

NASTY WRITING!

Rhetorical questions

Rhetorical questions are questions that don't need an answer or have a really obvious answer!

This question needs an answer: "Why haven't you done your homework?"

This question doesn't expect an answer: "Do you know what happened to me yesterday?"

Rhetorical questions are often used to emphasise a particular point or to engage the reader more with the writing.

Write 3-4 rhetorical questions beginning with the question starters in the list below - or you could create some of your own. Write questions you could use in your persuasive writing this week.

Challenge: write your rhetorical question and then, go on to answer it for the reader!

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- Do you think that .. ?
- Don't you think that .. ?
- Isn't it time to .. ?
- Have you ever thought about .. ?
- Why not .. ?
- Need a .. ?
- Need to .. ?
- Fancy ... ?
- Fed up with ... ?
- Bored by ... ?
- Haven't you always longed for a .. ?
- Thought about .. ?
- Worried about .. ?

Eg *Worried about only doing English and maths at junior school? Don't be! We have incredible PE and music teachers and a dedicated music room and DT room, where we can do cooking and sewing as well as many other DT and art activities.*