

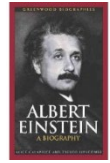
English Curriculum Area



**The English Subject Area is
extremely excited to welcome you
to Saracens High School in
September 😊**

To enable you to practise and build on the valuable set of skills you have gained from your English lessons in primary school, we would like you to complete the six tasks below over the summer holidays (one task per week).

Week One: In Year 7 at Saracens High School, the first topic you will be studying is Biographies and Autobiographies. Choose a famous person you admire and research their life. Then, complete the fact file below:



Name:

Basic information:

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Picture:

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Greatest achievements:

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Three fun facts:

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Challenge (reduce it): Can you summarise this person's entire life into 50 words below?



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Week Two: The best way to improve your English skills is to.....
read!



1) If you are not a member of Barnet Libraries (which you can access online), ask your PARENTS/CARERS to sign you up here:

<https://capitadiscovery.co.uk/barnet/join>

2) Choose a NEW fiction book to read this summer (either from ones you already have at home; an ebook from Barnet Libraries; or an ebook from the list below). Then, write down the book's:

Title:.....

Author:.....

Genre (this means category i.e. romance/adventure/science fiction):

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Now, explain why you chose to read this book:

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Links to ebooks*:

1. Matilda, by Roald Dahl
- https://archive.org/details/roalddahlmatilda_202001/mode/2up
2. Wonder, by R.J. Palacio
- https://archive.org/details/Wonder_201810/mode/2up
3. Five on a Treasure Island, by Enid Blyton
- <https://archive.org/details/BlytonEnidFamousFive1FiveOnATreasureIsland/mode/2up>
4. The Borrowers, by Mary Norton
- <https://archive.org/details/borrowers00mary>
5. The Other Side of Truth, by Beverley Naidoo
- <https://archive.org/details/othersideoftruth00naid>
6. Kensuke's Kingdom, by Michael Morpurgo
- <https://archive.org/details/kensukeskingdom00morp>
7. Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Old School), by Jeff Kinney-
https://archive.org/details/OldSchool_201801/mode/2up
8. Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, by Roald Dahl
- https://archive.org/details/charliechocolate00roal_0

Challenge ebooks*:

1. The Railway Children, by E Nesbit: <https://archive.org/details/railwaychildren00nesb/mode/2up>
2. Abomination, by Robert Swindells: <https://archive.org/details/abomination00swin/mode/2up>
3. Carrie's War, by Nina Bawden: <https://archive.org/details/carrieswar00bawd/mode/2up>
4. Once, by Morris Gleitzman: <https://archive.org/details/once00glei/mode/2up>
5. The Silver Sword, by Ian Serrailier: <https://archive.org/details/silversword00serr/mode/2up>
6. Skellig, by David Almond: <https://archive.org/details/skelligalmo00almo/mode/2up>
7. What Katy Did at School & What Katy Did Next, by Susan Coolidge: <https://archive.org/details/whatkatydidatsch00susa/mode/2up>
8. The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe, by C.S. Lewis: https://archive.org/details/isbn_0590405950/mode/2up
9. Goodnight Mister Tom, by Michelle Magorian: <https://archive.org/details/goodnightmistert00mago/mode/2up>
10. Oranges in No Man's Land, by Elizabeth Laird: <https://archive.org/details/orangesinnomansl0000lair/mode/2up>

***PLEASE NOTE: You may need to ask your PARENTS/CARERS to create an account to access some of the books above and for these books, you will only be able to borrow them for 14 days.**

ALSO....YOU WILL BE ASKED TO WRITE A REVIEW OF YOUR CHOSEN BOOK FOR WEEK FOUR SO MAKE SURE YOU START READING!

Image for Week Three task:



Week Three: Many students often get "there," "their" and "they're" confused!

They're = short for 'they are' and refers to a group of people.

Example: They're all going to the park later.

Their = shows belonging.

Example: Their shoes are scattered all over the floor.

There = refers to a place.

Example: I have never been there.

Write three long sentences describing the picture on the previous page, using each word correctly:

1) Write a sentence for "they're":

2) Write a sentence for "their":

3) Write a sentence for "there":

Challenge (create it): Can you create your own activity to help students remember the difference between 'they're,' 'their' and 'there'?



PLEASE NOTE: To really practise your English skills, you should continue to read throughout the summer. Remember, you can ask your parents/carers to sign up you to become an e-member at Barnet Libraries using the link below:
<https://capitadiscovery.co.uk/barnet/join>

This will mean you can use all of Barnet Libraries' online resources, including: ebooks, audiobooks and digital magazines.



Week Five: Below are ten words students often spell incorrectly. Practise each spelling five times, using the "look, cover, write, check" method.



magnificent:

memorable:

business:

grotesque:

ominous:

temperate:

colossal:

extraordinary:

courageous:

stealth:

Now, look up the definition of **ONE** word you are not familiar with and add the word and its definitions below:

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Challenge (extend it): Can you look up an even more powerful synonym for each word? Write this synonym next to each word.



