

# English and Literacy

## Home Learning Read and Respond Units

### Year 6 - Week 9



| Week Nine   |   |  |   |  |   |
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| Year 6  | Day 1   | Day 2  | Day 3   | Day 4  | Day 5   |
| <p><b>Focus theme: Explorers and Adventurers (Part Two)</b></p> <p>Find out what it takes to survive in the jungle, read a real-life jungle survival story and dive into Katherine Rundell's thrilling novel, <i>'The Explorer'</i>.</p> <p><b>When following links online, parents should monitor that children are remaining on that page only and are keeping safe online.</b></p> | <p>Explore how to survive in the jungle by watching this video and making notes: <i>How to survive in the jungle – Lonely Planet Kids</i> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9D14ldTJg4E">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9D14ldTJg4E</a></p> <p>After watching the clip, read and make notes from the book referenced below, <i>How to be a World Explorer Not for Parents (Lonely Planet Kids)</i> – looking at these particular sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- It's a Jungle Out There (pages 10-11)</li> <li>- River Monsters (Page 12)</li> <li>- How to Escape from Quicksand (page 20-21)</li> <li>- Jungle Jumbos (Page 22-23)</li> </ul> | <p>Read and make notes on the jungle survival story of Juliane Koepcke, using the extract from <i>Survivors</i> by David Long here: <a href="https://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk/book/13381/Survivors-by-David-Long.html">https://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk/book/13381/Survivors-by-David-Long.html</a> (You will need to become a member of LoveReading4Kids. Membership is free.)</p> <p><b>Note: Due to the sensitive nature of this story, it is advised that it is read and discussed with an adult.</b></p> <p>Imagine you are a news reporter who has just heard the news that a young girl – Juliane Koepcke, has survived eleven days in the jungle.</p> <p>Write an article,</p> | <p>Read and enjoy the opening (<i>Flight</i> – pages 1-4) of <i>The Explorer</i> by Katherine Rundell here: <a href="https://www.booktrust.org.uk/globalassets/resources/blogs/2017/september/the-explorer-katherine-rundell-extract.pdf">https://www.booktrust.org.uk/globalassets/resources/blogs/2017/september/the-explorer-katherine-rundell-extract.pdf</a></p> <p>Now go back to the chapter you have just read and jot down any words or phrases that interest you and words and phrases that describe the plane. You may want to explore the meaning of some words by using <a href="http://www.wordhippo.com">www.wordhippo.com</a>.</p> <p>Based on the words and phrases you have collected, write a free-verse poem (a poem without any rules) to summarise the opening chapter. You may want to alter</p> | <p>Read and enjoy Chapter Two (<i>The Green Dark</i> – pages 6 – 17) of <i>The Explorer</i> by Katherine Rundell here: <a href="https://www.booktrust.org.uk/globalassets/resources/blogs/2017/september/the-explorer-katherine-rundell-extract.pdf">https://www.booktrust.org.uk/globalassets/resources/blogs/2017/september/the-explorer-katherine-rundell-extract.pdf</a></p> <p>Based on what you have read, write a diary entry as Fred – reflecting on the day's events.</p> <p>You may wish to use the following structure for your diary entry – writing Fred's account of what happened and his thoughts and feelings for each section:</p> | <p>Based on what you have read and watched over the past two weeks, choose <b>one</b> of the two following writing outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Predict what might happen to Fred and his friends in the Amazon Jungle after Chapter Two of <i>The Explorer</i> by Katherine Rundell and write your own version of the rest of the story.</li> <li>• Invent and write your own 'survival' short story. Create your own explorer; think about what their expedition is and where your story is set – jungle, arctic etc, what challenge/challenges they face and how they overcome these.</li> </ul> |

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|   | <p>Click 'look inside' to view the book extract:<br/> <a href="https://www.amazon.co.uk/Parents-World-Explorer-Lonely-Planet/dp/174321409X">https://www.amazon.co.uk/Parents-World-Explorer-Lonely-Planet/dp/174321409X</a><br/>         (Please note that this is a commercial site. Take care not to place any unwanted orders!)</p> <p>Based on what you have watched and read, create an instruction manual /user guide titled 'How to Survive the Jungle' which could accompany someone about to undertake a jungle adventure. You may want to include sections such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• key equipment to take</li> <li>• how to wrestle a crocodile</li> <li>• how to survive an elephant attack</li> <li>• how to escape from quicksand</li> </ul> <p>Make sure your guide is easy to follow – with clear instructional</p> | <p>suitable for a children's adventure magazine, online newspaper or website, about the amazing survival story of Juliane – make sure you include information from the story so that it is factually correct.</p> <p>The opening paragraph to an article, written about Juliane, can be found here:<br/> <a href="https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2019/apr/07/from-the-archive-1972-observer-the-girl-who-came-back-alive-from-amazon">https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2019/apr/07/from-the-archive-1972-observer-the-girl-who-came-back-alive-from-amazon</a><br/> <b>(Note: this is a news page, so will contain links to current news articles).</b></p> <p>Remember to keep proof-reading your work to check for spelling and punctuation.</p> | <p>some words or phrases from the text or add your own to create your poem.</p> <p>An example opening to a poem based on this chapter could be:</p> <p><i>Man-made magic wish,<br/>         Joystick, throttle,<br/>         Vibrating,<br/>         Flying faster than the setting sun,<br/>         Following the swerve of the Amazon River,<br/>         Vast sweep of blue.</i></p> | <p>Structure:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1451 284 1733 759"> <tr> <td><b>1. The plane journey</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>2. Fred's first glimpses of the rainforest</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>3. Meeting the other survivors</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>4. The snake and finding a place to sleep</b></td> </tr> </table> <p>Remember to keep proof-reading your diary to check for spelling and punctuation.</p> | <b>1. The plane journey</b> | <b>2. Fred's first glimpses of the rainforest</b> | <b>3. Meeting the other survivors</b> | <b>4. The snake and finding a place to sleep</b> | <p>Remember to check all punctuation, spelling and grammar.</p> <p>Read/share your story with a family member in your household or via an online platform. Ask them for feedback about your story!</p> |
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|  | writing and pictures/<br>diagrams to support<br>your information. |  |  |  |  |
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### Additional activities:

- Read about three famous adventurers by exploring the *National Geographic Kids* website here:  
Captain Cook: <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/general-history/captain-cook/>  
Charles Sturt: <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/general-history/charles-sturt-2/>  
Alex Van Bibber: <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/geography/general-geography/alex-van-bibber/>
- Watch videos about five famous explorers on the BBC Teach website *KS2: Explorers* here: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/ks2-explorers/zjh8bdm>