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	<p><b>Reading:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offer original and insightful interpretations of language, character and events.</li> <li>• Select precise quotations to support ideas and express an opinion.</li> <li>• Compare the meaning and structure of several texts.</li> <li>• Make assured comments and give insight into how Myths reveal aspects of Greek life.</li> </ul> <p><b>Writing:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confidently adapt my writing style to suit any task</li> <li>• Create a distinctive and original narrative voice.</li> <li>• Use a wide range of ambitious vocabulary with imagination and precision.</li> <li>• Use a range of sentences and advanced connectives accurately and to create specific effects.</li> <li>• Consistently control grammar, spelling and punctuation.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Reading:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) What qualities make a perfect Gothic monster and who is a better example - Dracula or Frankenstein?</li> <li>2) Women in Gothic texts are rarely interesting characters - they spend the whole time screaming? To what extent do you agree. Explain your view using evidence from the stories.</li> <li>3) What do Gothic texts tell us about the time that they were written. For example - what do Dracula, Jekyll &amp; Hyde or Sherlock Holmes tell us about the late Victorians?</li> <li>4) Choose 3-4 quotations from the texts that you think best summarise the themes of the Gothic genre.</li> </ol> <p>1) Read <i>My Swordhand is Singing</i>. Compare and Contrast the presentation of Gothic Settings and the vampire protagonist in the story with those in <i>Dracula</i>.</p> <p><b>Writing:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2) Choose a gothic character or creature and re-imagine them in the modern world. Using 3-4 paragraphs, describe a modern child's encounter with them. You might describe:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Encountering vampires in the school cafeteria.</li> <li>2) Zombies slowly shuffling across London Bridge.</li> <li>3) An encounter with a strange fortune teller in a smoky funfair freak show.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
	<p><b>Reading:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confidently probe implicit meanings and offer original interpretation(s) of character and events.</li> <li>• Clearly explain how a myth is structured in an <u>unexpected</u> way.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apply your knowledge of symbolism to explain symbols in the text and their implicit meanings.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Evaluate more / less significant moments in a story and explain your reasons.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Reading:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Choose the ending of one Story and write 2-3 PQE paragraphs explaining how it effectively <b>reveals the implicit meaning</b> of the text.</li> <li>2) 'Often, fear is the main antagonist' Evaluate this statement using examples from 3-4 Gothic stories.</li> </ol> <p><b>Writing:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Choose 1 of the Key Gothic ideas used to describe Gothic <u>protagonists</u> or <u>settings</u> - turn the idea into a noun (e.g. Obscurity) and write a 3 verse poem <b>listing</b> images or similes that explore the idea.</li> <li>2) Write the descriptions - using complex sentences and tier 2 vocabulary to add detail - for 5-10 Gothic Top Trump Cards. Each</li> </ol>







**Writing:**

- Use a wide range of stylistic devices to achieve intended effects
  - Establish and sustain a distinctive 'voice'
  - Consistently use ambitious vocabulary which is well matched to purpose
- Use a range of sentences and connectives accurately and to create specific effects.
- Confidently control grammar, spelling and punctuation.

description should include an invented quote from the character / monster and a summary of their motivations / actions.



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	<p><b>Reading:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successfully and confidently analyse a character's actions / motivations.</li> <li>• Compare the structure of 2 or more different myths.</li> <li>• Identify implicit meanings in Myths.</li> <li>• Offer my own, original interpretations of these meanings.</li> </ul> <p><b>Writing:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin to use imaginative details and devices in my writing and develop an individual 'voice'.</li> <li>• Use ambitious vocabulary accurately.</li> <li>• Confidently use a range of connectives, openers and sentence structures.</li> <li>• Use a range of punctuation accurately including semi-colons.</li> <li>• Write efficiently.</li> <li>• Organise texts effectively.</li> </ul>	<p>1) Read 2-3 Gothic stories. Compare and Contrast...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-The protagonists</li> <li>-The main symbols</li> <li>-The endings</li> <li>-The implicit meanings</li> </ul> <p><b>Writing:</b></p> <p>1) Apply your knowledge of story structure to plan &amp; develop your own Gothic Story entitled - "The Cursed Locket" or "The Well of Revenge" or "The Monster's Tears". Write it in the third person.</p> <p>2) Imagine you are a character in Mythical Greece writing a letter to another character. <i>Use the second person</i> to tell them what you think of them. E.g. Medusa writing to Helen of Troy: "You think you're so gorgeous, everyone loves you. Chasing golden apples to win your heart. They did that for me once. I was beautiful too..."</p>
	<p><b>Reading:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successfully analyse a character's motivations or actions using simple PQE</li> <li>• Comment on and explain how characters fulfil certain archetypes.</li> <li>• Use quotations to show how a story develops.</li> </ul> <p><b>Writing:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Convincingly adapt my style of writing to suit the purpose of the task.</li> <li>• Use a range of tier 2 words accurately</li> </ul>	<p><b>Reading:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Find 1-3 quotations which reveals _____ motivation(s).</li> <li>2) <b>Apply</b> key words to analyse the thoughts and feelings of the narrator of <i>The Black Cat</i> or <i>The Tell Tale Heart</i> - support with evidence.</li> <li>3) Apply a 5 part story-board to illustrate the 5 parts of a gothic story: Equilibrium, Complication, Development, Crisis &amp; Climax and Resolution.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Add a quotation that <i>best summarises</i> the meaning of each section.</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p><b>Writing:</b></p> <p>1) Imagine you have checked into an <i>isolated, uncanny</i> and <i>nightmarish hotel</i>. Things seem <i>mostly</i> normal during the day. As the sun goes down things begin to get <i>gradually</i> terrifying.</p> <p>Write a 5 paragraph first person narrative exploring the <b>setting</b> and <i>your emotions</i> as you walk through the halls at sunset.</p>





- Use a wide range of sentence lengths, including subordinate clauses, accurately.
- Punctuate speech accurately.
  - Most of my spelling and punctuation is accurate

- Reading:**
- Gather evidence from the text to support ideas.
  - Make some obvious points about the structure of the text (beginning, middle, end).
  - Identify simple meanings from the text (plot types).
- Writing:**
- Write in role as a character showing empathy with them.
  - Write using some mythic language.
  - Write using more tier-2 words.
  - Develop ideas in more detail.
  - Tenses are generally secure.
  - Most simple spellings and basic punctuation is accurate.

- Reading:**
- 1) Accurately **paraphrase** the opening 1-3 paragraphs of "The Black Cat". Then **summarise** the whole story in 10-15 sentences.
  - 2) Can you find evidence to support these points? - You can use any Gothic Tale.

Point	Examples
_____ is the hero of the story.	
_____ is the villain of the story.	
_____ has a problem that needs to be solved.	

- 2) Storyboard the beginning, middle and end of the Monkey's Paw.
  - 4) Using your knowledge of Gothic Settings - apply 3-4 key terms (e.g. *obscure*) to describe a gothic setting.
- Writing:**
1. You are Igor Finklestein - writing a holiday brochure for *Hotel Transylvania*. Use your knowledge of Gothic settings to persuade famous monsters to visit your hotel. **They will only stay in Gothic settings.** You should invent a room for a vampire, a werewolf, the mummy, a family of zombies.

- Reading:**
- Read and understand the key events of a text.
- Writing:**
- Write in simple sentences to describing mythical characters and settings.

- Reading:**
1. **Summarise** the Title, Setting, Protagonist and Antagonists of "The Tell-Tale Heart".
- Writing:**
2. Use familiar words and simple sentences to describe:
    - A terrifying setting: A haunted mansion, a misty graveyard, a cold tomb.



Key Words:

# Gothic Settings

## Secluded

-A lonely or isolated place away from life.  
**Seclusion, Secretively**

## Macabre

-Associated (Connected) with death or the dead (e.g. skeletons / graves)  
**The Macabre**

## Horrific

-Actual physical threat to your body. Evidence of physical harm (e.g. corpses).  
**Horror, Horrifically**

## Terrifying

-A suggested threat to your imagination or soul. Makes you feel uncomfortable or panicked. **Terror, Terrifyingly**

## On a threshold (doorway) between 2 worlds

-Gothic settings also mark a doorway between 2 worlds. E.g. a grave-yard is a threshold between life and death.

## Claustrophobic

-Shut off. Can make people feel enclosed or imprisoned.  
**Claustrophobia, Claustrophobically**

## Obscure

-Dark & gloomy. Not everything can be seen.  
**Obscurity, Obscurely**

## Uncivilised

-The raw power of the wild has taken over. Often, Nature rules.  
**Wilderness, Wildly**

## Uncanny

-A normal or familiar environment (like a child's bedroom) – but with a weird twist.  
**The Uncanny, Uncannily**

## Haunted

-Dead spirits may be nearby or may *possess* the place.  
**The Supernatural, Hauntingly**

## Decayed or Damaged

A crumbling or ancient place. Diseased or associated with death.  
**Decay**

## Other-worldly

-Connected to another world like nature, the past, sleep or death.

## Forbidden

-The setting may be off-limits. The place may be tempting to outsiders.



## Nightmarish

Gothic Settings are also weird and odd. They might take familiar objects and make them strange – like in a dream.  
**Nightmare, Nightmarishly**



