

Week 2 Home Schooling - English

English: 1] Keep reading, as often as you can.

2] Have you managed to read all of the 'Beasts of Olympus' so far (chapter 1 and the beginning of chapter 2)? The work below is based on the text; the tasks are to do with prefixes, suffixes and some punctuation work.....

Prefixes and suffixes:

There are many words that can either have extra letters in front (prefix) or have extra letters at the end (suffix). The main word we call the ROOT.

Examples; Unclear - clear is root word, un-is the prefix. Singing - sing is the root word and -ing is the suffix.

When we add a prefix or suffix, it can change the meaning of the word - look at clear and unclear.

Some words might have a prefix and a suffix.

TASK 1: - look for words with PREFIXES and underline/highlight. Check the root word.

Demon disentangled himself from the misshapen pile of horns. Long shiny twisted ones snagged onto short gnarly pointed ones, none of them were very comfortable when stuck into his squashy half-mortal flesh. He admitted defeat and reconsidered his original plan; he needed to establish himself as top dog- even though he only had one head.

Carefully he stood up and after discovering that his wounds had been healed by Yukus and Offy, he devised a new strategy. Overreacting wasn't going to impress his dad, nor was it going to stop the beasts from misbehaving again. No, he knew this time he was going to have to remind those creatures exactly who the boss was around here- those disobedient devils weren't going to know what had hit them! His brain went into overdrive as it began to formulate an idea.

TASK 2: - look for words with SUFFIXES and underline/highlight. Check the root word.

The smell from the cows had begun to aggravate Demon's nose, he couldn't specify what it was exactly but he knew he needed to rectify the situation urgently. He had begun to fantasise about flowers, fruits and other fragrant delights as the deathly pong continued to terrorise his nostrils.

Demon knew he could never justify packing in his stinky job, but he spent hours trying to think of an excuse that would make the Gods terminate his position as their stable's cleaner. He decided the only option he had was to eradicate the smell and purify the air around him, then get some serious exercise trying to decorate the dilapidated old place. He would beautify the stables and customise the diets of the cows if it killed him- and at the rate he was going, it probably would.

TASK 3: - rewrite the section below, turning the words into proper sentences and putting in the correct punctuation. It is from the text of the 'Beasts of Olympus' but it needs changing even if you can't find the original; the lines are meant to be short BUT you can extend and develop the sentences to give more description - use the highlighted words below to help.

but because although

when if and so

whilst before after

sadly bravely slowly

walking to the edge of the mountain

trying not to sniff the rancid air

following his father

it was too painful

everything was overwhelming

he didn't want to

the boy strode over the grass

the stables stank of death and dung

sharp claws scratched the boy's skin

time was ticking away

a dark, smelly barn came into view

the man demanded that he followed

he did what he was told

he had no choice

he tried his best

he failed

he cried

he disobeyed his father

there was nothing else to do

his mind was made up

reluctantly, he climbed the hill