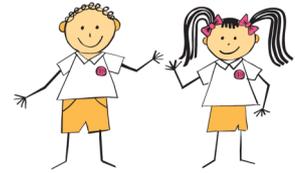




# FS & KS1 School

## Year 2 Newsletter

### Week 4 ~ 30th January 2020



**Theme:** *Wild Oceans and Open Seas*

**Science Topic:** *Living things and their habitats*

**Term 1.2 Learning Challenge:** *Who calls the sea their home?*

**Week 4 Learning Challenge Question:** Why do you think Earth is called the *Blue Planet*?

**CES Value Term 2.1 - Reflective**    **PSHE Theme Term 2.1: Dreams and Goals**



## Why is Earth called the Blue Planet?

We learnt that oceans and seas cover almost 70% of Earth's surface and the remaining 30% is covered with land. It means that almost 70% of Earth's surface appears blue from outer space and the leftover 30% looks greenish-brownish. This is the reason why Earth looks blue from outer space. We learnt the importance of the ocean as a habitat, home to plants and animals. We also learned how fragile it can be, especially when we allow rubbish to pollute it!



**How you can help with our Learning Challenge at home:** *Food Chain in the Ocean* activity sheet

### English ~ Suffixes

In spelling and grammar lessons we are learning to add word endings with the correct spelling to make new words. We know these word endings are called **suffixes**, and they can change words from nouns to adjectives and adverbs.

We learnt when **adding ~er and ~est** to words that end in 'e', we need to drop the 'e' first.

**cute + ~est = cutest**

We also drop the 'e' when **adding ~y** to a word, to make it an adjective. But, if the word ends in a consonant before a vowel, we double the final consonant.

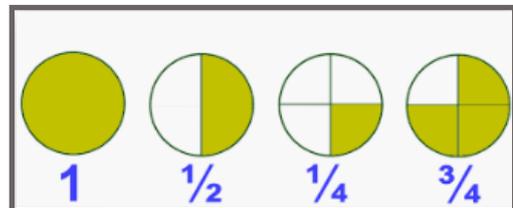
**noise + ~y = noisy**

**sun + ~y = sunny**

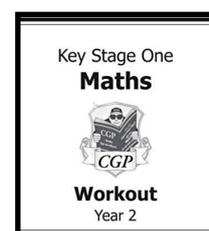
**Homework:**    **CGP Workbook page 36, Adding 'y'.** And practise your spelling list, making sure you can recognise the root word, before the suffix was added.

### Maths ~ Fractions

We have been exploring fractions of both shapes and amounts. We can identify  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of shapes and write the corresponding fraction. We can also find  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of amounts through known numbers facts (*doubling and halving*) and by sharing.

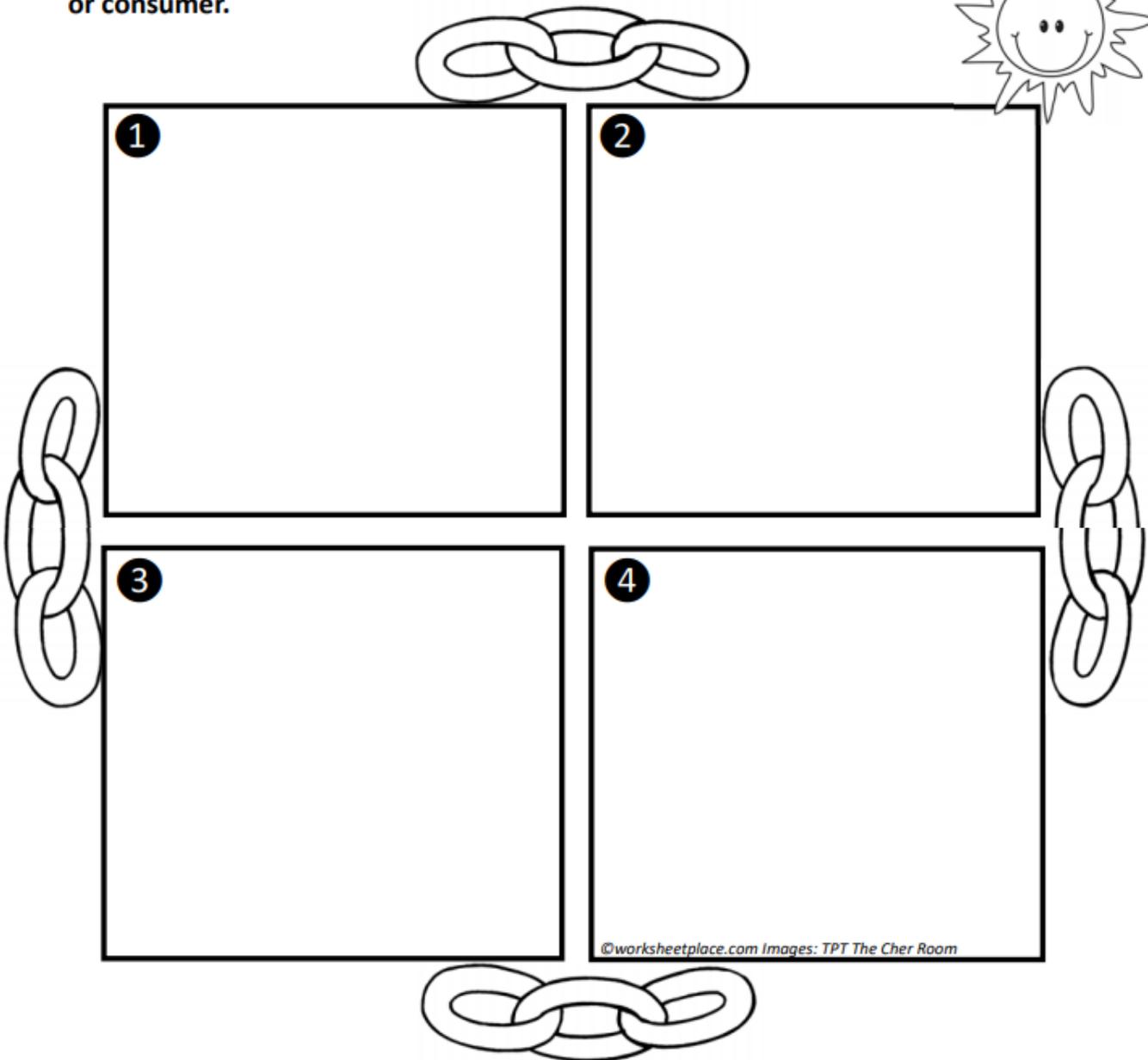
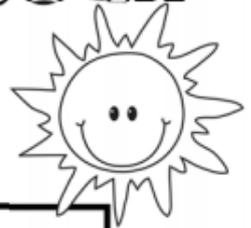


**Homework:** **CGP Maths Workout Book, page 17, 18, 19 Fractions**



# Food Chain in the Ocean

Cut out the pictures and glue them in order. Label each as a producer or consumer.



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<b>Fish</b> 	<b>Whale</b> 	<b>Seal</b> 	<b>Algae</b> 
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Adding the suffixes *-er* and *-est* to adjectives;  
drop the *'e'* if the word ends in *'e'* with a consonant before it

Words with *\** are Y2 common exception words which we need to learn to spell.

You can write the words once every night using the Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check method.

	Thursday	Weekend	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
greatest					
fastest					
smallest					
loudest					
smartest					
safer					
braver					
later					
nicer					
finer					