

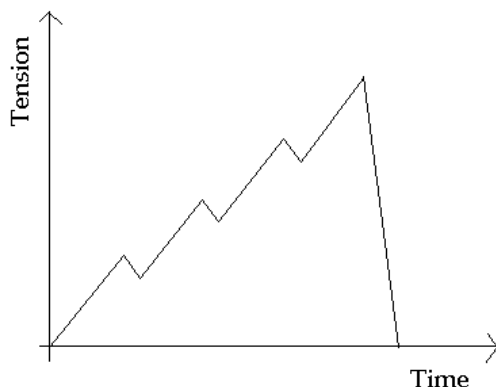
Week 4 Instructions for English

Tuesday

Read an extract from Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone and plot the tension.

Distribute pages from Chapter 15 (From '*They walked on through the dense, dark trees...*' to '*...Can you ride? It will be quicker this way.*'). Put into context: *Harry, Hermione, Neville & Malfoy have been given detention in the Forbidden Forest.*

Read and discuss the extract, thinking about the main events and how high the tension is at each point. Score each event out of ten (0-no tension, 10-incredibly tense) and use this to plot a tension graph (very like a story mountain), with tension level on the Y axis and plot events in time order on the X axis. Extend your learning by discussing whether the extract follows the expected story arc and how Rowling creates tension through plot and language use.



You need to add notes about the plot and the tension to your graph.

Share your graphs on Purple Mash.

I wonder if you will all agree on which part of the extract was the tensest?