This week you will be writing a character description of a super hero or heroine. Access the lesson by clicking on the star

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LESSON ONE

Comprehension - Fact Retrieval

Spider Man is a compassionate and intelligent superhero, but not everybody knows he is the alias of Peter Parker. After following his Uncle's advice, he decided to create his Spider Man costume to protect his identity and use his powers to fight crimes.

1) What is Spider Man's real name? (1 mark)

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Comprehension - Fact Retrieval

One of his key superpowers is his ‘spider-sense’ because it warns him of impending enemies or danger. As quick as flash, he can shoot sticky spider webs from his wrist in order to tie up criminals, swing from towering buildings, or use them as various tools.

2) List **two** things that ‘sticky spider webs’ are used for. (2 marks)

Selflessly, he chooses to use his abilities to protect the people of New York from crime and evil. One of his key superpowers is his ‘spider-sense’ because it warns him of impending enemies or danger.

3) Which of the following is one of Spider Man’s key superpowers?

Tick 1. (1 mark)

spider-sense ( ) spider-sight ( ) spider-grip ( ) spider-smell ( )

Comprehension - Fact Retrieval

However, the webbing dissolves in an hour, so he has to act quickly and efficiently. He has a gifted mind which means he is one of the smartest heroes around.

4)

Tick true or false for each statement	True	False
The webbing dissolves in half an hour.		
Spider Man has to act quickly and efficiently.		
Spider Man is one of the bravest heroes around.		

Comprehension - Fact Retrieval

He has a gifted mind which means he is one of the smartest heroes around. Spider Man's costume is a lightweight, red and blue full body suit that provides protection.

5) Which **two** things describe Spider Man's costume? Tick 2. (2 marks)

lightweight ( ) armoured ( ) red ( ) thick ( ) black ( )

Year 3 Spellings: comparatives and superlatives

Yellow	Blue	Purple
small	brighter	uglier
smaller	brightest	ugliest
smallest	quicker	prettier
large	quickest	prettiest
larger	uglier	tastier
largest	ugliest	tastiest
	prettier	quieter
	prettiest	quietest
		hungriest
bright	digital	spikiest
brightest	analogue	extraordinary
		Rhetorical

Challenging words are in the grey boxes

Comprehension - Language

Wonder Woman is a caring, competitive super heroine, but many people do not know that her real name is Diana. Daughter of the Greek God Zeus, Wonder Woman is known as the Amazing Amazon Angel. As a member of the Justice League, she defends peace and equality.

1. What does the phrase “she defends peace and equality” suggest about Wonder Woman? (1 mark)

A) She wants a world without conflict.
B) She doesn't care about others.
C) She wants to rule the world.

Comprehension - Language

She has superior strength and superhuman agility. In addition to this, she uses her incredible, invisible plane to propel like a rocket into outer space. Wonder Woman's costume is red and blue with stars on as it was inspired by the American flag.

2. Why does the author use the phrase "superior strength and superhuman agility"? (1 mark)

Comprehension - Language

Unfortunately, Wonder Woman would lose all her powers if her bracelets were ever tied together. Wonder Woman has faced a number of enemies over the years. Some of her evil enemies are Greek gods while others are those who want to hurt and destroy the environment.

3. How does the author show that Wonder Woman's bracelets are extremely important to her? (1 mark)

Comprehension - Language

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4. What does the phrase ‘a number of enemies’ suggest? (1 mark)

LESSON THREE

Wonder Woman

Wonder Woman is a compassionate, competitive super heroine, but many people do not know that her real name is Diana. Daughter of the Greek God Zeus, Wonder Woman is known as the Amazing Amazon Angel. As a member of the Justice League, she defends peace and equality. She has superior strength and superhuman agility. In addition to this, she uses her incredible, invisible plane to propel like a rocket into outer space. Wonder Woman's costume is red and blue with stars on as it was inspired by the American flag. Her powerful, golden lasso is her primary tool because it forces her enemies to tell the truth.

On her wrists, she has metal, indestructible bracelets, so she can deflect any bullets or weapons. To many people's surprise, she is trained in mastery hand-to-hand combat, yet she prefers to avoid conflict and battles. Unfortunately, Wonder Woman would lose all her powers if her bracelets were ever tied together. Wonder Woman has faced a number of enemies over the years. Some of her evil enemies are Greek gods while others are those who want to hurt and destroy the environment.

Key Features of a Text

Wonder Woman is a compassionate, competitive super heroine, but many people do not know that her real name is Diana. Daughter of the Greek God Zeus, Wonder Woman is known as the Amazing Amazon Angel. As a member of the Justice League, she defends peace and equality. She has superior strength and superhuman agility.

1) **Find and copy** an expanded noun phrase in the first sentence. (1 mark)

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Key Features of a Text

In addition to this, she uses her incredible, invisible plane to propel like a rocket into outer space. Wonder Woman's costume is red and blue with stars on as it was inspired by the American flag. Her powerful, golden lasso is her primary tool because it forces her enemies to tell the truth.

2) "In addition to this," is an example of what feature? (1 mark)

Expanded noun phrase ( ) Fronted adverbial phrase ( ) Simile ( )

3) **Find** and **copy** the simile in the passage above. (1 mark)

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4) The apostrophe in the phrase "To many people's surprise" is used to show what? (1 mark)

Contraction ( ) Possession ( ) Co-ordination ( ) Subordination ( )

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5) The word 'so' in the text above is an example of which feature? (1 mark)

Contraction ( ) Co-ordinating conjunction ( ) Subordinating conjunction ( )

Co-ordinating conjunctions:

Co-ordinating conjunctions are joining words that link together parts of a sentence.

for	**and**	**nor**
but	**or**	**yet**

They can be used to join together two clauses in a sentence. However, the clauses need to make sense on their own. For example:

It was sunny. I played outside.

It was sunny**, so** I played outside.

Most co-ordinating conjunctions have a comma before them.

Subordinating conjunctions:

A subordinating clause is a part of a sentence that adds additional information to the main clause. A subordinating conjunction is simply the word/words that are used to join a subordinating clause to another clause or sentence. For example:

I packed my umbrella **because** it was raining.

Because it was raining, I packed my umbrella.

because	**when**	**since**	**although**
until	**while**	**where as**	**after**
even though	**if**	**as soon as**	

Let's look at a character description together.

Super Mac

Super Mac is a friendly, adventurous superhero, but many people don't realise his real name is actually Mr McNamara! Following in his father's footsteps, he wears a smart, navy suit and a yellow tie. It has been passed down through generations. As an experienced member of the League of Heroic Educators, his ongoing mission is to entertain and educate children throughout the land. Everyday, he wears a red cape that helps him to fly as fast as lightning. This means he can visit classrooms across the country when there is a teacher in need. He also has the incredible ability of high-speed marking. This allows him to provide instant feedback, so children can achieve and exceed in all lessons.

Your task: answer the following questions

1. Which of these sentences uses the correct conjunction? (Choose 1)

a) Following in his father's footsteps, he wears a smart, navy suit and a yellow tie. It has been passed down through generations.

b) Following in his father's footsteps, he wears a smart, navy suit and a yellow tie because it has been passed down through generations.

c) Following in his father's footsteps, he wears a smart, navy suit and a yellow tie, so it has been passed down through generations.

d) Following in his father's footsteps, he wears a smart, navy suit and a yellow tie if it has been passed down through generations.

2. Which conjunction could be used to complete the sentence? His incredible ability of high-speed marking allows him to provide instant feedback, _____ children can achieve and exceed in all lessons.

a) but
b) nor
c) yet
d) so

3. One of his most fascinating powers is the ability to travel back in time _____ he can collect precious, historic artefacts never seen by modern humans. Which conjunction would not make sense in this sentence?

a) because
b) so
c) if
d) since

4. Match part A with part B and choose a suitable conjunction to create your new sentence.

but	so	as	and
when	until	if	because

A	B
Thousands of children have been amazed by his time travelling skills	it is important he keeps replenished.
Super Mac's energy levels drain rapidly	he continually tries to suck the positivity out of classrooms!
His most notorious nemesis is the Mighty Mood Hoover	it allows them to experience different periods of time.
He becomes grouchy and exhausted,	he does not have a constant supply of coffee.

Ideas for your own superhero character description

What is the name of your superhero and what is their mission?

What costume does your superhero wear?

Ideas for your own superhero character description

Which enemy and weakness does your superhero have?

Ideas for your own superhero character description

* SHAPE-SHIFTING
* FLIGHT
* EVOCATION
* HEALING
* CLAIRVOYANCE
* ELASTICITY
* TIME TRAVEL
* SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH
* TELEPATHY
* MIND CONTROL
* IMMORTALITY
* INVISIBILITY
* TELEPORTATION
* NIGHT VISION
* PSYCHOKINESIS
* ANIMAL ECHOLOCATION

What special powers does your superhero have and why?

My Turn - Planning

What is the name of your superhero and what is their mission?

Super Mac (AKA Mr McNamara). An experienced member of the League of Heroic Educators. His ongoing mission is to entertain and educate children.

What costume does your superhero wear?

A smart, navy suit and a yellow tie that has been passed down through generations. A red cape to fly as fast as lightning.

What special powers does your superhero have and why?

Flying - to travel to classrooms across the country.

High-speed marking - to provide feedback to children.

Time travel - to visit different periods in history and collect artefacts.

Your Turn - Planning

What is the name of your superhero and what is their mission?

What special powers does your superhero have and why?

What costume does your superhero wear?

Your Turn - Planning

What weakness does your superhero have?

Which enemy does your superhero have?

To be successful...

Feature	Example
Adjectives/expanded noun phrase	compassionate, intelligent, brave, adventurous... towering buildings, superior strength, superhuman agility, notorious nemesis, impressive skill...
Fronted adverbial phrase	On her wrists, To many people's surprise, When supplies run low, As a member of...
Adverbs	unfortunately, amazingly, quickly, efficiently, rapidly...
Apostrophe for possession	Wonder Woman's, Spider Man's, Super Mac's...
Conjunctions	Co-ordinating (and, but, yet, so, nor, for...) Subordinating (because, that, when, if, although...)
Similes	As quick as a flash, propel like a rocket, as tall as a towering building, as fast as a cheetah...
Commas in a list	...tie up criminals, swing from towering buildings, or use them as various tools. ...of coffee, tea or fresh orange juice.