

## Year 8: Non-Fiction Key Information Sheet

### Non-Fiction Forms:

- Articles
- Newspaper articles
- Speeches
- Leaflets
- Autobiographies
- Letters
- Diaries
- Reviews
- Advertisements





#### **Key Non-Fiction Terms:**

Key Terms	<u>Definition</u>	
Fiction	Writing about imaginary people, places, and events.	
Non-Fiction	Writing about real people, places, and events.	
Purpose	The writer's intention or why a text has been written.	
Audience	The person or group of people that a text is written for.	
Perspective	A person's attitude or viewpoint of something.	
Fact	Information that is proven to be true.	
Opinion	A judgement or view on something.	
Rhetoric	Persuasive language.	

#### **Ambitious and Precise Words to Describe Writer's Perspective:**

Positive Perspective	Neutral Perspective	Negative Perspective
Amused	Persuasive	Aggressive
Humorous	Ironic	Anger
Empowered	Formal	Fear
Motivated	Informal	Critical

Proud	Detached	Sarcastic
Enthusiastic	Reflective	Concern
Sympathetic	Questioning	Serious
Inspired	Indifferent	Mournful
Compassionate	Opinionated	Ashamed
Supportive	Ambivalent	Regret

# **Structuring Persuasive Non-Fiction:**

When we write non-fiction, we use the following steps to structure our work.

Ethos	Using language to build trust with the audience.
Logos	Using facts and statistics to persuade the audience.
Pathos Using powerful language to make the audience feel certain emotions.	

# Persuasive Writing Techniques (APERSUADER)

	<u>Technique</u>	<u>Example</u>
А	Alliteration	These petulant promises to prevent
Р	Pronouns	Justifiably, we might argue that
Е	Exaggeration	A smouldering mountain of nonsense
R	Repetition	Never have I ever, never do I want to
S	Statistics	Surprisingly, 100% of Year 9 completed their homework
U	Unique Viewpoint and Ideas	It may surprise you to know that I myself
А	Anecdote	Yesterday, I met a family who
D	Direct Address	Have you ever felt like?
Е	Emotive Language	Thousand of abused and starving animals
R	Rhetorical Question	Do we really think it is likely that?

### Words to describe writer's purpose:

<u>Purpose</u>	Explanation	
Entertain	To amuse the reader	
Persuade	To influence and persuade the reader to adopt a certain opinion	
Advise	To help readers decide what to do	
Analyse	To break a topic or idea down to understand it better	
Argue	To make the case for something	
Describe	To give precise details about people, places, events etc	
Explain	To make clear how and why something has happened	
Inform	To tell the reader about something they don't know	
Instruct	To tell a reader how to do something	