

Vocabulary			Technical accuracy:	Context		
1	Morality	a code of right and wrong. People who try to be good can be called moral and people who do bad things can be called immoral.	1	Structure – have you correctly laid out your letter? Is it written in paragraphs? Have you used connectives to organise the events in your letter?	1	Charles Dickens was born 7 th February 1812 in Portsmouth.
2	Vulnerable	In a situation in which you could be easily harmed. People living on the streets are vulnerable.	2	Language – have you used descriptive techniques? Is it written in a style that reflects Dickens’ work – long descriptive sentences, subordinate clauses to add detail, semi colons and hyphens? Have you used examples of the language and expressions you think Oliver would have used?	2	His novels are set in Victorian times (1830-1900).
3	Naïve	Someone who doesn’t have experience of how complicated life can be and therefore trust people too much.	3	Use a range of sentence styles – simple, compound and complex sentences	3	Dickens had to work in harsh conditions as a child when his father was sent to prison.
4	Workhouse	A place where people who couldn’t support themselves were sent to live and work.	4	Use a range of sentence openings	4	Dickens lived next to a work house until he was 19.
5	Mannerisms	Distinctive gesture or way of speaking	5	Check your spelling and punctuation	4	Victorian London was a busy city growing bigger all the time due to the Industrial Revolution. Big cities were a place where crime developed and in the early 1800s the first police force was created.
6	Poverty	The state of being very poor.	6	Write in the correct tense	6	Poor Victorian children lived in poverty. In London, many lived in unsanitary slums.
					7	Victorian people were expected to know their place in society and the church taught people to be content in their ‘station’.
					8	Dickens didn’t like the effects of social class.
					9	Other famous Charles Dickens novels include: Great Expectations, Hard Times, A Christmas Carol, Nicholas Nickleby, David Copperfield and Bleak House.

| **Knowledge Organiser:** Year 7 English – Oliver Twist |

Homework Activities		Expressions Oliver may have used	
1	Research the life of Charles Dickens. Explore: his writing, his family, the time period he lived in and anything else you find of interest. Be creative in how you present your information.	1	‘a half-quarten loaf’
2	Learn the following spellings for a test in class: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: left;"> character Juvenile pickpocket Appearance chronological </div> <div style="text-align: left;"> actor scenery atmosphere playscript dialogue </div> </div>	2	‘These seven days....’
		3	‘I do indeed ..’
		4	‘My dear friend ...’
		Quotes to describe John Dawkins	
3	Write a diary entry from the perspective of John Dawkins (the Artful Dodger) reflecting on your first meeting with Oliver Twist. What do you think the Artful Dodger would say about Oliver? Include phrases the Artful Dodger would use.	1	‘snub-nosed, flat brows, common-faced boy.’
4	Create a ten question quiz for your classmates based on the extract we have read from Oliver Twist.	2	‘little, sharp, ugly eyes.’
5	Read an extract from another novel by Charles Dickens. Can you find any common themes or ideas between the two texts?	3	‘as dirty a juvenile as one would wish to see.’
6	20 minutes Read Theory	4	‘all the airs and manners of a man.’
		5	‘swaggering a young gentleman as ever stood four feet six.’

Oliver Twist – Plot Summary

1	Oliver is born in the workhouse. When he is a bit older he is nominated to ask for more food because the boys are starving.
2	He is kicked out of the workhouse and sold to the Sowerberry family to be an undertaker's apprentice. He's bullied by Noah, they fight and he is locked up.
3	Oliver runs away to London, meets Dodger and is introduced to Fagin's gang.
4	Oliver is taken out with the gang and is horrified to see Dodger steal a gentleman's handkerchief. Oliver is wrongly arrested for the theft.
5	The gentleman, Mr. Brownlow, takes pity on Oliver and takes him in. The gang plot to get him back in case he reveals information about them.
6	Oliver is abducted by the gang whilst running an errand for Mr. Brownlow.
7	Oliver is used by Sikes in a burglary. They fail and Sikes runs away. Oliver is left behind but the people who live there feel sorry for him and look after him. They are called Fred and Rose Maylie.
8	When Bill and Fagin realise what has happened, they plot to catch Oliver again. Nancy overhears and visits Mr. Brownlow to warn him.
9	Fagin tells Bill about Nancy's betrayal and Bill murders her. Fagin is discovered and sent to prison and Bill dies trying to run away.
10	Oliver discovers who his parents were and joins Mr. Brownlow and the Maylies to live happily ever after.