



Teaching Notes & Resources

Key Stage 2-3

Themes: World War II | Animals | Spies | French Resistance

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CHARACTER STUDY CHARLES REDFEARN



While reading Spy Fox and Agent Feathers by Dermot O'Leary, gather information about the main character, Charles. You should add to each category as the story develops and you learn more about him.



What do you know about Charles?

What is Charles' personality? How does this develop throughout the story? What challenges does Charles face, and how does he deal with them?

What is Charles' relationship like with Gertrude? How does it develop throughout the story?





CODE BREAKING



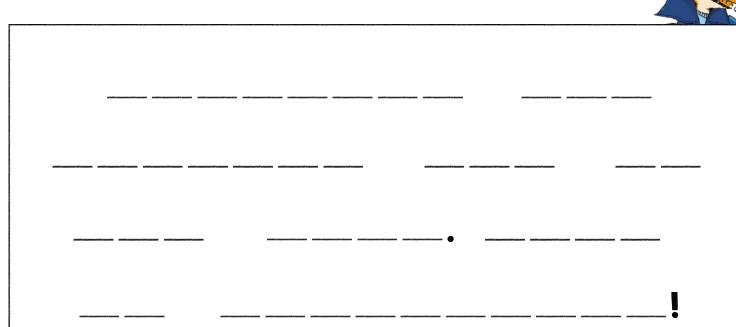
Be a code breaker like Gertrude Featherhorn from *Spy Fox and Agent Feathers* by **Dermot O'Leary**. Crack the code to decipher the message.

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DIARY ENTRY DUNKIRK



After reading Chapter 2 of Spy Fox and Agent Feathers by Dermot O'Leary, write a diary entry from the perspective of Sergeant Pierre Elliott talking about his evacuation from the beach at Dunkirk. You should mention how he felt before being rescued, the events that led up to him eventually being hauled aboard HMS Shikari and how he felt about the soldiers left behind.

Dear Diary,		







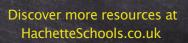
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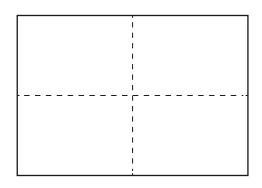




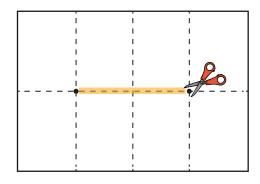
FRENCH DICTIONARY



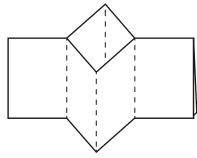
This dictionary contains translations of all the French words and phrases used in *Spy Fox and Agent Feathers* by Dermot O'Leary. You can refer to it while reading the book.



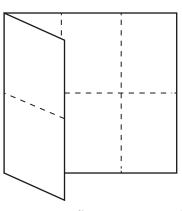
Fold your sheet in half both ways. There are lines on the booklet to help guide you.



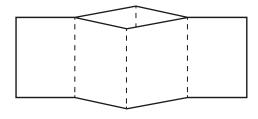
Using scissors, carefully cut along the centre fold.



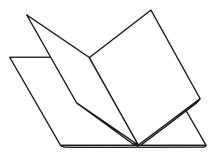
Push the sides together, closing the gap you have cut.



Lay your paper flat again and fold both of the short edges into the centre.



Fold the paper in half long ways, then pull the cut open.



Fold the pages round so the cover is at the front. If you want your book to be extra strong, glue the insides of the pages so it holds it's shape.









My friend

Mon ami

Mon dieu

Mon cousin

monsieur

Thank you, sir/mr

Merci,

Oeu Zon My God! My cousin

My friends

Messieurs

Mes amis

One minute/one moment Une minute



Trois, deux, un

Tout de suite Immediately/at once

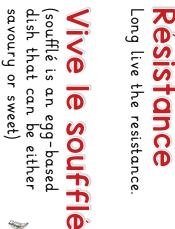
Who are you? Qui êtes vous?

Poulet Chicken

Three, two, one







Allez

50 on

Bonne chance

Good luck



DICTIONARY

FEATHERS

AND AGENT

A french manor house or palace.

Coq au vin

Chicken cooked in wine, mushrooms, bacon and A famous french dish. shallots.

Enchanté

Vive Ia

Delighted/enchanted to meet

Et voilà

And that is/and here is/and it is/and there is

Frites

Chips/fries

Mademoiselle

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LETTER WRITING



After reading Spy Fox and Agent Feathers by Dermot O'Leary, write a letter to Sir Claudius Browne, head of the secret service, in character as Charles. Imagine you are writing to thank him for introducing you to Gertrude Featherhorn. You should explain how you felt when you first met her, how she changed your mind and what you think of her now. Describe what you love about her personality and how she impressed you during the mission.

Dear Sir,			
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MISSION REPORT



After reading Spy Fox and Agent Feathers by Dermot O'Leary, write a mission report sequencing and summarising the key events that happened when Charles and Gertrude went to France on their mission (from Chapter 5 onwards). Write from the perspective of either Charles or Gertrude.

NAME OF REPORTING AGENT:	
LOCATION:	
SUMMARY OF EVENTS:	







WORDSEARCH



Find the missing words in the wordsearch. All of the words are key vocabulary taken from Spy Fox and Agent Feathers by Dermot O'Leary.

G	Ε	R	T	R	U	D	Ε	R	0	V	S	V
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AGENT CHARLES CHATEAU CHICKEN

DUNKIRK EGGS FOX FRANCE GERTRUDE
PACIFIST
RESISTANCE
SABOTEUR







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