

Key Stage 4 English Home learning term 3 week 3



Frankenstein by Mary Shelley looks at what happens when one man decides to play God. His actions ultimately lead to his own downfall.

What do you think 'to play God' means'?

What does 'downfall' mean?

You could research these phrases online.

The novel was first published in 1818. It was written originally by Mary Shelley as a short story when the poet Lord Byron suggested that each member of a group of friends write a ghostly tale to keep themselves entertained. Mary's story was the undoubted winner. This video is all about the author of the story. It is a long video so you don't have to watch it all at once. If any of the ideas upset you, please stop and move onto another activity. Remember a Gothic Horror story is trying to scare people, it is a warning to think about the consequences of your actions.

[Mary Shelley's Frankenstein - A Documentary \(FULL MOVIE\) - Bing video](#)



Interesting vocabulary:

Adjectives (describing words) – dark, cloudy, ancient, creaky, crumbling, icy (think of five more)



Verbs (doing words) – scurrying, pounding, screeching, wailing, crashing (think of five more)



Now use one of these sentence openers to begin your own story...

One dark and stormy night....

My heart was pounding fast as I opened the ancient wooden door to the dark, forbidding castle...

Suddenly the hairs on the back of my neck stood up, someone was watching me...

Remember to use exciting adjectives to describe the scene, characters and emotions. As well as interesting verbs or doing words.

You can email your completed work to me via office@ifield.kent.sch.uk so that I can mark your work and support you. I am very happy to answer any questions or just let me know how you are getting along.

Keep safe and well

Mrs Hargood 😊