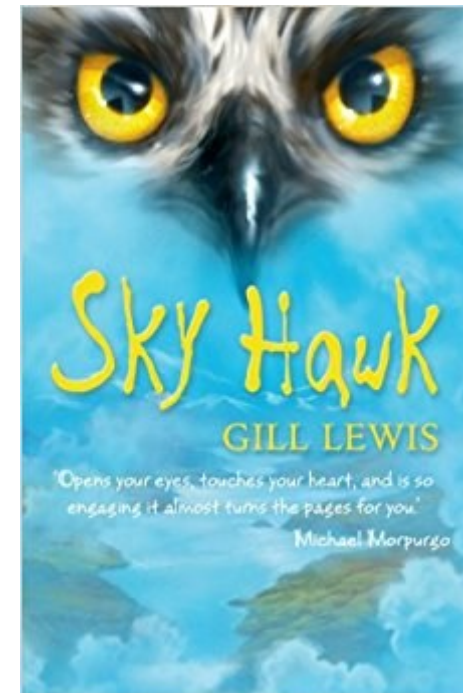


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Sky Hawk by Gill Lewis

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We hope that you enjoy reading Sky Hawk as much as we did. The novel was written by Gill Lewis, a former vet, who has a passion for animal welfare. Therefore, the story has animals right at its centre but it also presents extraordinary friendship between Callum and Iona .


This booklet will guide you through some activities to do with the novel that you may complete with your Year 6 teacher or at home. Please look after your copy of the book and get involved with the competitions that we've enclosed.

Remember, you will need to bring your copy of Sky Hawk to your English lesson in September so please don't lose it.

Have a wonderful summer break and happy reading!

Research

Use the internet or books from the library to research the following places and animals that are all linked to the novel. Create three separate mind maps to organize your research.



Gambia

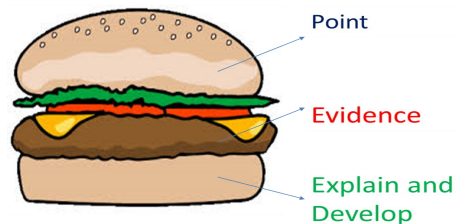
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Practice 'Point Evidence Explain' Answer:

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Scotland



Ospreys

Character

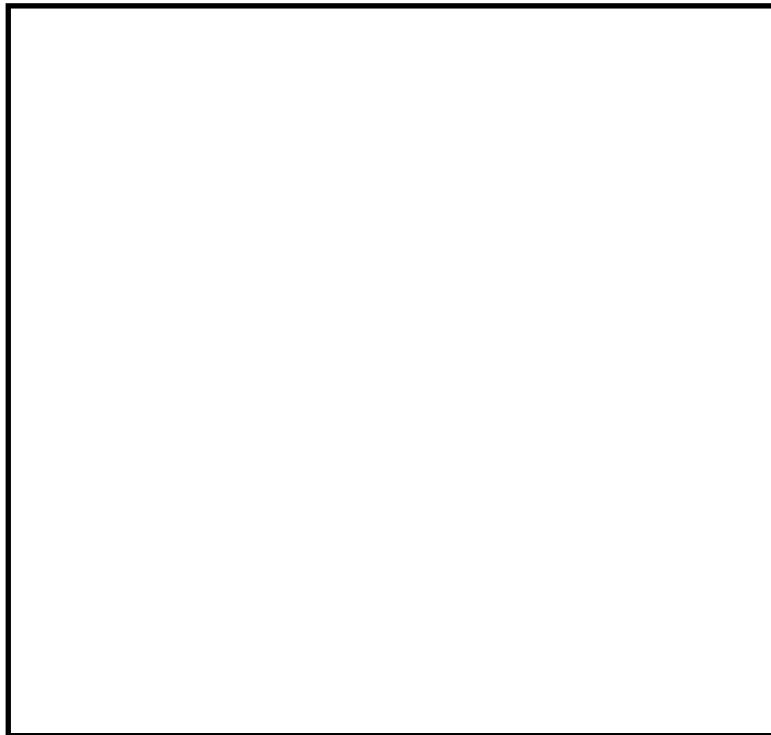
Draw a picture of each character from the novel in the spaces provided and label them with key characteristics that you have noticed. **Think about the following questions to help:**

- What type of friend are they?
- What's their personality like?
- What role do they play in the novel?

Challenge: Can you add evidence from the text to support your points?



Callum



Model Point Evidence Explain Answer:

Have you highlighted like this?

Callum is presented as being worried in the extract. "Rob and Euan were staring at me. I turned back to Iona. "Where is she"? The use of the verb "staring" shows that Callum feels torn between his friendship with Iona and his friendship with the boys, as he knows that the boys do not like Iona. However, he questions Iona when he says "where is she?" showing that he is more anxious about Iris than he is about upsetting the boys. We can see that he is worried for the safety of Iris.



Point

Our short point is in blue.

Evidence

The evidence taken from the novel extract is in red.
We then focus on language devices in the orange.

Explain and Develop

Then we go on to explain what the evidence shows in more detail in green. Here we have made inferences about Callum's feelings from the evidence.

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Highlight the model answer in different colours using a key: Give a colour for each different part of the answer:



Point



Evidence from the text



Focus on a language device



Explanation of what the evidence shows and the effect.

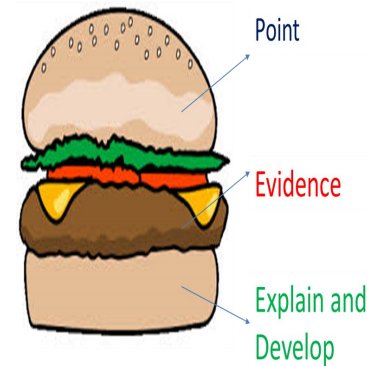


Iona

Hamish

Point, Evidence, Explain

When you are at high school you will use a strategy called Point Evidence Explain (PEE) to answer questions about different texts.



Make a short point which answers the question.

Select evidence from the text which supports your point.

Explain what the evidence shows, whilst discussing language devices and how the audience are made to feel.

Point Phrases

- The writer uses...
- Through studying the text we gain the idea that...
- The character is portrayed as...
- The writer presents the character as...
- The atmosphere created in ...the text is...
- Throughout the extract, the character is presented as...

Writer's Craft Phrases

- The use of the...
- Through using a...
- The writer has chosen to use a ___ because...
- The effect of the...

Language Devices

Simile Alliteration
Verb Metaphor
Personification

Explain and Develop Phrases.

- The evidence suggests...
- The quotation implies...
- This displays that...
- Furthermore, this could also show...
- This could also suggest...

Can you find evidence which proves Callum feels the particular emotions mentioned below? When you have found the evidence write it in the bubbles.



Jeneba

Narrative Voices

In the novel there are three different narrative voices (points of view that are written from). These are Callum's perspective, Jeneba's emails and Iris the Osprey's diary. Look at the extracts below and discuss how they are different.

It would be useful to add notes to each extract that comments on the following things:

- ⇒ The mood or atmosphere they create;
- ⇒ The impression they give you of the character;
- ⇒ How they help to tell the story.

Iris the Osprey's diary

**15th August
16.10 GMT
Nest Site,
Highland Scotland**

Iris flew up, through the broken sunlight into the cold clear air. She circled the nest one last time. Her mate was preening his feathers, oiling them after the heavy rains. She banked away from the eyrie they had built from sticks and grasses, and away from the insistent calls of the full-grown chick they had reared that summer.

The pull south was too great now. The need to fly was strong. It pulsed inside, hard-wired deep into every nerve and muscle and cell. Each day, the sun did not rise so high. Each day its arc across the sky lowered and towards the pale blue curve of the southern horizon.

Iris soared on the updraught of the cold north wind. It rippled under her feathers and carried her up, through the drifting threads of cloud. This was her world, of vast skies and reflected waters. She flew high into the fast-winds, leaving behind the ancient landscape of mountain peaks, glittering lochs, and wide river valleys.

In this extract Callum is told that Iris the Osprey is in danger. Iona asks him to go and help rescue Iris but he is with his friends who don't like Iona.

⇒ Can you identify Callum's true feelings from looking at clues in the extract?

<u>Evidence</u>	<u>How Callum is feeling?</u>
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Challenge: How do you think Rob's friends would have felt at this point in the book?

Making Inferences about Character's Feelings

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Can you spot these language devices in the extracts about Callum? Highlight the extract when you find them.

- ◇ Adjectives
- ◇ Verbs
- ◇ Adverbs
- ◇ Personification



Callum's diary

Chapter 23

We followed Iris's journey every day. It took her three days to reach the south of Spain. She stayed near a reservoir there for nearly a week before heading off across the Straits of Gibraltar. I rang Hamish to say she had left for Africa. Hamish told me he'd been to Gibraltar before and seen loads of different migrating birds waiting for the right conditions to cross the stretch of water. He said it was like an airport lounge for different birds, squabbling for space until the right wind direction or clear skies carried them over the sea.

Narrative

Jeneba's Email

From: Jeneba Kah
Sent: 9th October 21.00 GMT

Subject: Looking for Iris

Hello Callum,
 No news, I'm sorry.

My father and brother went fishing today and have been looking for Iris. I wish I could have gone with them, but I cannot. An American student doctor called Max went with them. He uses his GPS to try and find her. Max said they went to the place where Iris's last signal came from, but she wasn't there.

The kulanjango are very important to the fisherman. My father says he will visit the marabout. He is our village wise man. The marabout is blind, but he sees things other people cannot see. Maybe he can help find Iris.
 My father did not catch any fish today.

I hope to bring you good news tomorrow.

Jeneba.

How does the writer present the character of Iona to the reader?

- ⇒ Use evidence from the extract
- ⇒ Discuss language devices used

Point	Evidence	Explanation
The writer presents Iona as a physically weak character in the novel.	"a pale skinny girl lying on a flat rock"	The adjectives "pale" and "skinny" suggest that Iona isn't in the best possible health and is possibly undernourished. This could be because she is poor
Iona is presented as a desperate character at the beginning of the novel		The personification shows us that Iona is desperate to get the fish from the river. She doesn't care about her physical appearance and getting her hair wet.
Iona is presented as feeling a little awkward and nervous around Callum at the start of the novel.		

Complete the blank boxes. You will have to find the evidence from the extract for some of the points. For some you will have to explain what the evidence shows about Iona. Try to mention language devices like the modelled example shows you. For your last challenge try and do your own PEE in the boxes.

Character Analysis:

I saw her first, a pale skinny girl lying on a flat rock below the rapids. She was leaning out over the edge, reaching down into a deep pool of still water. Swirls of river foam clung to the bottom of her rolled-up sleeves and the floating ends of her long red hair. She was watching something in the dark-river shadows...

...I turned to go back to my bike, and jumped. Iona stood right in front of me. She had an oversize jumper on, jogging bottoms and a woolly hat that came down over her ears. But her feet were still bare and she shivered with cold.

"I've got your coat and trainers", I said. I shoved them back in her hands. "Put them on and go home. It'll be dark soon." I looked around but couldn't see where she'd get her dry clothes from.

Iona put her coat on, sat down on a rock and pushed her feet into her trainers. Her hands were shaking and her fingers were blue. She fumbled uselessly with the laces.

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Write an email of reply to Jeneba as Callum.

What would you say?
What emotions would you feel?

Send



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Empathy

Write a diary entry as Iona when she realises that she's very ill. Think about her thoughts and feelings, especially focused on Callum, Iris and her Grandad.

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