

## English Summer Project 2023: Writing a Book Review for *The Daydreamer* by Ian McEwan

## Due: 6th September 2023

Over the summer holidays, you will read *The Daydreamer*, a book about the extraordinary events that happen to a boy named Peter Fortune. A copy was loaned to you on Induction Day.

Once you have finished reading, you will write a book review about *The Daydreamer*. A book review is a detailed explanation of what happens in a book as well as a personal evaluation of the book, which means giving your honest opinion and thoughts about the plot, the characters, and the experience of reading it.

## Instructions for writing your book review:

1. **It must be a minimum of three paragraphs.** You will write in complete sentences using correct spelling, punctuation, and grammar.

## Suggested structure:

Paragraph 1 - Summary of the characters and setting. Who is the main character? What do they look like/what are they like? How do you feel about the character? Where is it set?

Paragraph 2 - Summary of the plot. What are three key events that happen in the story? What causes these events? What genre is the book and why?

Paragraph 3 - Would you recommend this book to other students or adults? Why or why not? How did this book make you feel and why? What did you most like about the book? What did you dislike?

- 2. You need to write this on your own without help from another person, parent or carer. This is so your teacher can get to know you and how you express your thoughts and opinions.
- 3. You can use the 'Book Review' worksheet that you completed during your Induction Day in July to help you get ideas of what to write about for *The Daydreamer*.
- 4. You must hand in your book review <u>and</u> return your copy of *The Daydreamer* to your English teacher on your first day of English. It can be handwritten neatly on lined paper or typed and printed.

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