



**Teacher Notes -
The Lychford File and The Literacy Hour**

**"Demonstrates how activities within
the Lychford File might be used
to deliver some elements within
the Literacy Strategy"**

This is a simple guide designed as a quick cross referencing aid for teachers. It demonstrates how activities within the Lychford File might be used to deliver some of the elements in the Literacy Strategy. It is neither comprehensive nor over prescriptive as many activities can be used over different years and the opportunities are seemingly endless!

This guide has focused on the non fiction text level and has been laid out in the same format as the Summary of the Range of Work for Each Term.

In general:

- Many of the texts, including Upcot Farm, Nurcot Farm and Lychford Times can be used in part or whole as unseen texts.
- The introductory activities which involve use of the maps, place names and local statistics can be used at many levels.
- The audio and visual tapes may be used both as intended, or the transcript used - again in part or as a whole.

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Year 1 - Non-fiction

Term 1

- signs, labels, captions, lists, instructions

Use from The Lychford File:

- Photos
- Torre Farm - Teachers' Notes p12 and 13 and Student Worksheets (6-8)

Term 2

- information texts, including non chronological reports
- simple dictionaries

Use from The Lychford File:

- Photos
- Torre Farm - Teachers' Notes p12 and Student Worksheets (6-8)

Term 3

- information texts, lists, instructions including recounts of observations, visits, events

Use from The Lychford File:

- Video - sequence 6 - The Agricultural Show
- Video - sequence 8 - The Village Fete
- Video - sequence 17 - Floods in the Village

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Year 2 - Non-fiction

Term 1

- instructions

Use from The Lychford File:

- Introduction to Lychford -Teachers' Notes p7-11 and Student Worksheets (1-5)
- Video - sequence 3 Silage Making
- Video - sequence 5 Haymaking
- Video - sequence 14 The Farrier
- Video - sequence 4 Flyfishing
- Photos

Term 2

- dictionaries, glossaries, indexes and other alphabetically ordered texts
- explanations

Use from The Lychford File:

- Torre Farm - describe/rename/ invent Teachers' Notes p12 and Student Worksheets (6-8)
- Glossary
- Video - sequence 3 Silage Making
- Video - sequence 5 Haymaking
- Video - sequence 14 The Farrier
- Video - sequence 4 Fly Fishing
- Flow Diagram

Term 3

- information texts, including non chronological reports

Use from The Lychford File:

- Upcot Farm - Teachers' Notes p15-16 and Student Worksheet (10)
- Nurcot Farm -Teachers' Notes p14 and Student Worksheet (9)

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Year 3 - Non-fiction

Term 1

- Information texts on topics of interest.
- Non-chronological reports.
- Thesauri, dictionaries.

Use from The Lychford File:

- Nurcot Farm - Teachers' Notes p14 and Student Worksheet (9)
- Introduction to Lychford - Teachers' Notes p7-11 and Student Worksheets (1-5)
- Place names - wordstudy Student Worksheet (5)
- Upcot Farm - Teachers' Notes p15-16 and Student Worksheet (10)

Term 2

- instructions
- dictionaries without illustrations, thesauri
- note taking

Use from The Lychford File:

- Introduction to Lychford - Teachers' Notes p7-11 and Student Worksheets (1-5)
- Map work - instruction Student Worksheets (1-2)

Term 3

- letters written for a range of purposes: to recount, explain, enquire, congratulate, complain
- alphabetical texts, directories, encyclopedias, indexes

Use from The Lychford File:

- Punchbowl - Car Park - Teachers' Notes p22 and Student Worksheet (25)
- Woodland and Wildlife Game

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Year 4 - Non-fiction

Term 1

- A range of text-types from reports and articles in news-papers and magazines
- Instructions

Use from The Lychford File:

- Lychford Times - Teachers' Notes p20 and Student Worksheet (24)
- Lychford Park - Fly Tying - Teachers' Notes p18 and Student Worksheets (17-20)
- Video - Sequence 4 Fly Fishing
- Introduction to Lychford - Map work - Teachers' Notes p7-8 and Student Worksheets (2-3)

Term 2

- Information texts on same or similar themes
- Explanations

Use from The Lychford File:

- Lychford Park - Teachers' Notes p17-18 and Student Worksheets (11-16)
- Video -Sequence 3 Silage Making
- Video - Sequence 5 Haymaking

Term 3

- Persuasive writing: adverts, circulars, flyers.
- Discussion texts: debates, editorials.
- Information texts linked to other curricular areas.

Use from The Lychford File:

- Oakcombe Farm - Teachers' Notes p19 and Student Worksheets (21-23)
- Introduction to Lychford - Teachers' Notes p7-11 and Student Worksheets (1-5)

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Year 5 - Non-fiction

Term 1

- Recounts of events, activities, visits; observational records, news reports.
- Instructional texts; rules, recipes, directions, instructions, showing how things are done.

Use from The Lychford File:

- Lychford Times - Teachers' Notes p20 and Student Worksheet (24)
- Introduction to Lychford - Teachers' Notes p7-11 and Student Worksheets (1-5)
- Video - Sequence 6 The Agricultural Show
- Video - Sequence 8 The Village Fete
- Video - Sequence 18 The Game Shoot
- Video - Sequence 23 The Salmon Run
- Video - Sequence 14 The Farrier

Term 2

- Non-chronological reports (i.e. to describe and classify).
- Explanations (processes, systems, operations etc). Use content from other subjects, e.g. how the digestive system works, how to find a percentage, the rain cycle.

Use from The Lychford File:

- Introduction to Lychford - Teachers' Notes p8-9 and Student Worksheet (4)
- Woodland Wildlife Game

Term 3

- Persuasive writing to put or argue a point of view, letters, commentaries, leaflets to persuade, criticise, protest, support, object, and complain.
- Dictionaries, thesauruses, including IT resources.

Use from The Lychford File:

- Punchbowl - Car Park - Teachers' Notes p22 and Student Worksheet (25)

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Year 6 - Non-fiction

Term 1

- Autobiography and biography diaries, journals, letters, anecdotes, records of observations etc. which recount experiences and events.
- Journalistic writing-
- Non-chronological reports.

Use from The Lychford File:

- Audio: Mr Robert Clatworthy; Mr Wright; Mr Andy Williams; Mr Vernon Rush
- Lychford Park - Teachers' Notes p17-18 and Student Worksheets (11-16)
- Woodland and Wildlife Game

Term 2

- Discussion texts-
- Formal writing: notices, public information documents etc.

Use from The Lychford File:

- Nurcot Farm - Teachers' Notes p14 and Student Worksheet (10)
- Lychford Park - Teachers' Notes p17-18 and Student Worksheets (11-16)

Term 3

- Explanations linked to work from other subjects-
- Non-chronological report linked to work from other subjects-
- Use of reference texts, range of dictionaries, thesauruses including IT sources.

Use from The Lychford File:

- Lychford Park - Teachers' Notes p17-18 and Student Worksheets (11-16)