

Year 3

English Pack 2

Summer Home Learning

Weekly Spellings

The spelling focus this week is adding suffixes beginning with vowels (-ing, -en, -er, -ed) to words of more than one syllable.

Spellings	Cover and write	Cover and write
forgetting		
forgotten		
beginning		
beginner		
preferring		
preferred		

English Lesson 1 – Reading Comprehension

Comprehension - Word Meaning

Green Goblin is a grotesque, greedy super villain, but many people do not realise that his true identity is Norman Osborn.

1) Tick the word that is a synonym for **greedy**. (1 mark)

grotesque () caring () gluttonous () generous ()

2) What does the word **rapid** mean in the text?

Tick the correct definition. (1 mark)

Definition	Tick 1
Happening at a slow rate without speed.	
Happening in a short time or at great speed.	
Moving at a normal pace.	

His whole body is **covered** in a skintight, scaly suit that is as green as an emerald.

3) Which word could replace **covered** in the sentence above?

Tick one. (1 mark)

revealed () protected () heightened () erased ()

Usually, the Green Goblin flies around standing on his Goblin Glider, which looks like a large, metallic bat. He is the arch enemy of Spider Man and pursues Spider Man like a tiger hunting his prey.

4) Which word could the writer have used to replace **enemy**?

(1 mark)

nemesis () friend () hero () partner ()

English Lesson 2 – Reading Comprehension

Comprehension - Compare

Green Goblin is a grotesque, greedy super villain, but many people do not realise that his true identity is Norman Osborn. To many people's surprise, Norman is the father of Peter Parker's best friend Harry. He possesses a rapid healing factor and superhuman strength because of the Goblin Formula he created.

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. Find a similarity between Green Goblin and Spider Man. (1 mark)
- A) They are similar in age.
 - B) They both took advice from their uncle.
 - C) They both have hidden identities.

He is the arch enemy of Spider Man and pursues Spider Man like a tiger hunting his prey. He is as cunning as a fox and has cleverly developed a gas, so Spider Man's 'spider sense' can be slowed down. Green Goblin is a cowardly bully and his behaviour is due to jealousy.

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. Selflessly, he chooses to use his abilities to protect the people of New York from crime and evil.

2. Find a difference between Green Goblin and Spider Man. (1 mark)
- A) Green Goblin is weak, but Spider Man is strong.
 - B) Spider Man uses his powers for good, but Green Goblin uses them for evil.
 - C) Spider Man is weak, but Green Goblin is strong.

The face of the suit is a vile, evil goblin. It has pointy ears, piercing eyes and a large, nasty grin. Usually, the Green Goblin flies around standing on his Goblin Glider, which looks like a large, metallic bat.

Spider Man's costume is a lightweight, red and blue full body suit that provides protection. To many people's surprise, Spider Man does not have a specific weakness, but if he is given Ethyl Chloride pesticide it could dull his reflexes, speed and spider-sense.

3. Compare the appearance of the two characters. Are they similar or different? (2 marks)

English Lesson 3 – Identifying Features

Ares is a selfish, sinister super villain and the most fearsome son of Zeus. He is Wonder Woman's number one rival even though he is her half-brother. As an enemy of the Justice League, he has an unquenchable thirst for conflict. It is not a surprise that he is unpopular and disliked by many because of his bad temper. He is incredibly skilled in all forms of combat and fighting as he is the God of War.

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

He is incredibly skilled in all forms of combat and fighting as he is the God of War. Ares has numerous powerful, destructible weapons including a war hammer that spits fire out like a dragon. He is notably stronger than Wonder Woman, but she is known to be faster. His whole body is covered in a steel-plated suit that is as black as the night's sky.

- 2) **Find and copy** one simile in the passage above. (1 mark)

In addition to this, he wears a helmet with horns that are as sharp as knives. One of his main aims is to try and prevent Wonder Woman's mission of peace and equality. As the God of War, he is extremely blood-thirsty and violent and therefore is willing to wipe out anybody who stands in the way of his lethal plans. To many people's surprise, Ares' greatest weakness is his arrogance and overconfidence. This is his downfall as Wonder Woman is able to use her emotions of love and compassion to overpower and defeat him.

- 3) 'As the God of War,' is an example of which feature? (1 mark)

Simile () Co-ordinating conjunction () Fronted adverbial phrase ()

- 4) The word 'extremely' in the text above is an example of which feature? (1 mark)

Adverb () Co-ordinating conjunction () Subordinating conjunction ()

- 5) The apostrophes in this extract are used to show what? (1 mark)

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

English Lesson 4 – Similes

Answer the following questions:

1. Which of these similes are the most appropriate to describe a villain? (Choose 2)

- a) He is as cunning as a fox.
- b) He wears a helmet with horns as sharp as cotton wool.
- c) She has a grin like an evil clown.
- d) She is as strong as a mouse.

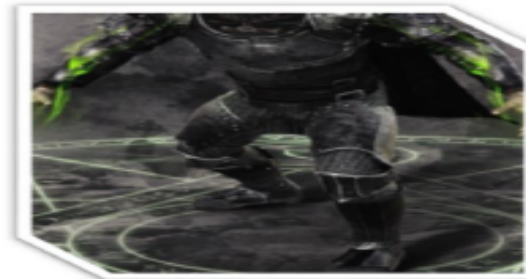


2. Look at the picture above. What could you compare the spikes on their costume to?
'The spikes on his costume are as sharp as _____.'

- a) spoons
- b) pillows
- c) thorns
- d) feathers

3. Look at the picture above. What could you compare the colour of their costume to?
'His full body suit is dark like _____.'

- a) the night's sky.
- b) the shining sun.
- c) a clear sky.
- d) a colourful rainbow.



English Lesson 4 – Similes Continued

Have a go at creating appropriate similes, using “like” or “as”. Use the example to help you.

Simile	
Sparks shoot from her wrist	Sparks shoot from her wrist like fireworks. Sparks shoot as fast as fireworks from her wrists.
His voice is loud	
He is tall	
She is strong	

English Lesson 5 – Write a Character Description

Key Features of a Character Description

- Adjectives/expanded noun phrases
- Fronted adverbial phrases
- Adverbs
- Apostrophe for possession
- Conjunctions
 - Co-ordinating (and, but, yet, so...)
 - Subordinating (because, that, when)
- Similes
- Commas in a list

English Lesson 5 – Planning a Character Description

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

What costume does your villain wear?
What do they look like?



What special powers does your villain have and why?

Which weakness does your villain have?

Which superhero does your villain try to defeat?



Now it's time to put all of your ideas into a paragraph to write a character description based on the villain you have created!

Remember to include the features of a character description, especially similes.

To be successful...

Feature	Example
Adjectives/expanded noun phrase	selfish, sinister, unpopular, powerful, destructible... cowardly bully, grotesque, greedy super villain, skintight, scaly suit, extremely blood-thirsty...
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	Mighty Mood Hoover'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, as weak as a kitten, as long as a python, as sharp as knives...
Commas in a list	...skintight, scaly and green suit. ...of dust, crumbs or hairballs.