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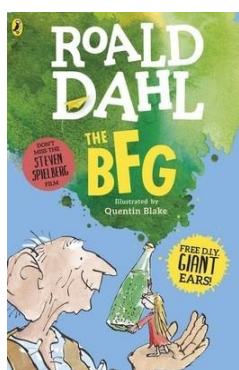
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English Writing Update – Year 2, Summer 2

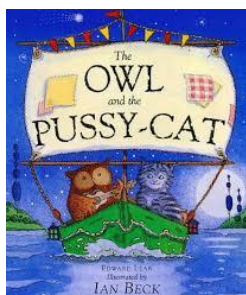
During Summer 2, Year 2 will be reading 'The BFG' by Roald Dahl and the poem 'The Owl and the Pussycat' by Edward Lear.



The BFG is a story about a little girl called Sophie that befriends a giant called the BFG who only eats snozzcumbers and glugs frobscottle. But when Sophie learns there are other giants in Giant Country: fifty-foot brutes who gallop far and wide every night to find human beans to eat, she decides she must stop them once and for all and the BFG is going to help her!

We will be using this book to:

- Bring together all the skills that we have learned in Year2.
- Use conjunctions to extend sentences, using sentence length for effect.
- Use expanded noun phrases to describe with commas in lists.
- Independently write character descriptions.



'The Owl and the Pussycat' is a nonsense poem by Edward Lear, first published during 1871 as part of his book: 'Nonsense Songs, Stories, Botany, and Alphabets.'

We will be using this poem to:

- Use techniques to explore texts written in unfamiliar ways.
- Sequence the narrative to write our own version of the story that does make sense.

Some useful links that will support the learning are below:

The Owl and the Pussycat: Explore the text:

<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems/43188/the-owl-and-the-pussycat>

Youtube link to the story:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HpwAP36-w7E>

The BFG: Explore the text:

<https://online.flipbuilder.com/fdyv/kzse/>

The animated film can be found in the below link. There is also a Disney live-action film directed by Steven Spielberg.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UebFEH3CBi8>

Please continue to practise the Year 2 spelling words with your child, along with the key words below that we will be using with the story.

The BFG vocabulary poster



Bloodbottler



Snozzcumber



Head of Army and Air Force



The Queen



Sophie



Dream Jar



The BFG

The Owl and the Pussycat



Pussycat



quince



pea green boat



money



moon



mince



five pound note



Owl



ring



guitar

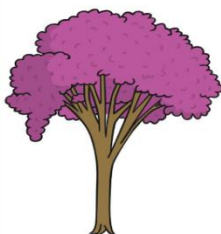
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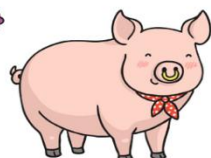
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sea



Bong-tree



Piggy-wig



Turkey



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