

ABLE, GIFTED AND TALENTED HOMEWORK

Appropriate homework for more able, gifted and talented promotes:

- Choice of activity
- Use of higher order thinking skills
- Extended learning which allows the learner to explore in more depth and greater width
- Independent learning and research skills
- Preparation for future in-class learning
- Cross-curricular links
- Formative assessment
- Creativity

Consider

What is the purpose of the homework you are setting?

How does it stretch able, gifted and talented learners?

How is it going to be assessed/marked?

Homework is one of the bridges between school and home, what is the homework set saying about what happens for more able learners at school?

Do you ask pupils and parents their views on the homework that is being set.

Check

- Does homework repeat work previously completed in class?
- The task set is not more practice at skills already mastered or further consolidation of basic skills.
- The work set is not just a cloze exercise.
- Does homework build on learners' interests?
- Do learners have a choice in their own homework?
- The homework is challenging, either by being set at a higher level or by asking learners to use what they have learnt in a new and unfamiliar situation.