

Year 6 Activities

The Alchemist's Letter

Watch The Alchemist's Letter on The Literacy Shed:

<https://www.literacyshed.com/the-almchemists-letter.html>

It is a story about an invention that turns items to gold but at a high price. The inventor has to use his memories to power it, which robs him of his family. The story is told through a letter that the inventor leaves to his son and shows a flashback of his life.



English (choose one or more writing activities)

- 1) Write a flashback of your own. Begin where you are looking at an object or a picture that triggers a memory then write about that memory.
- 2) Write the story of The alchemist as a narrative. Add plenty of description to describe the house he lived in and his machine.
- 3) Write a set of instructions for the alchemist's machine: how it works, what components it has. Don't forget to use imperative verbs.

Maths

Our maths problems are a list of people's memories. Work out the time problems they had on their journeys. Click on the click to find them (the answers are attached but have a go before you look at them.) Maths link: <https://www.holytrinityrosehill.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Time-word-problems.pdf>

Art

Design and draw the outside of the alchemist's house or draw his machine, labelling the parts such as 'memory extractor'; 'mixing cylinder'.

Computing

The alchemist would have used algorithms to make his machine work. Find out what algorithms are and how they are used in computer programs and codes. BBC Bitesize KS2 tells you everything you need to know.

RE

The alchemist was trying to make his life better, but his greed made it worse. Write about how Jesus would want us to make the world a better place. Respond to this in your own way; for example in a drawing, story, song etc.

History

The ancient greeks believed in a story of a king who caught a magical creature and he promised to let it go free in exchange of giving him a power to turn things to gold. Research this story and other ancient greek legends. Key words: Midas, satyr, Greece, Phrygia.



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Children can continue to log on to Class Dojo to write blogs, stories, poems and diaries.