

## Contents: Mac-7 Series (Vol 1 & 2)

<b>Mac 7 Series Volume 1 (2013)</b>	
<b>Unit 1</b>	<b>Getting started</b> Read <i>In the Withaak's Shade</i> and evaluate key features of a short story. Explore characterisation. Introduce the writing process.
<b>Unit 2</b>	<b>Time to fly</b> Summarise <i>The story of Daedalus and Icarus</i> . Re-tell events as a cartoon strip. Look at nouns and proper nouns. Discover the use of punctuation marks in an extract from <i>Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone</i>
<b>Unit 3</b>	<b>The magic of poetry</b> Examine the structure and key features of a poem: figures of speech, imagery, rhythm and rhyme. Write a 'simile' poem, a haiku, limerick or rhyming couplet. Discover idioms and proverbs related to birds.
<b>Unit 4</b>	<b>Focus on fanatics</b> Prepare a role play. Learn how to present an argument in a debate. Examine key features of a blurb and write and design your own. Learn how to use a dictionary and thesaurus.
<b>Unit 5</b>	<b>Wild cats</b> Explore key features of literature text <i>How the leopard got his spots</i> including figurative meaning and rhetorical devices. Write a 'Just So' story for assessment
<b>Unit 6</b>	<b>Cats and dogs</b> Present an unprepared oral. Read an excerpt from <i>A Cat's Diary</i> . Write a diary entry. Explore poems: <i>The Tom-Cat</i> and <i>An Introduction to Dog</i> . Discover verbs.
<b>Unit 7</b>	<b>Family matters</b> Investigate bullying. Conduct a survey and write a report. Write a personal letter to a family member and a portrait poem about someone special.
<b>Unit 8</b>	<b>Being an entrepreneur</b> Includes word attack skills on cyber bullying: dictionary work, synonyms, antonyms homophones, suffixes, prefixes. Write a dialogue, recipe and advert.
<b>Unit 9</b>	<b>Time for Testing</b> Reading aloud. Prepared oral. Reading comprehension and language in context. Poetry in Motion. Writing exam.
<b>Unit 10</b>	<b>Islands</b> Key features of literature text: <i>The Island of the Blue Dolphins</i> by Scott O' Dell. Includes creative writing ideas to start the holidays – a map, message in a bottle, diary entry and an advert.

<b>Mac 7 Series Volume 2 (2014)</b>	
<b>Unit 1</b>	<b>Where stories come from</b> Listen to a traditional Zulu story. Learn about sentences. Study punctuation marks and write a story based on personal experience.
<b>Unit 2</b>	<b>Sea and surf</b> Listen to a poem <i>The Sea</i> by James Reeves and test knowledge of parts of speech, figures of speech and sound devices. Read an extract from <i>Soul Surfer</i> for meaning and understanding. Practise editing skills.
<b>Unit 3</b>	<b>In the news today</b> Prepare an oral for assessment. Evaluate key features of a newspaper article and write a newspaper report for school. Read and examine the poem <i>I keep six honest serving men ...</i> by Rudyard Kipling.
<b>Unit 4</b>	<b>Elephants</b> View a documentary. Compare creative vs functional writing. Explore key features of a dictionary entry. Read the poem <i>Elephants</i> by Louis Macneice and have some fun with cinquains.
<b>Unit 5</b>	<b>Music to me</b> Speak, listen and write with songs. Write a song review. Practise word skills: silent letters and word ladders. Write a descriptive essay for assessment.
<b>Unit 6</b>	<b>Place among the stones</b> Cover key features of youth novel and group research project on the Boer war. Dramatise characters in the novel. Write a Letter from the Editor.
<b>Unit 7</b>	<b>Comic relief</b> Explore emotions. Discuss comics and cartoons in groups then write a discursive paragraph. Visual literacy project on 'How we read comics'.
<b>Unit 8</b>	<b>On the ball</b> Design a sports programme. Respond to questions based on a series log. Write a fax. Have fun writing a shape poem. Learn about direct and indirect speech.
<b>Unit 9</b>	<b>Testing time again</b> Reading aloud. Reading comprehension and language in context. Poetry feature. Writing exam.
<b>Unit 10</b>	<b>School's out for summer</b> Reading round up of books of the year. Group presentation for end of year celebration. Testing topics writing tasks. Finish with a Christmas-themed comprehension <i>Reading between the lines</i> .

