Year 4: Leaf

Useful information	
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Other books	The Dog that Ate the World; Waiting for Wolf



Grammar, Punctuation and Language Features

noun	a person, place or thing man, Arctic, polar bear	noun phrase	determiner + adjective(s) + noun the deserted home
verbs	an action, doing or being word - they change tense! creeping	adverbs	explains how, when or where the verb happens creeping menacingly
adverbial phrase	a group of words that has been used like an adverb to add detail to a verb I'll tidy up in a minute.	fronted adverbials	words/phrases at the beginning of a sentence, used to describe the action that follows (with comma!) All of a sudden,
preposition	tell you where a noun is in relation to another noun (the position!) across, under, above, next to	prepositional phrase	a group of words containing a preposition and noun it refers to across the deserted landscape
coordinating conjunctions	FANBOYS for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so	subordinating conjunctions	I SAW A WABUB if, since, as, when, although, while, after, before, until, because
apostrophe for possession	singular noun - add ' and s the cliff's edge plural noun ending in s - add ' the eyes' sockets	apostrophe for contraction	used to join two words together, replacing the missing letters it + is = it's should + not = shouldn't

Vocabulary

habit	doing often in a regular and repeated way
situation	what is happening at a particular time/place
drifted	to move slowly with no control over direction
deserted	if a place is deserted, there are no people in it
rifled	search quickly through something, often to steal
matted	twisted into a firm, messy mass
shunned	to avoid something or someone
landmark	a building or place that is easily recognised
indicator	something that shows what a situation is like
hostile	unfriendly and not liking something
vast	extremely big; large area
consume	to use up food, fuel, energy or time
omnivore	person/animal that eats all kinds of food
carrion	decaying flesh of a dead animal

Focus Writing

Outsider narrative	A story where a character who is not from that place arrives and changes things.
Information report	A report which is not written in time order. They are usually non-fiction and give information.