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Resource Links

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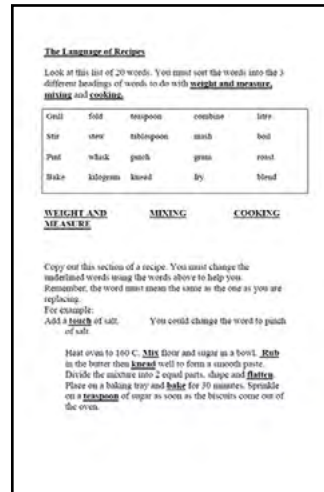
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Instruction texts – the language of recipes



Activities encouraging the use of different imperatives in recipes.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Entry Level 1, Entry Level 2 and Entry Level 3

Cost: Free

Format: PDF

http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/english/pdfs/PC_recipe.pdf

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Homophones



Worksheet to complete the sentence with the correct homophone.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Entry Level 1, Entry Level 2 and Entry Level 3

Cost: Free but login required

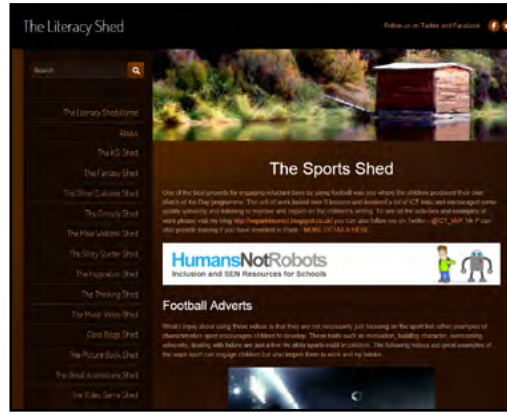
Format: Website link to PDF

<http://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t2-e-216-homophones-worksheet>

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Writing activities to encourage boys



An innovative website which offers different approaches to improving literacy. This example suggests different kinds of writing and speaking and listening based around sport.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Entry Level 1, Entry Level 2 and Entry Level 3

Cost: Free

Format: Website with video link

<http://www.literacyshed.com/the-sports-shed.html>

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Cash machines



Reading and speaking and listening activities based around cash machines; also explores vocabulary, such as ATM etc.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Entry Level 1, Entry Level 2 and Entry Level 3

Cost: Free

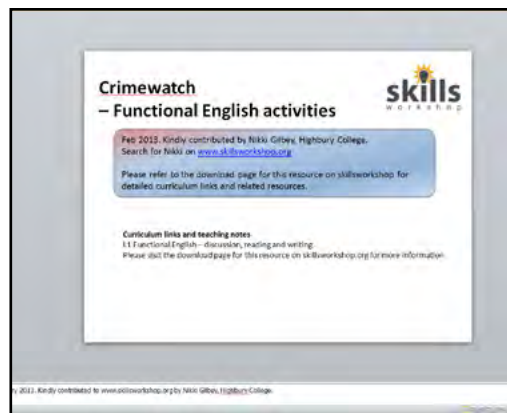
Format: Website

<http://www.skillsworkshop.org/resources/cash-machine-functional-english-tasks>

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Crimewatch activities



Speaking, listening and communication, reading and writing activities based around Crimewatch videos.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Entry Level 1 and Entry Level 2

Cost: Free

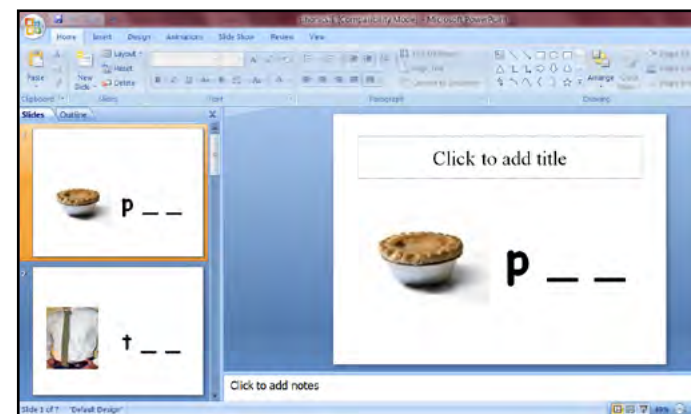
Format: PowerPoint and PDF

<http://www.skillsworkshop.org/resources/l1-crimewatch-functional-english-lesson>

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'ie' patterns in spellings



Fill in the blanks based on pictures.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Entry Level 1

Cost: Free but login required

Format: PowerPoint

<http://www.tes.co.uk/teaching-resource/Phonics-ie-powerpoint-3006259/>

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Dictionary and thesaurus skills

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Using guide words

Guide words in a dictionary

Which words belong on these pages of the dictionary?

A. Match the guide words to the word you should find on the same page.

1	grate to grill	street
2	prove to punch	structure
3	straight to stretch	smuggle

Various activities for practising alphabet and reference skills.

Arranging a party



Bank of speaking, listening, reading and writing activities on the subject of arranging a party.

Supports:

Functional Skills Maths
Entry Level 1, Entry Level 2 and Entry Level 3

Cost:

Free but login required

Format:

PDF

<http://www.teachit.co.uk/ks3skills?CurrMenu=13&T=419>

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Supports:

Functional Skills English
Entry Level 3

Cost:

Free

Format:

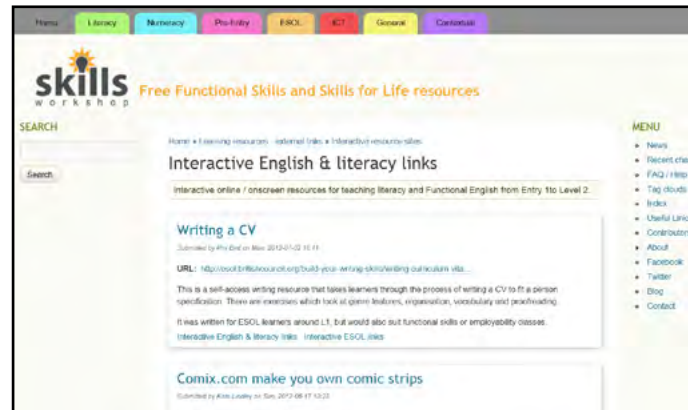
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<https://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/81742-teacher-resource-activity-bank-entry-level.zip>

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Writing a CV



Sample CV and person specification.

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Level 1

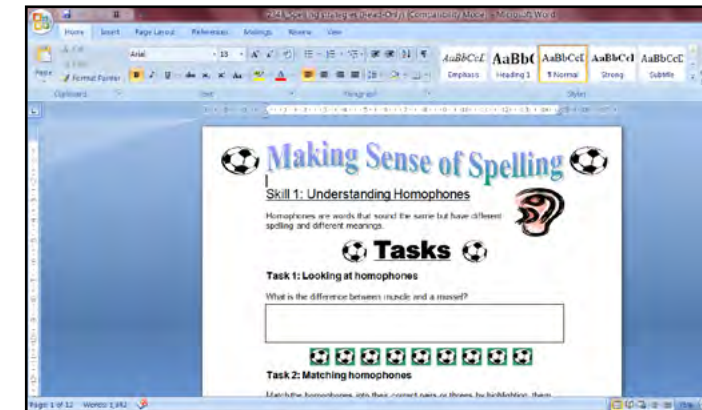
Cost: Free

Format: Website and PDF
<http://www.skillsworkshop.org/category/link-types/learning-resources-external-links/interactive-resource-sites/interactive-english>

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Spelling strategies



A number of different strategies for writing a CV explored, with tasks and activities.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 1

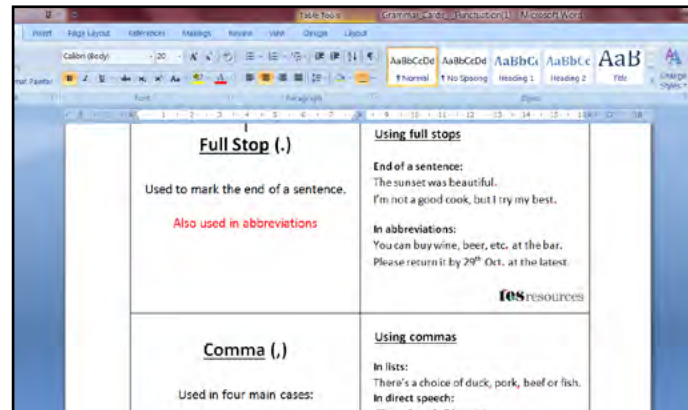
Cost: Free but login required

Format: PDF
http://www.talent.ac.uk/dsearch_details.asp?DocumentID=2348

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Punctuation flashcards



Can be used for display, reference, matching and games.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 1

Cost: Free but login required

Format: Word

<http://www.tes.co.uk/ResourceDetail.aspx?storyCode=6298582>

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Skillswise



Aimed at adults, a number of resources are available based around the subject of literacy in the BBC drama 'Secrets and Words'.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Entry Level 1–3, Level 1 and Level 2

Cost: Free

Format: Links and PDFs
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/tutors/using-skillswise-as-a-tutor/secrets-and-words-tutors-guide>

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UK city breaks reading for information



Online quiz based on reading travel options.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Entry Level 2–3 and Level 1

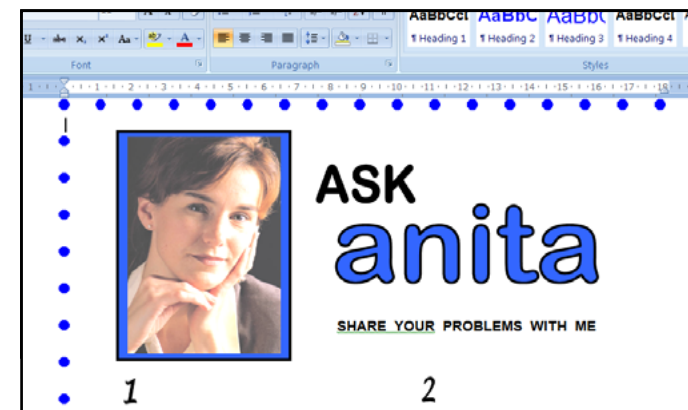
Cost: Free

Format: Website
<http://www.esolcourses.com/content/reading/travel-and-tourism/city-breaks-reading-quiz.html>

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Problem page activities



Reading, writing and speaking and listening activities with role-playing cards.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Entry Level 3 and Level 1

Cost: Free but login required

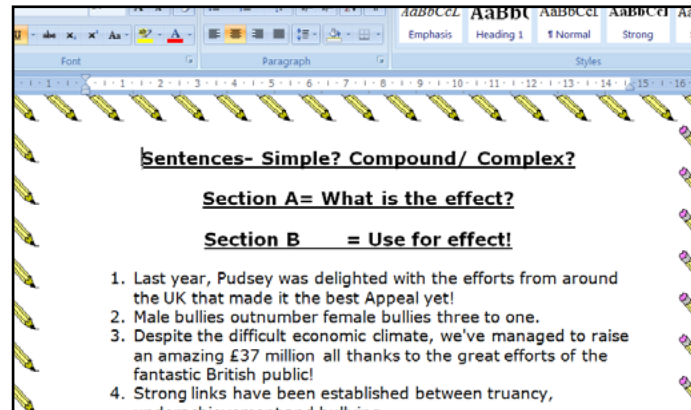
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Sentences revision



Sentences revision.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 1

Cost: Free but login required

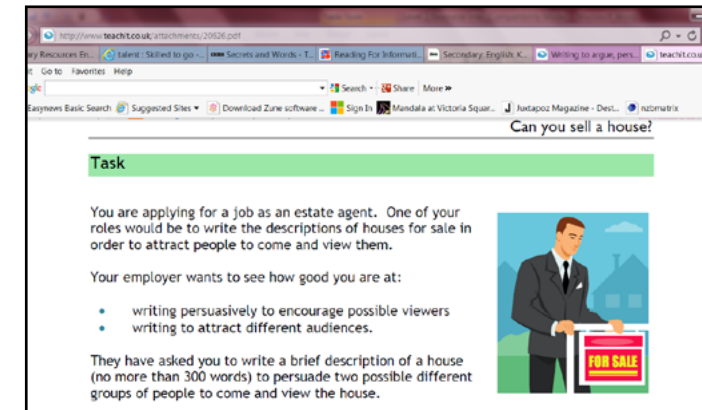
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<http://www.tes.co.uk/taxonomysearchresults.aspx?parametrics=46651,47434,47517&mode=browse>

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Writing to persuade



Writing activity on selling a house, focusing on vocabulary, audience and purpose.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 1

Cost: Free but login required

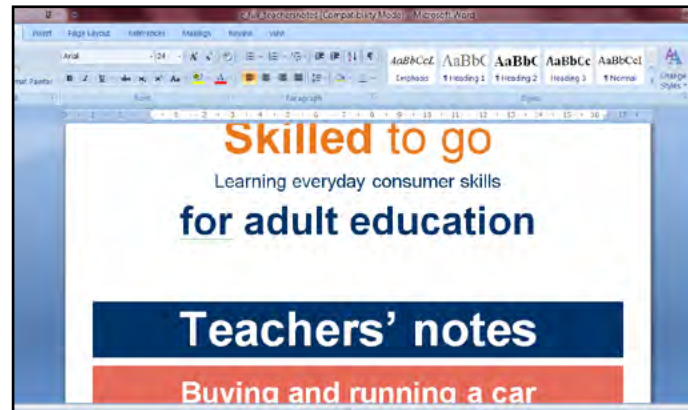
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<http://www.teachit.co.uk/attachments/20626.pdf>

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Buying and selling a car



Various activities based upon reading and discussion, produced by the Citizen's Advice Bureau.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 1 and Level 2

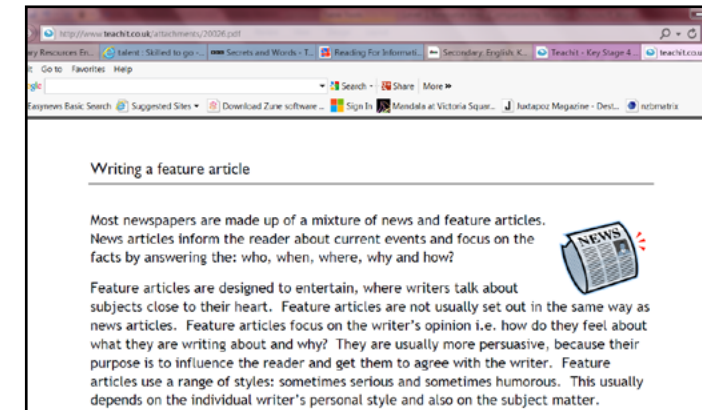
Cost: Free but login required

Format: Word
http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/index/professionals/education/education_resources/education_resources_e/ed_consumer_support_materials_e.htm

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Writing a feature article



Explores conventions of feature articles and guidance on writing.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 2

Cost: Free but login required

Format: PDF

<http://www.teachit.co.uk/attachments/20026.pdf>

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Apostrophe for omission and possession



Animated powerpoint revising the use of the apostrophe.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 1 and Level 2

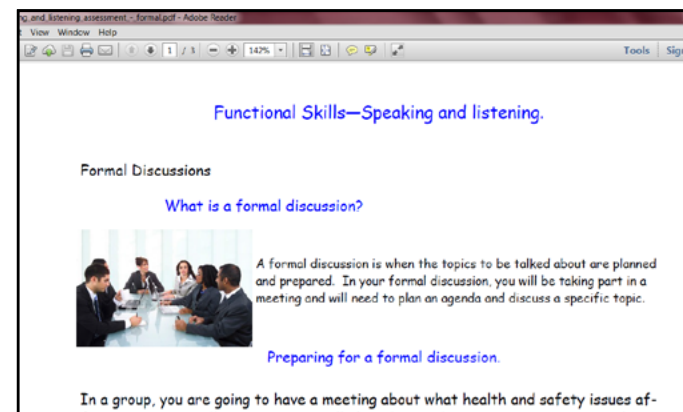
Cost: Free

Format: Website
<http://www.curriculumbits.com/prodimages/details/english/amazing-apostrophes.html>

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Speaking, listening and communication



Activities for formal situations.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 1 and Level 2

Cost: Free but login required

Format: PDF
<http://www.tes.co.uk/teaching-resource/Speaking-and-Listening-Functional-Skills-6034904/>

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Using formal language test



Short, online, multiple choice cloze, focusing on using formal language.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 1 and Level 2

Cost: Free

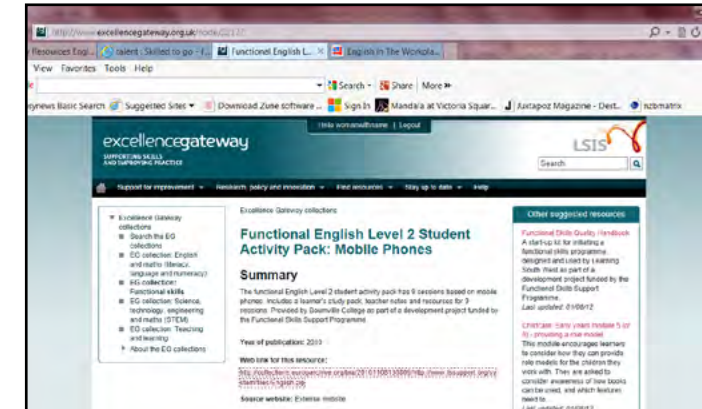
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<http://www.esolcourses.com/content/englishforwork/quizzes/a/1/quiz1.html>

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Mobile phones



A number of reading, writing and speaking and listening activities based on the subject of mobile phones.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 2

Cost: Free but login required

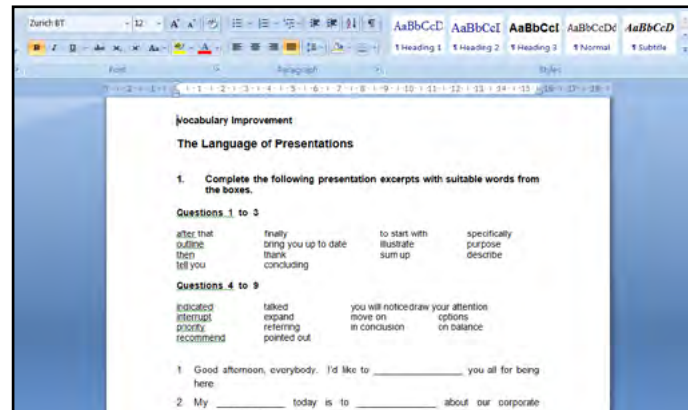
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<https://www.excellencegateway.org.uk/search?content=mobile+phones>

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Business language



Cloze activity, using business language to increase formal vocabulary.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 2

Cost: Free but login required

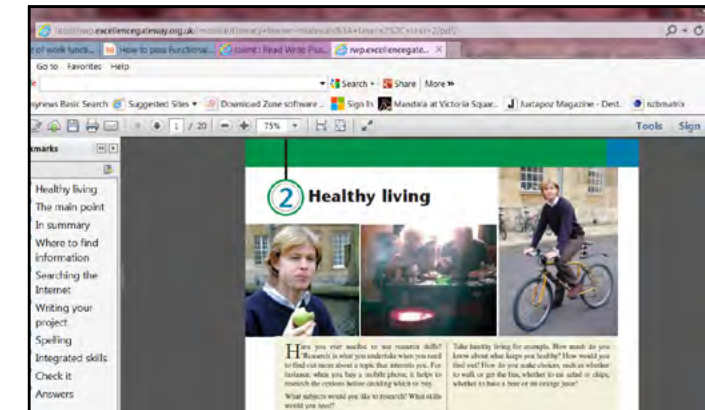
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<http://busyteacher.org/13096-presentation.html>

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Healthy living



Pack focusing on reading, summarising, discussion and writing on the subject of healthy living.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 2

Cost: Free but login required

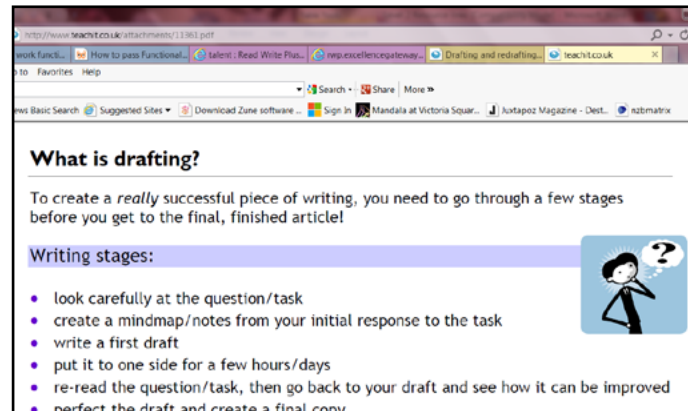
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<http://rwp.excellencegateway.org.uk/resource/Literacy+learner+materials%3A+Level+2%2C+Unit+2/pdf/>

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Drafting writing



Worksheet highlighting the key features of drafting.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 2

Cost: Free but login required

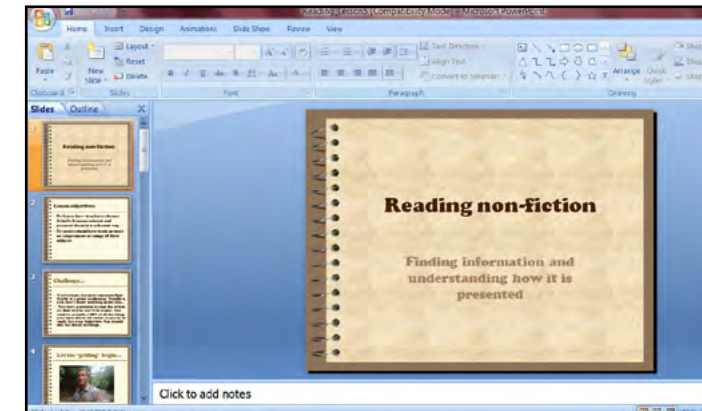
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Finding information



Based on two articles, this has a powerpoint and worksheet to explore how meaning is conveyed.

Supports: Functional Skills English
Level 2

Cost: Free but login required

Format: PowerPoint and Word

<http://www.tes.co.uk/ResourceDetail.aspx?storyCode=6006869>

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