

# Writing Activity



Our new topic for the rest of this term is 'Around the World'.

So for English this week, we would like you to pick a country from around the world and write an information text on it. It can be any country. To complete this writing project, we have split it into steps.

## Step 1- Guide 2 sessions

Research your country through using the internet. Think about what each your subheadings could be and find the right information for each one. For example, the geography of Mexico, people and culture in Mexico and celebrations and landmarks in Mexico. Make notes using bullet points on a piece of paper.

## Step 2- Guide 2 sessions

Write up your information text using the checklist and template for layout. Use the example to help you. Try and write a short introduction and 3 subheadings.

## Step 3- Guide 1 session

Edit your work. Go through your work and with a coloured crayon correct any spellings or punctuation. You can use this time to make sure that your work makes sense or to add or change any of your sentences.

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|  | <b>Topic title</b> covers the whole subject.                               |  | Non-chronological reports use <b>factual language</b> .                                     |
|  | Brief <b>introduction paragraph</b> gives who/what/where overview.         |  | <b>Present tense</b> verbs (unless it is a historical report, then it would be past tense). |
|  | The information is organised into <b>paragraphs</b> .                      |  | <b>Technical language</b> may be explained in a glossary.                                   |
|  | Each category has a <b>sub-heading</b> .                                   |  | <b>Third person</b> makes it impersonal.  |
|  | Some information may be in <b>fact boxes</b> or <b>bullet-point</b> lists. |  | Non-chronological reports have a <b>formal tone</b> .                                       |
|  | <b>Extra details</b> support the main points.                              |  | <b>General language</b> , not particular examples.  |

# Writing Activity- example

## Facts About Greece

### Where in the world is Greece?

Greece is a country in the south-east of Europe. It has borders with four other countries: North Macedonia, Bulgaria, Turkey and Albania.

Greece has 8,479 miles of coastline with as many as 2000 rocky outcrops and islands. Around 170 islands are populated with the largest island being Crete, a popular holiday destination for tourists.



### What is the weather like in Greece?

Greece has a typically Mediterranean climate with hot, dry summers and mild, rainy winters. Most people consider Greece to be a summer holiday destination, although there are also popular ski resorts in the mountainous regions to the north of Athens.

Average summer temperature:

33°C

Average winter temperature:

10°C

Because of the sunny climate, more than 25 million tourists visit Greece each year!

### What is the capital city of Greece?

The capital city of Greece is Athens. Athens is one of the oldest cities in Europe, having been established more than 7000 years ago. It is said to be the birthplace of democracy. Around 40% of the entire population of Greece live here - that's almost half of all the people in Greece!



### How has Greece influenced the world today?

#### Theatre

Ancient Greeks valued the power of the spoken word and writers such as Homer wrote long poems to be performed.

#### Olympic Games

The Greek Olympics first took place in 776BC and were held in honour of Zeus, king of the Greek gods.

# Writing Activity- Template

## Non-Chronological Report

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**Fun Fact!**

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