



# Learning Journey: HT1 Year 8 Dystopian Literature (reading)

exploitation

totalitarian

dictator

utopia

dystopia

corruption

## Big Idea: Description is transportation

### What are we learning?

This term we will be exploring a genre of literature known as dystopian literature. This is an exciting type of literature that helps us learn more about ourselves and our world through opening our eyes to the consequences of our actions as a society. We will be applying our analysis skills that we developed last year developing our ability to write an analysis (PEATL) through analysing the setting and characters. You will use all of this knowledge in your next unit too when you develop your writing skills and create your own dystopian world.

**Employability Skill:**  
Understanding the need for empathy.



### What do I need to understand?

- ☐ Plot & characters
- ☐ Context
- ☐ What dystopian literature
- ☐ How to write an analysis
- ☐ Understanding of the 'big ideas'.

### How will I know how to use reading skills successfully?

- ☐ You will **read and understand** several types of text to understand the genre. You will also read the novel and analyse sections of these in these in pairs and as a class. This will help you to do this independently.

### How will I be assessed on my writing skills?

**Formative Assessment: Analysis of setting in Legend**

- You will **read** an extract together and then write an analytical paragraph about it using a writing frame to help you.
- ☐ Your teacher will give you feedback on how to improve.

### How will I know how to use reading skills successfully?

- ☐ You will **practise** reading skills with a focus on how to write a paragraph using the PEATL structure. Your teacher will model this so that you know exactly how to do this. You will also spend time annotating extracts and exploring character so that you can practise your inference making skills from last year.

### How will I be assessed on my speaking and listening skills?

- ☐ **Summative assessment:** Analysis of character in Legend
- ☐ Your teacher will give you feedback on how to improve.