Teaching notes

This resource, Short story – The necklace, is designed to support Digital Education Revolution – NSW (DER-NSW) program. The resources and tasks are aimed at supporting student use of the DER-NSW laptops in both online and offline classroom environments.

If you have difficulty viewing this resource on the DER-NSW laptop screens you can switch your web browser to full screen mode. With your web browser open press F11 to switch between normal and full screen mode.

For more detailed support on how to use the DER-NSW laptop software referred to in this resource please visit the TaLe Tools+ site. If you have a Department of Education and Training portal identity visit www.tale.edu.au > log in to the Secondary section > Tools+ is a link in the top right of the page. If not, visit the Parents & community section of TaLe and choose the quick link to DER-NSW laptop resources on the right side of the page.

This resource is part of a series designed to support students in Stage 5 English. Short stories are usually written to entertain the reader, but often teach lessons as well. The Necklace was written by French writer Guy de Maupassant in 1884. It deals with themes that are still relevant today: self-deception, appearances can be deceptive and the foolishness of vanity.

Explore – provides a link to The Necklace. Students can read the story and also listen to it being read aloud. The Necklace is part of a CLI resource Short Stories (NSW DET only). Those with a DET login can access Short Stories on TaLe by searching by its title or number 5386.

Tasks – students can click on either the icons or the hyperlinked text to view each task in a pop-up window.

Students read The Necklace and then write a diary entry as one of the characters from the story, then they post their work to a blog. You will have to set up a class blog before the students can start blogging.

A great place to set up a class blog is through Edublogs, http://edublogs.org/. This site also contains various video tutorials to guide you through setting up a blog. Another blogging site is www.edmodo.com/ which is a free microblogging site for education.

For more information on blogging visit the TaLe Tools+ blogging section.

Students compose a digital story based on one or more of the themes of The Necklace set in a modern context. They use Adobe Premiere Elements to compose their digital story. They use a storyboard to help them plan their work and a digital story plan to help them prepare their story.
Teacher resources

Resources available on TaLe (NSW DET only)

- **Short stories** looks at four short stories as well as supporting students to compose their own short story. Search on TaLe by title or by number: 5386.

- **Her Grandmother's harpsichord** by Josephine Rowe is a short story written in second person. Search for this story on TaLe by its title or by number: R9527

Other resources

These websites provide information on composing digital stories:


Quality teaching

This resource supports students to:

- develop deep knowledge and understanding of the language of narrative
- use the metalanguage associated with narrative
- integrate knowledge by making meaningful connections between texts.