

Reading

W.b. 11th January 2021

Year 5 Home Learning
Wibsey Primary School

Monday 11th - Orientation

Read the 'Houdini Does It Again' text three times. Make a note about which words you are unsure about and wish to discuss further.

Then, answer the **retrieval** questions below like we would normally in class. Either complete on the Google Doc or on paper.

Orientation

What type of text is this? Give me three pieces of evidence to show this.

Who is this report about?

Where does this event take place?

What is the name of the journalist?

What is the name of the photographer?

Reasoning Challenge

Do you think Chuck Washington enjoyed reporting on this event? Explain why, using the text to help you.

Do you think Harry Houdini is still alive today?

Think of two difficult questions about the text to challenge your teachers!

Tuesday 12th - Vocabulary

Watch the video discussing the vocabulary today.

Write the meaning of the words below and use them in a sentence. Either complete on the Google Doc or on paper.

Words in the text to focus on

Spectacle

Apprentice

Escapologist

Locksmith

Feat

Foreseeable

Surveying

Dazzle

Limped

Abroad

Thunderous

Death Defying

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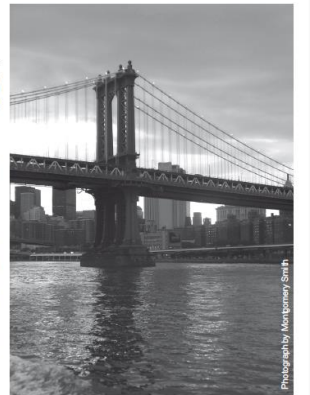
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Wednesday 13th - Inference

Find and list the clues in the text and complete the question and grids below – either on the Google Doc or on paper.

Was this Houdini's first ever escape? Find the clues.

Was the event organised or spontaneous? Find the clues.

Were the crowd happy or sad during this event? Find the clues.

Happy	Sad

Organised	Unorganised

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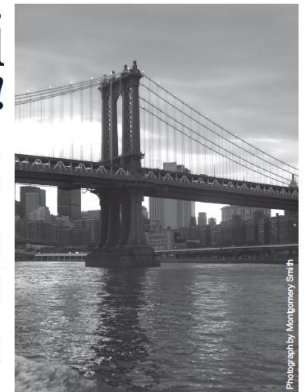
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Thursday 14th - Application

Complete the Application questions below, summarising all the skills we have learnt this week. You can complete either the Normal sheet or the Challenging sheet on the next page – but only do one like we would in class! Do this either on the Google Doc or on to paper.

Normal sheet

Application

BLP – Reasoning 3

Hard: Retrieval- I can use scanning strategies to locate key information quickly.

1. What is the name of the newspaper?
2. What is the name of the journalist?
3. Who is this report about?
4. Where did this event take place?
5. Number these facts about the story from 1-5 in the order in which they happen. The first one has been done for you.

Houdini climbed the bridge.	1
Houdini jumped into the river.	
The divers prepared to rescue him.	
Houdini looked at the river to check it was OK.	
Houdini re-appeared.	

Harder: I can comment upon the use and effect of the author's language.

1. The text says that Harry Houdini is an 'escapologist'. How does this make him different from other magicians?
2. Find and copy the phrase that shows the crowd were eager to see Houdini's trick.
3. Did time pass quickly or slowly whilst Houdini was in the water? Explain how you know.

Hardest: I can use clues from actions and descriptions to establish meaning.

1. Was this Houdini's first ever escape?
2. Did this event occur in Spring, Summer, Autumn or Winter? Tell me how you know.
3. Were the crowd excited or bored? Explain.
4. When Houdini escaped, was the crowd happy or sad? Tell me how you know with evidence.
5. Do you think Houdini is still alive today?

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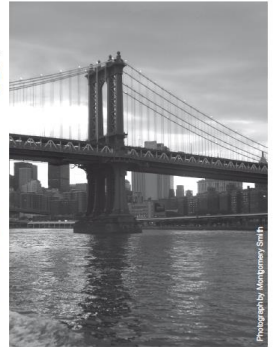
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Challenge sheet

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The crowd gathered around the Hudson River	1
The divers prepared to rescue him.	
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2. Find and copy the phrase that shows the crowd were eager to see Houdini's trick.
3. Did time pass quickly or slowly whilst Houdini was in the water? Explain how you know.
4. Find and copy the word in the final paragraph that means 'to amaze'.

Hardest: I can use clues from actions and descriptions to establish meaning.

1. Was this Houdini's first ever escape?
2. Did this event occur in Spring, Summer, Autumn or Winter? Give me two pieces of evidence.
3. Were the crowd excited or bored? Explain.
4. When Houdini escaped, was the crowd happy or sad? Tell me how you know with evidence.
5. Was this event organised? How do you know?
6. Do you think Houdini is still alive today?
7. Do you think that Chuck Washington enjoyed reporting this event?

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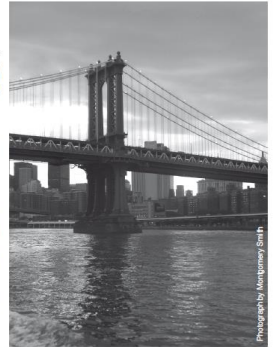
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Friday 15th – Reading for Pleasure

Go on to <https://www.getepic.com/sign-in/educator> and login using your class details given below.

Search for books within your ZPD (shown as AR level) and pick one to read for pleasure.

For your challenge task, you can write a review of the book in your exercise book if you wish.

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