

Guided Reading



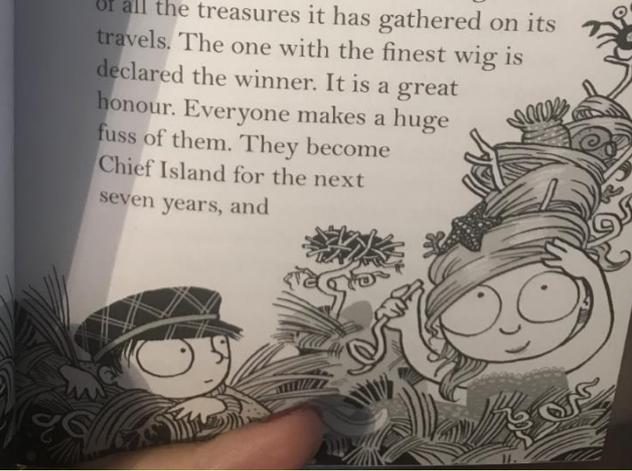
Oliver and the Seawigs By Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre

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'What's a Seawig?' he asked.

'Haven't you heard?' said Iris. 'Every seven years the Rambling Isles all gather together at the Hallowed Shallows to show off their treasures.

They love to collect things, you see; all the bits of flotsam that the sea washes up on their heads. They're very proud of their collections. On the Night of the Seawigs, each of them wears a wig made of all the treasures it has gathered on its travels. The one with the finest wig is declared the winner. It is a great honour. Everyone makes a huge fuss of them. They become Chief Island for the next seven years, and



they get to order the other islands about if they want to, and choose all the best bits of wig for themselves.'

'I bet Thrumcap wins this time,' said the island. 'Or Dimsey. They always have the best seawigs. Of course, *they* have crinkly, complicated coastlines. All sorts of interesting things get stuck on *them*. Most of what washes up on my shores washes straight off again. Look at me! All I have to show for my wanderings are a few bits of old rope and a stupid bird's nest.'

Oliver tried to think of something encouraging he could say that would cheer up the poor island, but it was true: its wig was a mess. Its summit was mostly bald rock, with those tussocks of grassy hair sprouting here and there, and rather a lot of albatross poo, now that Oliver came to look critically at it. 'Who are you talking to?' asked Mr Culpeper, stalking importantly down

the beach. 'And whose nest is he calling stupid?'

'I don't even know whether I can be bothered making the journey,' the island went on, in its deep and mournful voice. 'You can't imagine the wonderful seawigs which will be on display at the Hallowed Shallows. And there I'll be, with my bit of rope and my bird's nest. The others will all laugh at me. Perhaps I'll just give it a miss this time.'

'No!' said Oliver. He hung over the beach edge again. 'You must go! Or at least tell me how to get there, so I can find Mum and Dad!'

'Oh, it's not a place you could get to,' said Iris airily. 'Not on your own.' She hung upside down beside him with her wet hair dangling. 'The Hallowed Shallows aren't that sort of place at all. They are the place where all the old things of the sea went to live once people in your world stopped believing



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in them. Actually they are where I live too, only I came out to find that optician, and I couldn't, and now I can't find my way home either.' She blinked short-sightedly. Oliver thought he saw tears beginning to gather in her eyes.

He fetched the oily length of nylon rope he'd noticed on the tideline yesterday. He tied one end firmly round a rock, then lowered himself down in front of the island's face.

'Did you hear that?' he said.

'We both need to go to the Hallowed Shallows. Please say you'll take us there.'

'Oh, I don't know . . .' said the island, glumly.

Oliver frowned, swaying in front of those huge eyes like a hypnotist's watch. 'Look, do you have a name?'

1. What do you think the island's name will be?
2. On page 41, the island seems to think that other islands will laugh at him if he goes to the Hallowed Shallows. Why is this?
3. Why do you think Oliver is so determined to go to the Hallowed Shallows?
4. *'She blinked short-sightedly. Oliver thought he could see tears beginning to gather in her eyes.'* How does this tell you how Iris might be feeling? How do you know?





SPaG in 3

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Quickly *sadly* *rush* *cheerfully*

2. What type of word is underlined here?

Mary didn't know what to do next..

3. Show me how to us this - ?

SPaG in 3 - answers



1. What is the odd one out? *It is a verb*
The other words are adverbs.

Quickly *sadly* *rush* *cheerfully*

2. What type of word is underlined here? *It is a contracted word – did not becomes didn't.*

Mary didn't know what to do next..

3. Show me how to us this - ?

Examples include:

How are you?

“Shall we play outside?” said Timothy.

Friday 22nd May



LI. To write and edit a diary entry.

Year 3 we know how important **proof reading** is. Can you spot the mistakes here?

1. I ca'nt believe that I was'n't allowed to go outside!
2. My friend (called joe) came over to play.
3. How was I suppposed to know that?
4. Calmly, I went back to played on the bike.

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Did you get it right?

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Dear diary,



I **can't** wait to tell you about the BEST day ever! It started just like any other boring day but then something incredible happened...

Slumped on the squidgy sofa, I was just watching a film on my **brother's** iPad and then suddenly room began to spin! **I felt like I was swirling and twirling like the middle of a tornado**. I tried to grab the corner of sofa that was **next** to me but it was too late! I was plunged into a dark, mysterious and magical world. **Where exactly was I?**

As my eyes adjusted to the eerie darkness, I soon realised I was staring up at the ground of Howarts! **Amazingly**, I had entered into my favourite book! **Running as fast as lightning**, I darted **excitedly** round the castle **because** I wanted to see as much as possible before it was too late!

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LI. To write and edit a diary entry.

TASK:

Today you are going to write your diary entry. Remember to follow your plan, keep looking at the WILF and always re-read back your last sentence to check it makes sense.



- Dear diary
- Date
- First person
- Chronological order
- Informal language – **it was soooo good!**
- Past tense – **I went...**
- Adverbs – **calmly**
- Alliteration – **colossal crash**
- Similes – **as fast as a racing car**
- Prepositions – **next to me**
- Apostrophes – **possession and contractions**
- Sign off

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Proof
reading
Peter!

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LI. To write and edit a diary entry.



Up-level
Lucy!

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Spelling
Simon!

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Don't forget to send your finished work to us. You can take a photo and then email it – we would love to celebrate your success!

