Happiness

# is the smell of a new book





# **Learning to Read**



# I've learned that watching a child learn to read is as exciting as watching him learn to walk. – Age 39

Source: H. Jackson Brown, Jr. (1998). Live and Learn and Pass It

On (Vol. III). People ages 7 to 92 share what they've discovered about life, love, and other good stuff. Tech Publications Pte Ltd.



Setting up a print-rich home environment

- Set up book corners/ library corners
- Display relevant books at appropriate corners
- Use sentence makers to create word/picture walls



## a) Paired Reading

- Parent and child read the text together
- Child may give a signal to parent at anytime when he/she is ready to read on his/her own
- Parent join in reading when the child is stuck and let go again when the child signal that he/she wants to read independently



- b) Supported Reading
- Sustained Silent Reading (SSR)
- Setting a purpose and context
- Introduce the text
- Reading and discussion of text
- Rereading



- Asking better questions based on Bloom's Taxonomy, that is, questions for
  - Remembering
  - Understanding
  - Applying
  - Analysing
  - Evaluating
  - Creating



## Remembering

- Whose is it?
- What kind of \_ is it?

## **Understanding**

Why? Which word is unfamiliar to you?

## **Applying**

 What other (things) could you use to write such a story from (the character's) point of view?



## **Analysing**

How did (the characters) feel?

## **Evaluating**

What do you think (the character) will do?

### **Creating**

What do you think makes it a good story?



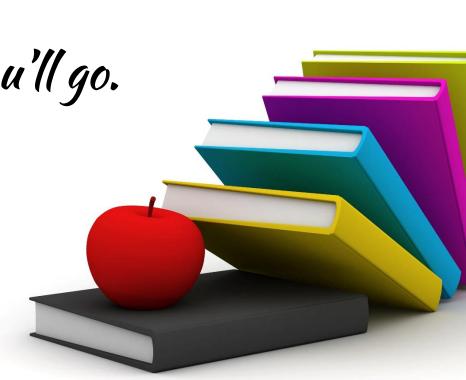
"The more you read,

the more things you know.

The more that you learn,

the more places you'll go.

~ Dr. Seuss



## Thank you parents!

Lives are in the making here,
Hearts are in the waking here,
Mighty undertaking here,
Up and On!

