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## ENGLISH

Quarries can provide useful starting point for English and Language work.

Reflecting on a visit will stimulate a wide range of words.

These can be random and arise spontaneously.

They can be written on the whiteboard as a class activity or on individual whiteboards or paper.

They can be structured into adjectives and adverbs, nouns and verbs.

Feelings and impressions can be expressed through adjectives and adverbs.

Objects, people and things can be expressed through nouns.

Actions and doing words use verbs.

These words can be put into sentences to describe the experience.

Photographs of the visit can be selected to create a framework for the story

(See EXAMPLE PHOTOGRAPHS)

They can be used for poems – such as rhyming pairs and haikus.

Some examples follow:

These words can also be used for movement and dance. (SEE EXAMPLE MOVEMENT AND DANCE)

The rhythms of the words can be used to structure musical phrases.



## REFLECTIONS FROM CLAPHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Reflection on quarry visit

Put words into 3 categories: nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs

Adjectives/adverbs	Verbs	Nouns
huge	smashing	rock/s
vast	signalling	mud
incredible	crushing	conveyor belt
dusty	digging	diggers
gigantic	moving	dust
rocky	lifting	gritstone
surprising	riding	dumpers
muddy	scooping	water
old	crumbling	limestone
squelchy	excavating	wheels
spectacular	falling	boulders
amazing	loading	Tarmac
inspiring	walking	machines
fun	tipping	greywacke
cold	driving	men
steep	weighing	control room
massive	exploding	hats
slimy	drilling	grass
noisy	blowing	plants
huge	living	animals
fascinating	crashing	walkie-talkie
high viz	flying	(high viz) jacket
hard	crunching	lagoon
orange	shining	buildings
cool	reflecting	fossils
gaping	scurrying	holes
brightly	nesting	crusher
heavy	gaping	truck

## HAIKUS – including Haikus from CLAPHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Select words from the lists of nouns, verbs, adjectives to make a haiku. Additional words have been added.

Line 1 5 syllables

Line 2 7 syllables

Line 3 5 syllables – this must be a contrasting or surprising idea

exploding huge rocks loading up different stones animals living	the mud was squelchy cold and big fun boulders driving big diggers	amazing boulders incredible drilling holes control room waiting
gigantic gritstone exploding all directions steep cliffs remaining	there are big machines the explosions are really cool big tippers they drive	rocks crashing falling excavators gaping holes rare birds flying by
smashing crumbling inspiring digging machines spectacular wheels	slimy mud is fun massive crunching signalling tipping drilling men	diggers and dump trucks crushers sieves conveyors sun shining brightly
men driving large trucks orange clothes and heavy boots lagoon reflects sky	insects scurrying trees and grass blown by the wind surprising fossils	danger rocks water noisy trucks and crashing rocks birds nest in rock piles

