

Y8 Voice of Struggle – Knowledge Organiser

What is the purpose of this topic?

I will explore a range of poetry related to 'struggle' each week. As well as developing my reading skills and inference, I will develop my ability to empathise with those who experience grief, hardship, prejudice and adversity. I will also be given the opportunity to explore a personal response to each of the themes through narrative/poetry writing.

Questions to ask yourself:

- What struggles have we been through as a society?
- Who might struggle in our society?
- Why is it important to help people through times of struggle?
- Why is it important to empathise with others?

English Subject Terminology

1	Simile	A way of describing something by comparing it to something else, usually by using the words 'like' or 'as'.
2	Personification	Describing something non-human as having living qualities. "The wind howled".
3	Stanza	A group of lines within a poem.
4	Sensory language	Description that links readers to the 5 senses (touch, sight, smell, taste, sound).
5	Extended Metaphor	An extended metaphor is a metaphor that unfolds across multiple lines or even paragraphs of a text.
6	Phonetic spelling	The way a person pronounces the words of a language.
7	Caesura	A pause in a line of poetry.
8	Structure	The order and arrangement of ideas in a text.
9	Repetition	Repeating an image or idea in writing to create a stand-out pattern.
10	Explicit	Stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt.
11	Implicit	Suggested though not directly expressed.
12	Juxtaposition	Two things being seen or placed close together with contrasting effect.
13	Paradox	A statement that contradicts itself.
14	Free-verse	Free verse is a type of poetry that is free from the limitations of regular meter or rhythm, and does not rhyme with fixed forms.

BIG IDEAS

1	Community	A sense of belonging somewhere and feeling part of a group.
2	Inclusion	To make or consider something as part of a group.
3	Prejudice	An unfavourable opinion or dislike formed without examining the facts fairly.
4	Empathy	To be able to understand and share in the feelings of another person.
5	Representation	The description of someone in a particular way.
6	Tolerance	Willing to accept other people's behaviour and opinions even if you do not agree with them.
7	Alienation	The feeling that you have no connection with the people around you or that you are not part of a group.
8	Perspective	A person's particular opinion or view about something.
9	Trauma	An emotional response to a traumatic event.
10	Identity	The fact of being who a person is, made up of (background, culture, family)
11	Repression	The act of using force to control someone or something.
12	Stereotype	A common idea of someone that is often over-simplified and fixed.
13	Pride	Dignity or self-respect and a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction when you have done something well.
14	Inner- conflict	A struggle within a person's mind over a problem or question.

