## Activities to encourage reading and writing at home in Years 7 to 10



## Suggested reading and writing activities are general. Activities can be transferred to topics or texts of interest to your child.

Construct a diagram which explains how sharks' 'sixth' sense works. Key research word – ampullae of Lorenzini	Create an analogy to explain how sharks are able to sleep.	<b>Produce</b> a poem or short informative video clip or powerpoint presentation about sharks, complete with background music to suit.	<b>Design</b> a model using products from around the house to demonstrate how a shark's liver provides power for long ocean voyages.
Collaborate in online forums to judge which apex predator is superior, a lion or a Great White shark? Support your opinion with facts.	Compare and contrast the representation of sharks in two famous movies.	Explain why Epaulette sharks are truly amazing and how humans' understanding of them might benefit modern medicine?	Create your own crossword based on fun facts about sharks.
<b>Develop</b> a map of shark movement in waters off the Queensland coast over the past two weeks.	<b>Create</b> a series of infographics for the general public representing shark- sighting data.	<b>Transform</b> a favourite nursery rhyme into a rhyme about sharks. Record it using background sound effects and music.	Write/tell an alternative ending to a famous movie about a shark.
<b>Construct</b> a food web which includes Great White sharks. Use objects from around the house to create the organisms in the web and to represent energy flow.	Produce an interview with a fictional scientist to debunk some popular myths about sharks.	Create a comic strip timeline to show how sharks have evolved over time.	Create an illustrated children's book to educate young people about a day in the life of a shark.
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