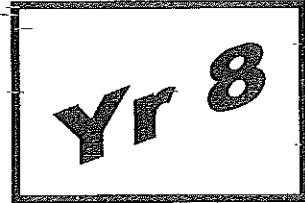


KEY STAGE 3 ASSESSMENT SHEET



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Unit Title:	NOVEL		
Date:			
Core Targets :			
1. To use personality adjectives to describe character.	✓		
2. To use PEA (Point, Evidence, Analysis) to structure paragraphs.	✓		

Student's Comment:

1. The best thing about my essay is my Introduction because I used Interesting Words.

2. One thing I still need to work on is my grammar an punctuation

I have checked my spelling, punctuation and expression. Signed.....

Teacher's Comment: *A good understanding of*
paragraphs and good choice of supporting
quotations.

TARGET : You need to... *focus on the writers craft.*

The wave

try to say something specific about the text.

The Wave is a deep and complicated story written by Morton Rhue. It is about how people react in difficult situations, how people react under peer pressure and in control of lots of people. Different characters represent various, important issues that make you think; What would I do? Laurie is constructed as independent and strong-willed. The readers are positioned to respond to her empathetically. Mr. Ross is shown as energetic and creative. The reader is supposed to like Mr. Ross's character and to see that he really cares about his students. Roberts's character is lonely and a failure. The reader feels sorry for him and wants him to be accepted. These three characters show that some people like power and others don't, how a group's opinion can change your opinion and how a group's actions will affect yours.

In the beginning of the novel Laurie is constructed as smart, popular and confident, but by the end the reader can see she has become, wiser, more mature and has a better sense of justice. At the beginning of The Wave Laurie is worried about what the wave is becoming; she feels that there are no individuals anymore, "Does anyone feel kinda strange about this?". When Laurie says "kinda" it makes her seem nervous about admitting her fears to her friends, and worried that she will be the only one feeling uncertain about The Wave. "As usual there were two A papers, Laurie and Amy." Laurie was the top in her class and was intelligent. She was confident and independent. The word "usual" implies that she always gets top marks. In the beginning of the novel Laurie was naive, she understood what had happened in the world and what was happening but she only knew the facts. During the Wave Laurie felt worried, scared and defiant. "No, this is ridiculous. Even you know it's ridiculous". The word "ridiculous" shows how silly she thinks the whole thing is. Laurie refused to give into the wave, "You'd better shut your mouth", even when she was threatened she continued to fight the Wave and stand up for what she thought was right. The word "better" makes the sentence seem more threatening and forceful. At the end of the Wave Laurie becomes more mature. "In a way I am glad this happened" this shows she has grown up more and has been able to look back on the wave and proud that she learnt an important lesson (to stick up for what you believe in no matter what everyone else thinks or is doing) and she stuck up for what she thought was right. At the end of the Wave Laurie understands how people felt in the Nazi rule, she becomes more aware of people around her and understands about how people will react in different situations. She becomes more empathetic.

less that to be consistent

Mr. Ross is shown as imaginative and energetic, and he is an important character because he created the wave. At the beginning of the wave, Mr. Ross didn't know how big it was going to become. Mr. Ross was often described as creative and he really wanted his students to learn which led to the creation of the wave. "I might be teaching these kids the most important lesson of their life!" This quote shows how dedicated Mr. Ross is, he did not have to create the Wave or try so hard to make them understand but he did. The word "might" implies that Ben Ross is a bit unsure of the Wave, but the exclamation mark "!" means that he is excited about the Wave. I think that Mr. Ross thought it would work well but a deeper part of him was worried; worried about what might happen if it went wrong. "I realize now that a classroom is not a science lab." I think it was growth on Mr. Ross's part to be able to admit that he was wrong. When Mr. Ross uses the word "I" it implies that he is taking full responsibility of the Wave experiment. He is not saying "we" or "they", which shows Mr. Ross's good character and that he is able to accept responsibilities and his own mistakes.

try to focus a little more on the writer's craft - write explicitly about Morton Rhue's language choice.

what the wave is

Robert is constructed as lonely and an underachiever and the reader understands that he has no confidence, because he lives in the shadow of his successful older brother. Before the Wave Robert had no friends and didn't try at all at school. "I wouldn't do any good anyway." This quote shows that Robert has an extremely low self-esteem and no confidence in himself. The word "anyway" implies that he doesn't even want to attempt to try. Robert would not try at school because he thought he could never be as good as his older brother. "Shirt tails hanging out and his hair always a mess". I think that Robert was messy because he couldn't be bothered to try being neat, or smart because he always thought he would disappoint himself and everyone else, not living up to the standards set before him. During the Wave Robert was much happier because he was finally accepted and he was treated equally. "When David saw him he insisted he sit at the table". The word "insisted" shows that David really wanted Robert to sit there and that Robert was hesitant at first, because Robert was "equal" to everyone else he finally had friends. Having friends built up his confidence and Robert would answer questions in class which he had not before. After the Wave Robert was very upset, "tears running down his face". The word "running" suggests that he was crying a lot, not just a few tears that "trickled" down his cheek but many tears. Robert was crying because for the first time he was accepted as himself only to have it all taken away and left with nothing. Robert felt upset, tricked, confused and defeated. Despite the fact that he was upset, Robert learnt the most important lesson he will ever learn; not to follow orders blindly and to always question your own and others actions.

In the Wave Morton Rhau shows that a highschool is not a science lab and that you should always question your own actions. He shows that power is not always good and that a group will often over rule your own. The idea of Individuality is extremely important and I think that the experiment was good in that respect because it taught them how important individuality it, but it is also bad which is why I think it should never be repeated. If the experiment happened at West Island School, I think that lots of people would go along with the Wave only to follow what everyone else was doing.

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