

GRADE 5 LEARNING PACK

Typography, Readability & Tone

Use type size, weight, line length and spacing to support readability and tone.

LEARN • PRACTISE • CREATE • REFLECT

Original BrightPencil Kids resource - adult-led where appropriate

A4 edition • 12 purposeful pages • review copy

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Grown-up guide

Learning objective

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Use this pack well

- Model the first example aloud, then let the learner try.
- Ask “How do you know?” more often than “Are you finished?”.
- Use real objects, talk, movement or observation when the activity suggests it.
- Stop or shorten the session if attention or enjoyment drops.
- Open-ended pages can have many successful answers.

Quality note

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Learn the idea

1 Readable typography depends on more than choosing an attractive font.

2 Too many competing type styles weaken hierarchy.

3 Tone should suit audience and purpose without sacrificing clarity.

Talk about it

Explain one idea in your own words. Give an example from real life, a drawing or an object if that helps.

Build a clear model or organiser that shows: Readable typography depends on more than choosing an attractive font.

Use supplied evidence to test this idea: Too many competing type styles weaken hierarchy.

Compare two cases and explain where this principle matters: Tone should suit audience and purpose without sacrificing clarity.

Find one weak claim or assumption and revise it so it matches the evidence.

Write a short conclusion that states evidence, limitation and next question.

Try it beyond the page

Real-world / hands-on connection

Inspect an adult-selected public sign or leaflet for type hierarchy.

Before you finish

What did you notice?

What evidence, object or example helped you?

What would you change if you tried again?

Create something

Your project

Create two versions of the same notice: friendly informal and formal informational, both readable.

Use this space for planning, drawing, mapping, designing or notes.

CHALLENGE

Think deeper

1. What affects readability besides font choice?

2. Should every heading use a different style?

3. Can tone change while information stays accurate?

Quick review

1. In one sentence, explain the big idea of “Typography, Readability & Tone”.

2. Draw or write one example that shows you understand.

3. Choose one activity from this pack and explain the strategy you used.

4. Write one question you still have.

Answer & discussion notes

Use these as guidance, not scripts. Open questions can have different successful responses when the reasoning is sensible and evidence-based.

1. Suggested response

Size, spacing, line length, contrast and hierarchy.

2. Suggested response

No.

3. Suggested response

Yes.

Review before publication

Check age fit, factual accuracy, clarity, accessibility, rights provenance and whether the activity works in practice. This file remains a review copy until those checks are signed off.

FINISH

My learning reflection

I finished this BrightPencil learning pack.

One thing I understand better now:

A strategy that helped me:

Something I created or noticed:

My next small question or goal:

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