

Writing -Term 5 Week 2 - The environment

Animation – **The Windmill Farmer** (Literacy Shed)

Key Learning Focus – **expanded noun phrases**



Writing task – Write an informal letter

Description - Write a letter to the neighbouring farmer explaining what has happened to your farm during the storm. As you know the farmer personally, the tone of this letter will be informal as if you were talking to a friend. You may want to describe the experience and see if they have sustained the same damage as you.

Informal writing style:

- Use chatty/friendly language similar to a spoken conversation, which may include slang.
- Simple, short sentences are acceptable and sometimes essential to make a point.
- Contractions and abbreviations can be used wherever possible (for example, I'm, doesn't, couldn't or TV, photos etc)
- Empathy and emotion can be shown towards the reader including thoughts and feelings.

Contraction	Full form
I'm	I am
you're	you are
couldn't	could not
didn't	did not
they're	they are
wasn't	was not
weren't	were not

Letter structure:

Hello Neighbour,

- paragraph 1 – ask how your neighbour is and explain why you are writing.
- paragraph 2 – describe what happened during the storm and give details of the experience.
- paragraph 3 – ask for some guidance on what you could do next. Do you need to work together to repair the damage?

See you soon,

Windy

Model –

Hello Neighbour,

How are you doing? Really hope you're well after that terrible storm the other night. I've had a complete nightmare! That storm has completely ripped through my fields and I'm in need of some desperate help.