# READING WRITING & SPENNS

# Week 6:







# Reading



1. This week's Visual Literacy shows the tension on the TT starting line. Find the video and choose Level 1, 2 or 3 questions or do them all!



2. Why is the story of the TT's greatest family so sad? Open up your Read All About It to find out.

# Writing Skills

'As fast as a speeding bullet'... TT Similes!

A good simile is **like** painting a picture with words (see what I did there?). It can bring a lot of colour to your writing! Similes either include 'as' or 'like' to compare something to something else!

#### 'As' simile examples

This bike should be **as clean as** a whistle.

The riders were **as brave as** lions.

Victory was **as sweet as** sugar!

### 'Like' simile examples

This engine runs **like** a dream. The riders dropped **like** flies. The tickets sold **like** hot cakes.



Write (at least one) creative sentence with 2 similes for each of the six TT pictures below!

Eq: The engine was as loud as a hurricane, and the motorbike sliced past the hedge like a sharp knife!













## **Spellings**

This week's spellings theme is words ending in 'ship'.

membership
hardship
flagship
championship
sponsorship
worship
craftmanship
partnership
relationship
ownership

Learn them, find out what they all mean, and organise your own test for Friday!

To help you learn them, maybe you can come up with sentences or stories that use the words!









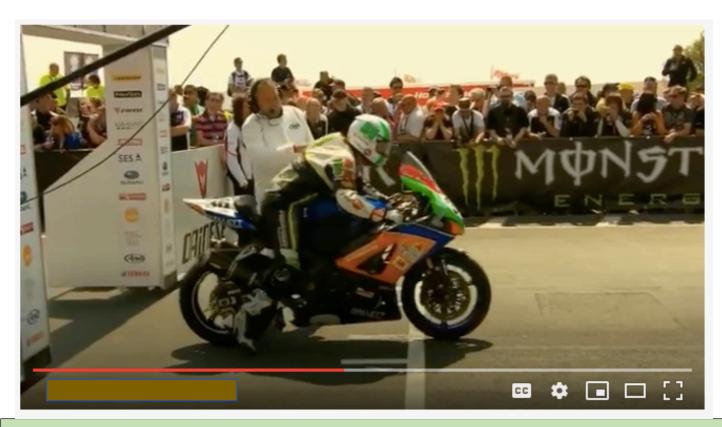
## The TT: 'Beyond Your Wildest Dreams'

Find the video on the HBN website:

https://hbn.sch.im/pages/index/view/id/38/Weekly%20Home%20Learning%20Packs

Or here in the Year 5 Google Drive Folder:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1w9Qi 4t1OSkZ1zjFfitopB4VAwxNU3ek



#### **Level One:**

1. At 2:00 minutes into the video, the TV presenter describes the racing as 'absolute lunacy'.

What do you think this means? Do think he is enjoying the race?

#### **Level Two:**

2. At 2:26 we see racer Cameron Donald at the start line, and hear him describe it.

How do you think he feels in this moment? Why do you think so?

#### **Level Three:**

3. At 0:59 seconds, we see Connor Cummins' dramatic crash, in the 2010 TT. He was helicoptered to hospital and survived. He even returned to race the TT course again the next year.

Would you return to the TT after a crash like that? Why/ why not?

## Read all about.... The amazing but tragic Dunlop family

Have you ever noticed that Douglas is 'twinned' with Ballymoney in Northern Ireland? That is because the Ballymoney is the home town of the TT's greatest – and saddest – family.

It all started with the legendary Joey Dunlop. Mr Brooks even had a poster of him in his room when he was at primary school! In his famous yellow helmet and Number 3 bike Joey won 26 TT races. In more than 110 years of the TT, no one has won more.

When he wasn't racing, he would fill his van with food and drive all the way to orphanages in Romania and Albania to donate it.

## A huge shock to the world

It was a big shock around the world when Joey was killed during a race in Europe in 2000. An incredible 50,000 people came to his funeral.

Joey had always raced with his brother, Robert. He was a skilful rider too, winning 3 TT races. Robert and his two sons Michael and William were devastated to lose their brother and uncle. But they loved motorcycle racing, and kept going together.

In 2008, Robert and his sons were all racing together at an event in Northern Ireland. During a practice, Robert had an engine problem and was sadly killed. Michael and William had now lost their uncle and their father in motorbike races.

#### An unbelievable response

They both decided to carry on with the event. Their friends and family tried to tell them it was too dangerous to race just two days after losing their dad. Instead, Michael went out and won the race.

In 2018, William pulled out of the TT so he could spend time with his wife and daughter. He was thinking about stopping motorcycle racing soon, but he entered a smaller race in Ireland. But tragically, oil leaked from his bike and he crashed and died, aged 32.

Everyone wondered what Michael would do, after suffering so much loss in his family. He did what he had always done, keep racing. In the 2019 TT, he sped past the statue of his Uncle Joey on Snaefell and won his 19<sup>th</sup> TT race.

Will Michael Dunlop stop while he is still healthy? Or will he return to the TT in 2021 to chase the all-time record of his uncle Joey?

Ask someone else in your house to read this too, and talk about what you both think of the story of the Dunlop family.



