

Home Learning.  
Week 2 (27<sup>th</sup> April - 1<sup>st</sup> May)  
Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo

Please make sure you have managed to get an e-copy of  
the book Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo.  
Or collected one from the front of school

Week 2 Tasks:

Please read chapters 1-2 and complete the tasks below.  
This must be completed to a good standard. Any issues  
please contact [admin@ponteland.academy](mailto:admin@ponteland.academy) and ask to  
speak to Mrs Nixon.

I look forward to also seeing lots of entries/images of  
the Week 1 Desert Island in a Jar task.

Good luck for Week 2 😊 stay safe.

Mrs N 😊

Michael's father decides that the family will sail around the world together. Do you think that it would be a good idea for your family to do something like this?

Complete the chart with your reasons FOR and AGAINST.

FOR	AGAINST
<i>It's a really exciting adventure and would be great fun.</i>	<i>It is scary, sailing into the unknown</i>
<i>One long holiday and no school.</i>	<i>Too much Mum and Dad.</i>

Use this sheet to help you construct a really good essay arguing for and against the trip.

## SAILING AROUND THE WORLD

I am not sure that sailing around the world with my family would be a good thing to do because.....

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On the other hand.....

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However.....

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One good thing about it would be.....

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Nevertheless.....

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Another point of view is.....

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In conclusion.....

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When you have written this, **check your spelling and punctuation** very carefully, and then write it up in neat.

Well done, you have just constructed a very good argument!

# QUESTIONS ON CHAPTER 1

1. Why has Michael decided now to tell his story?

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2. Describe Michael's school days at St Joseph's.

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3. Who are the members of Michael's family?

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4. What do the family do together on the weekends? Can you describe how it makes them feel?

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5. Why do the family stop sailing?

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6. What is the atmosphere like in the house?

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7. What happened to Michael's best friend?

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8. What happens to Michael's father and why?

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9. What do you think happens next?

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10. Describe the father when they meet up again. What sort of mood is he in?

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In Chapter 1 of *Kensuke's Kingdom* the author, Michael Morpurgo, uses some challenging words.

1. Using a dictionary look up the meaning of the following words and write them in the table.
2. Then write a sentence using the word to show that you understand how to use it.

<b>WORD</b>	<b>MEANING</b>	<b>SENTENCE</b>
revelling		
exhilarating		
gibbered		
savaged		
redundant		
lunacy		
liability		