

PiRA KS3 Standardised Tests Curriculum Maps

Year 7: Autumn		
Fiction/ Non-fiction	Text Type	Terms
Fiction	Narrative fiction – 20 th century	evidence, description, simile, metaphor, personification, rhyme, phrase, explanation, statement, quotation, character, story, setting, atmosphere, event
Non-fiction	Information	statement, evidence, meaning, sequence, explanation, purpose, text, quotation, information, formal language, subheading, verbs, nouns, adverbs, pronouns

Year 7: Spring		
Fiction/ Non-fiction	Text Type	Terms
Non-fiction	Autobiography	quotation, phrase, paragraph, summary, structure, explanation, opinion, dialogue, references to the text, purpose, text, statement, evidence
Fiction	Narrative fiction – 19 th century	purpose, quotations, non-standard English, contractions, beginning of the text, end of the text, supporting quotations, story, references to the text, events, setting, characters, summary, description, evidence

Year 7: Summer		
Fiction/ Non-fiction	Text Type	Terms
Fiction	Narrative fiction – 19 th century	quotation, paragraph, rule of three, metaphor, repetition, simile, technique, character, description, events, dialogue, first person narration, flashback, twist in the tale, third person narration, cliff-hanger, statement, folk story, legend, fiction, tension, atmosphere
Non-fiction	News website article	newspaper, magazine, leaflet, facts, information, ideas, comparison, quotation, article, adverb, statement, quotation, explanation, technical terms, summary, background, title

Year 8: Autumn		
Fiction/ Non-fiction	Text Type	Terms
Non-fiction	Magazine article	rhyme, alliteration, metaphor, onomatopoeia, idiom, quotation, fact, statement, present tense, exclamations, commands, abbreviations, passive sentences, instructions, purpose, definition, information, explanation, colloquial, informal
Fiction	Narrative fiction – 20 th century	setting, mood, story, phrase, techniques, supporting quotation, sentence structure, mythical, character, narrative viewpoints, explanation, statement, beginning of the extract, end of the extract

Year 8: Spring		
Fiction/ Non-fiction	Text Type	Terms
Fiction	Narrative fiction – 21 st century	the reader's interest, explanation, extract, quotations, story, events, building tension, statement, narrative, dialogue, first-person narration, setting, sub-plot, viewpoints
Non-fiction	Travel article	quotations, explanation, phrase, paragraphs, contrast, purpose, description, persuasion, adjectives, past tense, commands, rule of three, rhetorical questions, direct address, alliteration

Year 8: Summer		
Fiction/ Non-fiction	Text Type	Terms
Fiction	Narrative fiction – early 19 th century	description, explanation, references to text, statement, sentence structure, quotation, horror stories, fiction, past tense, perspective, atmosphere, heroine, character
Non-fiction	Autobiography	description, phrase, simple sentence, simile, writer’s viewpoint, adverbs, clauses, semi-colon, abstract nouns, effective ending, information, account, explanation, quotation

Year 9: Autumn		
Fiction/ Non-fiction	Text Type	Terms
Fiction	Narrative fiction – 20 th century	quotations, phrase, explanation, adverb, effect, dialogue, description, statements, perspective, use of language
Non-fiction	Website information text	simile, paragraph, evidence, personification, alliteration, onomatopoeia, paradox, effect, eyewitness account, subjective, objective, presentation of characters, events

Year 9: Spring		
Fiction/ Non-fiction	Text Type	Terms
Non-fiction	Newspaper articles	paragraph, statement, description, dramatic impact, explanation, supporting quotation, metaphors, statistical information, structure, subjective, objective
Fiction	Narrative fiction – early 20 th century	facts, evidence, simile, metaphor, description, phrase, writer’s use of language, direct speech, statement, purpose, explanation, supporting quotation

Year 9: Summer		
Fiction/ Non-fiction	Text Type	Terms
Fiction	Narrative fiction – 19 th century	onomatopoeia, effect, phrase, alliteration, rhyme, personification, simile, oxymoron, sentence structure, narrative, supporting quotation, nouns, adjectives, conjunctions, prepositions, purpose, events, evidence, building tension
Non-fiction	Magazine article	purpose, persuasion, information, advice, tone, adjectives, statement, evidence, paradox, metaphor, onomatopoeia, simile, hyperbole, structure, summary, article

Text types in the Tests

Fiction texts

Extracts are from prose fiction texts (novels or short stories), including from the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries.

Non-fiction texts

Y7 texts are from information, autobiography and news website texts.

Y8 texts are from a magazine article, travel writing and autobiography.

Y9 texts are from a website information text, newspaper articles and a magazine article.

Subject terminology in the tests

The tests are not designed to test knowledge and understanding of all the terms students might possibly encounter during Years 7, 8 and 9. The terms in particular test questions are used to communicate with precision and economy. The terms used in the tests arise from the setting of items about specific aspects of the Reading texts; the terms are not assessed discretely.