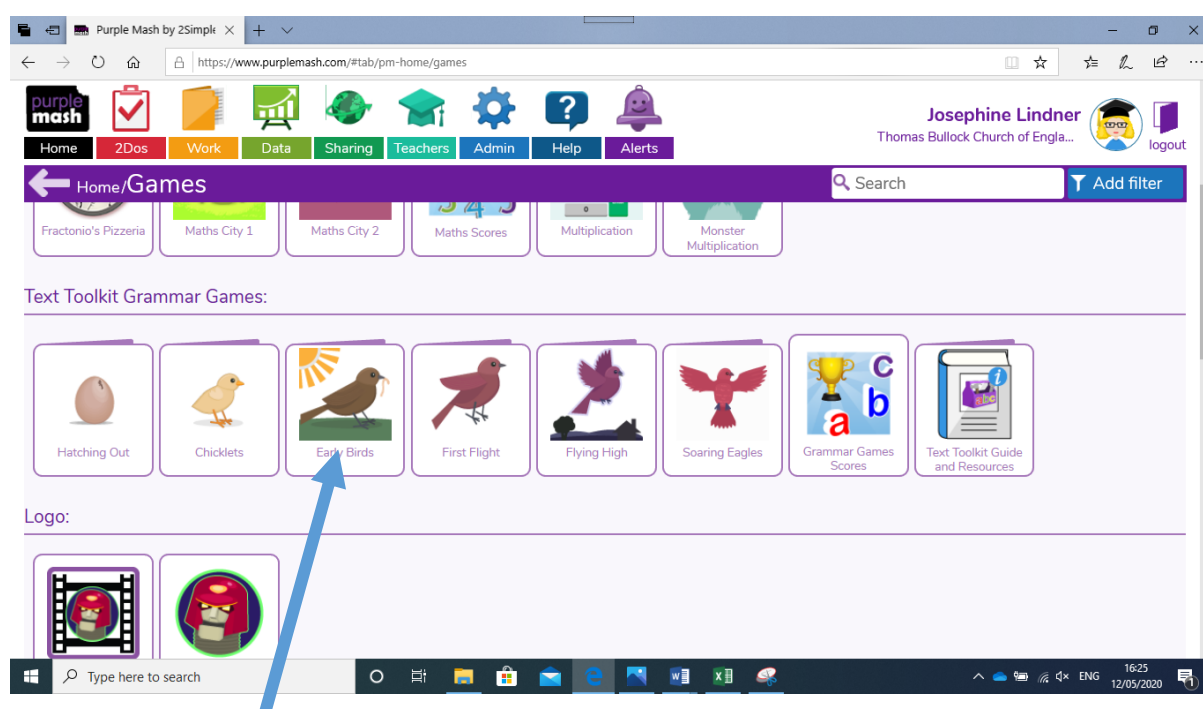


Grammar Games

1. Find the Text Toolkit grammar games in the Games section of Purple Mash.
2. These games increase in difficulty and were created using a tool in Purple Mash called Text Toolkit. This is in the Tools area of Purple Mash.
3. Text Toolkit contains five different tools for making grammar games. The ones that you will be using for this lesson are called Word Spot and Cloze.
4. To understand what you can make with these tools, it is useful to look at the existing games.
5. Open Purple Mash, select games, and then scroll down a little until you see the section Text Toolkit Grammar Games. The screen looks like this:



In the Early Birds level, open the **Fox and the Hen** game. This was made using the Word Spot tool. The game has a paragraph and players need to sort the words into the correct boxes before the time runs out. Once all the words have been sorted, ticks and crosses indicate whether the answers were correct, and they can amend incorrect answers if they have time. Once Level 1 has been completed successfully, there is another level that continues the story.

6. Have a go at playing this game to see how tricky it is.
7. Word Spot is not just for sorting words into nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs; it can be used in other ways.
8. Now look at the game **Word Families**, which was also made using the Word Spot tool, this time to work out root words and explore their prefixes and suffixes.
9. Next open the game **Superhero Shopping Trip**, which uses the Cloze tool.

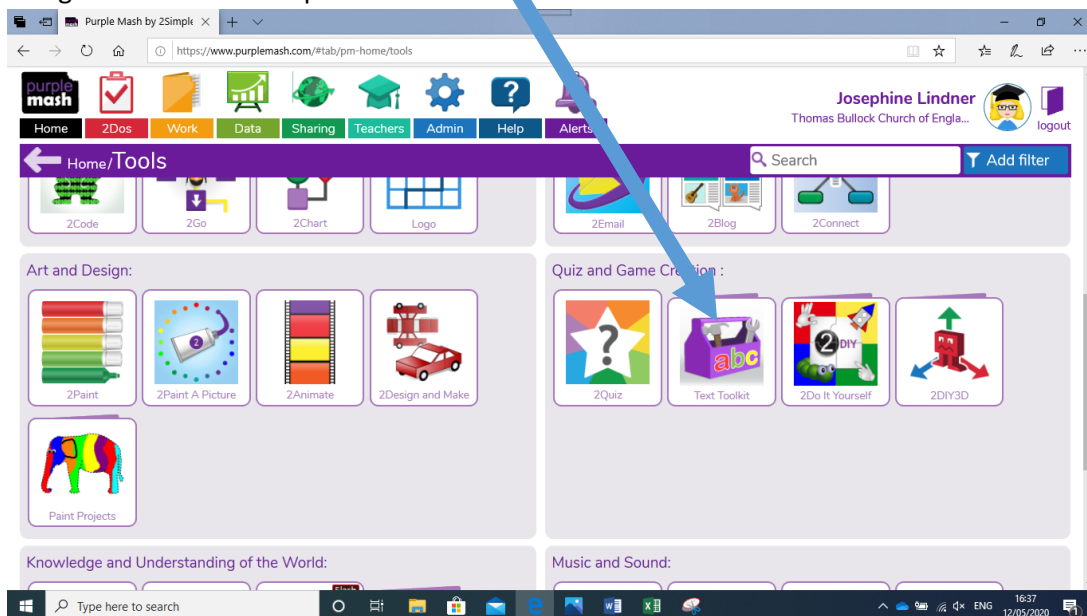
10. In this case, the aim is to add prefixes to make the sentences make sense. You can also use it for whole words like in Alien Time or for punctuation like in Mark Wants Chicken.

11. Look at the Hatching Out games Sam and Pat Play Ball and Ned and the Wolf for some more simple examples.

THIS WORK IS FOR NEXT WEEK AS WELL, SO YOU CAN FINISH HERE FOR THIS WEEK IF YOU LIKE, OR CARRY ON IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO!

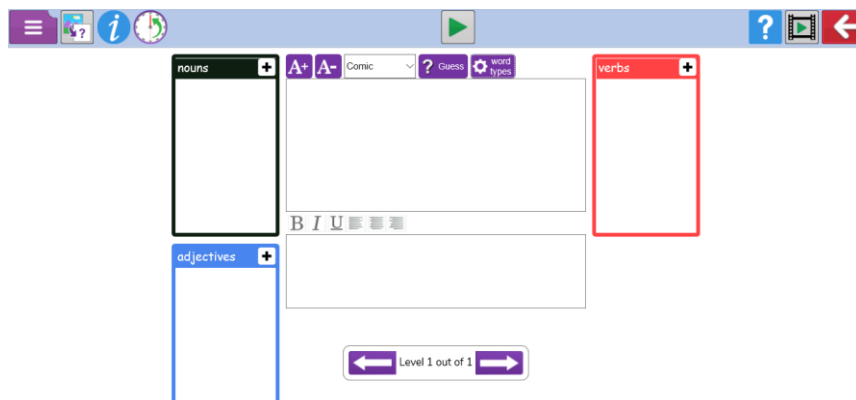
Once you have had some time to explore some of the games, you can now move on to how to make a game.

13. Go back to your home screen and open the TOOLS area. Then scroll down until you reach quiz and game creation and open Text Toolkit.



Then select **Word Spot**.

14. The screen you get will look like this:



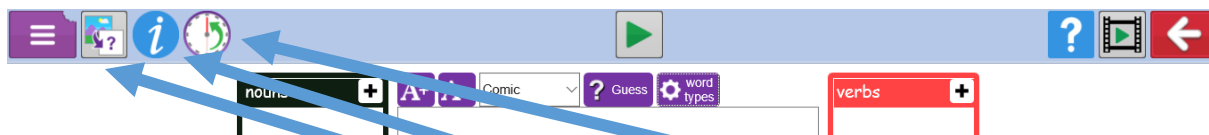
15. In the main white box, type the sentence, 'The fish and chips were delicious', then click on the '? Guess' button and the computer will try to sort the words for you as best as it can. Sometimes the computer gets it wrong, so double check that it has sorted the words correctly! If something isn't right, to add a word to a box, highlight it in the sentence by double-clicking on it and click on the plus symbol of the box you want to add it to.

16. The font type and size can be altered as required.

17. You can add instructions for how to play the game by typing in the box at the bottom.

18. To add a new level, click on the right-hand level arrow. Now come up with a sentence or two of your own on any topic you like and make this into level 2.

19. Other game options are selected using the buttons in the toolbar at the top:



20. To add background images and colours:

21. To add a title screen and sounds for correct answers and the end of the game:

22. To set the time limit:

23. Save your game and then I can share it to a display board. You can test your own games by clicking the Play button at the top of the screen.

24. Now have a go at making a Cloze game too. Use the video icon in the top right hand corner to see instructions for how to do this.

25. Adding levels, instructions and changing the look of the game with backgrounds etc. is done in the same way as for Word Spot games.