



# Writing

This week we are starting our new class novel *Hubert Horatio – How to Train your Parents*. I'm sure we will have fun finding out about the characters and their lives'.

You have a copy of the text to use at home and there will be videos for you to watch on our YouTube channel as well as information in this pack to instruct and help you with the tasks.

## Day 1

Read the preface on page 9.

Hubert and his family live in a mansion called *Sweeping Acres*.

An acre is an old unit used to measure an area of land.

What does 'mansion' mean and what does *Sweeping Acres* suggest?

Using the photos of the inside and outside of grand houses, create a mind map with all of your ideas and then write a descriptive paragraph explaining what life at *Sweeping Acres* could be like in 'care-free' times.

## Day 2

Vocabulary

Read the information about concrete and abstract nouns and complete the activities.

## Day 3

Writing fluency – Using the image of the abandoned mill write a descriptive paragraph.

Do your work the same way we do in class.

- List everything you can see in the picture
- Group your ideas together
- Write sentences for each idea
- Organise your sentences into a paragraph that flows and makes sense.
- Edit and improve your writing

## Day 4

Phonics – match the sentence to the picture.

## Day 5

Spelling – Complete your spelling activity carefully, and see if you can use some of the word you have practiced in a sentence.

## Concrete and abstract nouns

**Concrete nouns** are **physical things** that you can either see, touch, taste, hear or smell.

In other words, they can be experienced through the five senses.

For example: sweets, television, cardboard, sunshine, candle, piano.

**Abstract nouns** are things that don't have a physical form, you can't touch them, but are still **things**.

Abstract nouns might be concepts, ideas, or emotions.

For example: knowledge, intelligence, friendship, kindness, betrayal.

Sort these nouns into the correct columns.

Concrete nouns

Abstract nouns



cow

rose

happiness

curiosity

Reluctance

excitement

opinion

thought

chair

king

grass

sunset

smile

greed

sheep

1) Write a list of concrete nouns, but only places or containers.

For example: Cathedral, rucksack, zoo, school, cave, box, suitcase etc

2) Write a list of concrete nouns.

For example: belief, strength, love, cowardice, reluctance, sorrow etc

Now mix the two lists together to create new places and containers.

The cathedral of strength

The zoo of sorrow

The suitcase of belief

