

GPS week 3 Session 1	English and GPS: Lakshmi and the Clever Washerwoman		
Starter	Watch the clip telling part 1 of the story of Lakshmi and the Clever Washerwoman https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/english-ks1-lakshmi-and-the-clever-washwoman-part-1/zmhgvk7		
Parent	This week the GPS is linked into the English lessons and revises some of the learning so far this year. The story that is retold is a traditional Hindu tale that links to the festival of lights known as Diwali (celebrated this year on 14th November). If your child is a confident reader, then they should be encouraged to read the text found in two parts on the website. The first activity supports their learning on editing work and they will need to spot and correct the mistakes in a piece of text. There is only one activity for this and it is GPS revision from topics we have already learnt about in Year 2.		
Activities	Spot and correct the spelling mistakes and punctuation errors in activity 1. Then use the answer sheet to mark it.		
Parent	If your child struggled with the spellings please refer back to the related phonemes in phase 5 https://central.espresso.co.uk/espresso/primary_uk/subject/module/frontscreen/item63425/grade1/index.html or missed some of the punctuation errors then please recap the skills by watching the clips and playing games: https://central.espresso.co.uk/espresso/primary_uk/subject/module/frontscreen/item910313/grade1/index.html		
English week 3 Session 2	English and GPS: Lakshmi and the Clever Washerwoman		
Starter	Watch the clip or read the text telling part 2 of the story of Lakshmi and the Clever Washerwoman: https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/english-ks1-lakshmi-and-the-clever-washwoman-part-2/zngj8xs		
Parent	They need to understand the vocabulary within the story to be able to complete the remaining activities. Ask them to recap on the story with questions such as:		
Activity	* Worksheet or Extraordinary homelearning book based activity	** Worksheet or Extraordinary homelearning book based activity	*** Worksheet or Extraordinary homelearning book based activity
	Find the list of words on the sheet entitled 'Clarifying vocabulary.' They can print the sheet out or just record the list in their books. Find	Find the list of words on the sheet entitled 'Clarifying vocabulary' They can print the sheet out or just record the list in their books. Find	As the ** activity, however for an extra challenge - are they able to identify which ones are nouns, verbs or adjectives. They could

	the definition of the words in a dictionary or online (unless they know them already of course). Draw a picture to define each word.	the definition of the words in a dictionary or online and write their definitions.	underline or highlight them in different colours to show this. (See answers below)
Reading/ writing week 3 Session 3	English and GPS: Lakshmi and the Clever Washerwoman		
Starter	Watch the clip or read the text telling part 1 of the story again.		
Parent	Today the lesson is about understanding the feelings of a character. Please ask them to imagine they are the washerwoman and ask questions such as: How might it feel to have to wash your clothes in a river every day? (Explain that you would have to scrub them hard to get all the dirt and grim out, which would be a tiring task because there would not be any washing powder or warm water) Close your eyes and imagine you are the washerwoman finding the necklace. What can you see? How does it feel: is it smooth or rough? Does it feel cool or warm to touch? What does it make you think of as you move it in your hands? Does it smell of anything? Maybe the perfume of the person who wore it?		
Writing Activity	Use the activity sheet or draw the washer woman in their Extraordinary Home Learning books and add the thoughts in the speech bubble.		
GPS week 3 Session 4	English and GPS: Lakshmi and the Clever Washerwoman		
Starter	Sequence the story using the activity sheet on the website and retell it to an adult using vocabulary from the clarifier sheet.		
Parent	The GPS activity today is reinforcement from the online learning last term and helps them identify and use contractions which is a key concept for Year 2. You might like to explain to them that contractions are mostly used in speech and not in pieces of more formal writing such as letters, non-fiction texts or instructions.		
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	Complete GPS sheet 2 but only do the first two examples or just talk to an adult about which words they are.	Complete GPS sheet 2 filling in the expanded words that form the contractions within the text examples. For instance - "she's" is a contraction made from the words "she is".	As 2 star activity but to create their own sentence using a contraction for the final part of the sheet and as a challenge can they find all contractions within both parts of the story.

Parent	If your child needs reinforcement with identifying the contractions then please look at the activities on Espresso https://central.espresso.co.uk/espresso/primary_uk/subject/module/video/item910797/grade1/module910313/collection910391/section910794/index.html
English week 3 Session 5	English and GPS: Lakshmi and the Clever Washerwoman
Starter	None today
Parent	session 5 is an opportunity to complete an activities outstanding. If they have enjoyed the story there are many other stories related to Diwali that they could explore: https://central.espresso.co.uk/espresso/primary_uk/subject/module/frontscreen/item866836/grade1/index.html?source=search-all-all-all&source-keywords=Diwali https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zmwmpv4 https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/religious-studies-ks1-the-hindu-story-of-rama-and-sita/zdtmnrtd Or they might like to make a reward poster for finding the pearl necklace, reinforce vocabulary through a word search or simply colour pictures from the story. All these can be found on the website.