

# Year 9 Reading Challenge





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- As a student of English, you are expected to continue enjoy reading throughout your school life. Across this year you will be taking part in a challenge to read a series of fiction/non-fiction texts.
- You will complete your own personal reading log to keep track of all that you have been reading throughout the year. This will be your map through your reading during Year 9.
- Your journey through reading will be mapped and checked at points throughout the year.
- You will have a final push to complete your journal over next summer!



# Where do I get a good book?

- Use your Reading Challenge booklet to help you decide which books you might like to read (this will be on the google classroom.)

## **For each keep a note of:**

- The title and author
- The plot: the story line
- Describe the main characters
- Discuss where and when the book is set
- Describe the style of the writing in the book. To do this you could select an interesting passage to read to your group
- Explain the key themes of the novel
- Discuss your personal response to the book. What you liked / didn't like and whether or not you would recommend it to your group and why.



# To do well in this assignment:

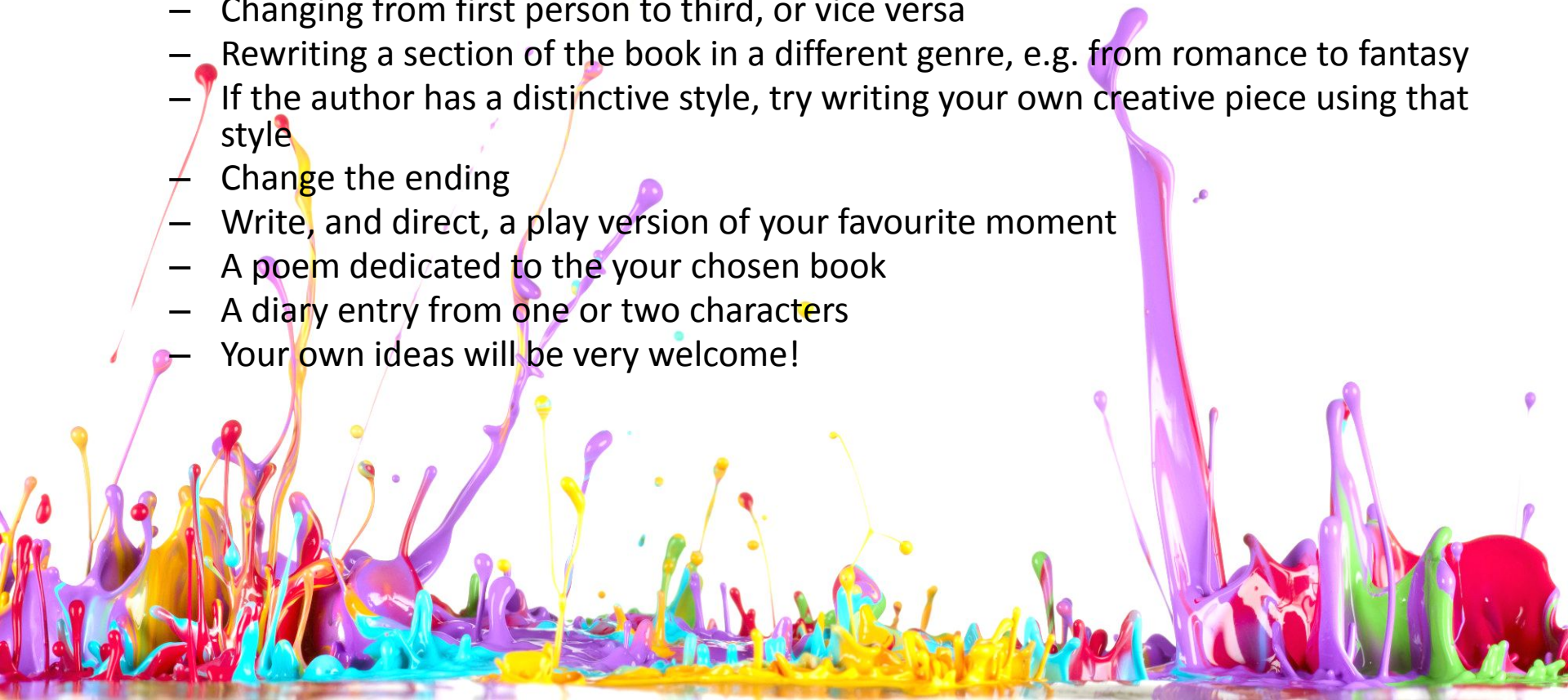
- Keep your notes in a notebook or file
- Be creative: illustrate; use graphs; collect info about the writer; write a short story/poem inspired by your book
- Extension: read a range of different genres, or vary between fiction and non-fiction books and think about how they connect or how they differ.
- Explore how the book compares with others you have read
- Make links between books by the same writer/ a series
- Compare a book with a film
- Challenge yourself
- Vary your responses across Year 9
- Above all, enjoy the experience!



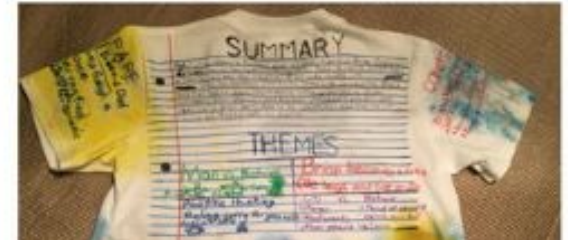


# Creativity is Key

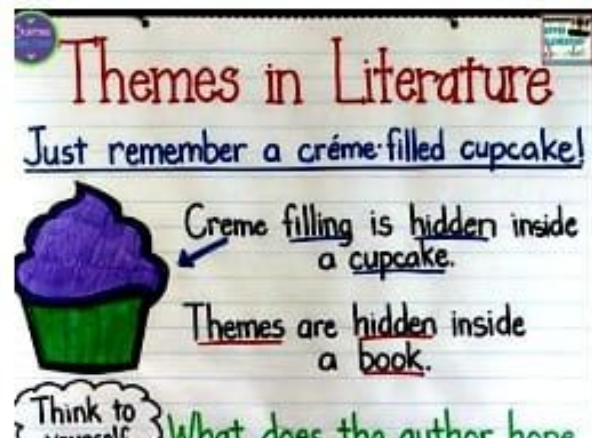
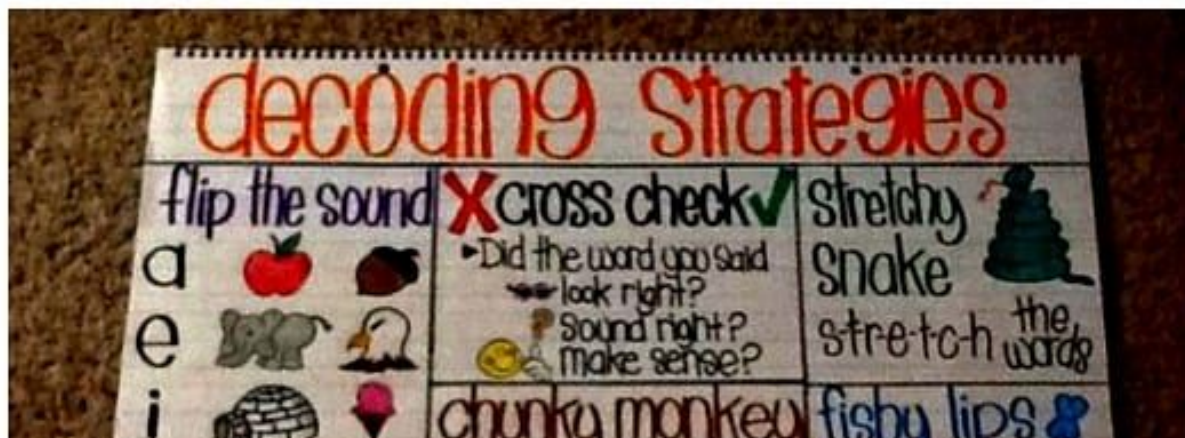
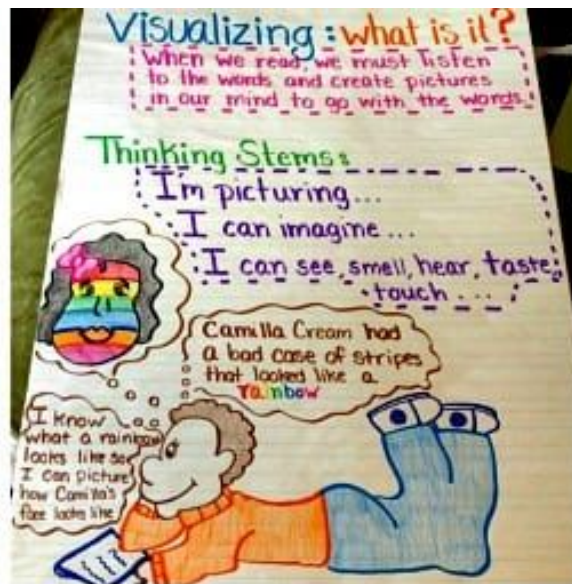
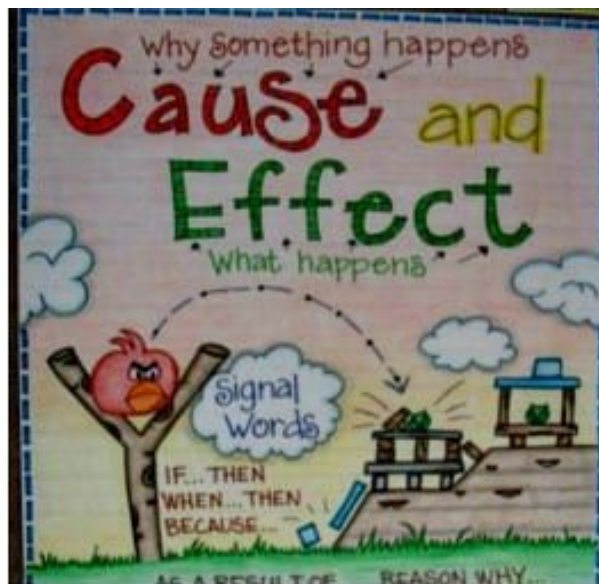
- To do well in English, it is important to think about books in a creative way. For **all** of your chosen books, you must produce some creative responses.
- Try:
  - Designing an alternative book cover
  - Changing from first person to third, or vice versa
  - Rewriting a section of the book in a different genre, e.g. from romance to fantasy
  - If the author has a distinctive style, try writing your own creative piece using that style
  - Change the ending
  - Write, and direct, a play version of your favourite moment
  - A poem dedicated to the your chosen book
  - A diary entry from one or two characters
  - Your own ideas will be very welcome!



# Creativity







**Think about a book you have read**  
**that you would recommend**

**I will be typing a list as you  
talk so that we have a class  
reading list**



