

IT Skills Challenges

Please keep all drafts as tutor/teacher will check these against your final production. Where you intend to significantly alter work on-screen then print out a copy before you make the changes.. keep this as a 'draft'. Check that you have carried out all steps below so you can get your best marks.

Challenge 1: Multimedia Challenge

This can be done in groups of 2-3. Check with your teacher as to the topic you will research.

Firstly, Research your topic finding the information you require

You will now use a Multimedia authoring program to present your information:

- Create 2-3 pages (these can/will be linked together). Write a paragraph summarising your topic, conclusions or original thoughts on the pages. Include titles and illustrations/clipart where needed. Make sure that it has been carefully edited. Don't try to put too much on the page, it can be too busy!
- Choose a sensible page colour... often white glares too much on a computer screen
- Put your own sound/voice on a page (using a microphone)
Prepare a script for the sound (20 seconds max) It could be a 'radio' play, a spoken poem, a rap, recorded music... be creative. When you have edited and practised it, you can see the teacher about recording it with the computer microphone.
- Put pictures and buttons (to turn to other pages) on each page
- Save it in **your** folder or a folder with your topic title.

Check:

Is the page design:

- Balanced (good use of space, does your eye find parts of the page hard to look at? Does your eye get easily lead around the page?)
- Easy to read (good use of font size & colour)

Challenge 2: Paint or Draw Challenge

Use Paint or Draw to create your own original artwork or logo.

you can combine clipart to create your own original drawing, but there must be some original drawing or text on the page.

You must:

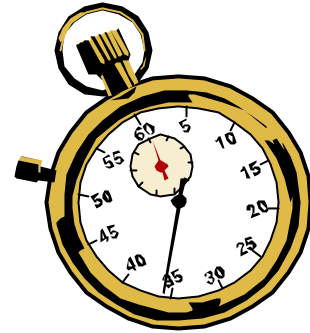
- Use 4-5 tools or effects to create it (you should be able to tell me about these tools)
e.g. Square tool, paint tool, fill colour, text tool, resize
- You **must use** the copy tool or copy an object
- Save it in your folder

Remember all challenges can be completed at home but I need proof. Parents should sign the printed out work to acknowledge that it has been done by you (not them), and that you have saved it in a folder with your name. (see below)

Yes, _____ has completed challenge 1 on this sheet and has saved it on the harddrive in a personal folder

Yes, _____ has completed challenge 2 on this sheet and has saved it on the harddrive in a personal folder

Signed: _____ (parent)



- Plan your time wisely
- You have **priority** over recreational users on the computer

Need Help?

1. See a class 'buddy' pupil with experience
2. Check out manuals or online help if available