2nd theme: Imagination

Axis: Utopia and dystopia

Entire novella: Animal Farm by George Orwell

A warning = un avertissement, une prevention

Novlangue = Newspeak

Newspeak = empty language

Éléments de language = elements of the language

Albert Camus:

***“À mal nommer les objets on ajoute aux malheur du monde”***

Props = elements on stage

Ignorance keeps you happy while experience leads to disappointment and unhappiness.

To coin = to invent

Gilead = Galaad

Handmaid = la servante

Barren = Stéril

Aunt = tante

Pristine = unstained, brand new

Anthropomorphism = giving human traits, features, feelings to animals

A kettle = la bouilloire

the cattle = le bétail

cornucopia = la corne d’abondance

frames = une vignette, une case (de BD)

possible stories that can be evoked for utopia and dystopia:

Toy story

Alice in Wonderland

E.T.

Ted

Peter Pan

The good place

Black Mirror - Nosedive

Land of C:

Medieval poem (14thC)

No death, No rain, No wind

Abundance: food/clothes

Cornucopia

Garden of Eden

Imagine:

1971, song by John Lennon

Real world in which human problems would be solved by humans with love, unity, will (anti-religion)

Comic strip on imagine: (by Pablo Stanley)

Illustration of the song

Modern references to conflicts (US vs Afghanistan, Israel vs Palestinian territories)

6 historical figures 4 of whom were murdered

Animal farm: George Orwell

Characters (main ones)

Land/location

Time

The handmade still = la servante écarlate

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/3khm559bytzz2a3/AAB57NpBCMJANH5TZUx1PAqDa?dl=0>

An anaphora = une anaphore

A chorus = un refrain

Striking = frappan

Emphasis = emphase

Emphasis = use the same lexical field of words repeated.

A competitive exam = un concours

To raise people’s awareness = sensibiliser

To raise one’s awareness = sensibiliser

Stout = strong, robust

Trustworthy = that inspires confidence

To be steady = to be balanced

Inuendo = sous entendu

Major = high military rank

To lurch = tituber, to be unsteady

Anthropomorphism = giving human traits, features, feelings to animals

Alcoholic = drinks a lot of alcohol

Incompetent = does not have the skills to do a job

Careless = to not mind about something

An arrow = symbol “🡪”, une flèche

Violent = violent

Afraid = scared

Highly regarded = to be very respected, admired

Revolution:

* A leader needs charisma, to be a good orator
* Followers (blindly adhering to the cause
* Utopia

To side with = prendre party pour quelqu’un

The backbone = the spine

A diary = un journal intime

To be botched =

A poll = un sondage

A needle/pin in a haystack = trouver une aiguille dans une botte de foin

Introduction:

* Present all the doc
* Key question
* Structure (2 parts)

Structure/Development:

* State which idea will be analysed at the beginning of each paragraph.
* (r)(/r)

Conclusion:

* To what extent is there such a thing when dealing with human traits and appearances?
* Summary of the ideas
* Answer the key question
* Open up on other question, other cultural element

2 flips/sides of the same coin

Road to Wogan Rio (1937) miners in England, the French version is Germinal from emil-zola.

Covid 19 = corona virus

Deformity = déformité

Laughed at

Vegetable+animals

A loaf = un miche

Fungous = mushroom

A cauliflower = choux-fleur

A radish = un radis

A root = une racine

Neck of a lizard = le coup d’un lésard

A stench = a horrible smell

It is matter of factly = the way the reader interprets and jugs the characters

Dismay = disillusionment

Port-manteau word

Brunch

Motel

Dismaland

Watch the film: THE TRUMAN SHOW

Entertainment park = un park de loisirs

Bemusement park = parc bemusement

Condemn

Viertual classes started: link: <https://zoom.us/j/118317295>

Vidoe to watch : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JlH6RgTV5xk&list=PLz_ZtyOWL9BSJjEDWJlSJLN_t-Nxv01m6>

Allegory

Russian Revolution Of the proletariat

Stalin, Lenin, Trotsky = pigs

Note Box

Animals take things in their own “hands”

Men gave up whipping the animals

Men are now being beaten up

Animals finally take control of the farm

Break on their chains literally

Destroy all the symbols of man oppression.

1)a)

To unfold a story

Time markers

Just then, the next moment, suddenly

A minute later

Rapidity

Happening very fast

Swiftness

Action verbs

Broke in, help themselves

Sprang

Slammed

Rapid change of situation

Mr Jones cannot prevent

To stop

1)b)

Accumulation of action verbs

Adverbs of speed

Juxtaposition of short clauses

(clause=proposition)

Comma=virgule

2)

Loss (nun)

To lose

a)

Farmers are lazy, they are drinking

They neglect their duties

Complete negligence on the farmers part

b)

Mr. Jones sleeps all day

Lazy, drinks too much

Boss

Leader but absent

He is an absentee, negligent farmer/boss

He is flawed

A flaw = a defect

c)

Passive form

Farmers are passive

Spectators

The farmers are nt the subject but the object of the rebellion

They are Powerless

3)

Past Perfect

Tense expresses the past of a past

Action

Plus que parfait

Unherard of

Unprecedented situation

Calm farm

Highlighted

“before”

Smooth

l.13 used to

break between the past and the present, reinforces the revolutionary aspect of the situation

4)

a)3

b)2

c)5

d)6

e)1

f)7

g)8

h)4

**Dystopian elements of confinement during Covid-19**

1. The fact of being forced to stay home!
2. We cannot sustain normal human relationships (cannot meet friend, family, we cannot touch, shake hands, kiss, …)
3. Not being able to enjoy the sunny weather.
4. The government is limiting/restricting our liberties.:
   1. Laws were enacted/voted during confinement so that the population could not protest (the fact that people will have to work more after confinement).
   2. The population must fill a paper to go out.
   3. You can be controlled by the police at any time.
   4. Time out and movement are limited 1hr and 1km.
5. Limit to consumerism/capitalism: you can only buy first necessity goods (food, …)
6. Gloomy atmosphere on the streets (empty, sad, in spite of the sunny weather!)
7. Nature is taking its place back again (animals running in the streets, water in rivers is clean, cleaner air, stars can bee seen again, lesser pollution!!!!!):
   1. Utopian elements in our dystopia
8. Unemployment (people are not able to work normally anymore: dirty streets…)/Lack of revenue (some people cannot make money, …)
9. Distortion of the notion of time (we lose track of time: an hour is not an hour…)
10. Uncertainty of the future (what comes next? What about summer vacation? Will we have our past life again?)
11. Imagination is roaming free (we have time to think and imagine, we have dreams!)
12. Computers have become our only window to freedom (school, movie, shopping, relationship, …)
13. (Vacation was a difficult time to go through without activities…)
14. (Confinement is changing our habits: not getting dressed differently every day, eating habits, …)

Doppelganger = two sides of a person, angel/devil that have the same DNA, Body, …

Grammar:

A thing = which

Person = who/whom

The girl who is sitting next to me is blond.

who + V

The girl whom I told you about is blond.

Whom + S + V

When you don’t know = that

Analysed picture: Elizabeth Elkford’s photographs

Elizabeth Eckford and Hazel Bryan, September 4th, 1957

Ernest Green 🡪 Martin Luther King attended the graduation.

Elizabeth Eckford and Hazel Bryan, September 4th, 1957

1997 (4 years after the event) 🡪 to celebrate the anniversary of the LR9

🡪 “Reconciliation” photograph

🡪 Oprah Winfrey’s show invited them

Back in 1993:

Rosa parks: Bill Clinton invited Rosa parks to his inauguration, one woman was sitting next to her, daisy baits. He was honouring them for their fight.

1999: (Bill Clinton)

He gave Rosa parks the presidential medal of freedom

Gave Elisabeth E.E, all of the LR9, the Congressional Gold Medal

Bill Clinton was sitting in the same office as the racist Mair of little rock.

Elizabeth still takes five pills a day due to post traumatic syndrome

A few years ago, she also lost her son on December 31rst, got killed by the police, because he had a gun and was shooting in the air, probably drunk.

New Story:

1968:

Segregation finished in 1964-5

put an end to segregation.

April 1968: Martin Luther King is assassinated

May 1968: students protest in France

June 1968: another important white man is assassinated again for running presidential and trying to help black writes

October 1968= Olympic Games in Mexico City

Tommy smith, John Carlos, Peter Norman where the winners