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# Level 3 Collection 2

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## Christian Option

This collection contains 12 weeks - 5 exercises per week:

**Poetry:** Poems by William Wordsworth and Henry Longfellow

**Scripture:** Excerpts from Romans 12 and Christ's Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5. (All text is NRSV translation)

**Literature:** Excerpts from *Young Robin Hood* by George Manville Fenn

**Quotations:** Excerpts from Winston Churchill's speech to the UK Parliament on 4 June 1940 during World War Two

**Shakespeare:** Excerpts from *Romeo and Juliet*

Exercises are designed to take an average of 10 minutes.  
They vary in length to provide variety of challenge.

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## Writer Spotlight

### Winston Churchill

In this collection you will write excerpts from a speech by Winston Churchill who was the British Prime Minister during World War Two. This famous speech given to Parliament on 4 June 1940 is commonly known as 'Fight Them on the Beaches.'



### William Wordsworth

William Wordsworth was born in England in 1770. He became a famous poet of what has been called 'English Romanticism.' Wordsworth studied at Cambridge University and was awarded the honour of poet laureate in 1843.



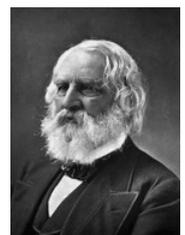
### George Manville Fenn

G. M. Fenn was an English novelist, journalist and teacher, born in 1831. In this collection you will copy excerpts from his book *Young Robin Hood*, which imagines what the early years of Robin Hood's life might have been like.



### Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

H. W. Longfellow was an American poet who lived between 1807 and 1882. He was considered by many to be the most popular poet of his day. He was also a university professor and was celebrated for translating the *Divine Comedy* (an Italian poem) into English.



### *Romeo and Juliet*

In this collection you will copy quotes from the play *Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare. This play is a tragedy about a young man and a young woman who fall in love and want to marry, but their families are enemies. The play is set in a town called Verona in Italy. Some of the language and spelling is different to what we write nowadays, but don't worry, just copy what you see.

**Always read the whole passage through before you start writing: it will help you to understand what you are writing and to appreciate it more.**

## Exercise One - Poetry

### Daffodils (2 stanzas)

By William Wordsworth

I wandered lonely as a cloud  
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,  
When all at once I saw a crowd,  
A host, of golden daffodils;  
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,  
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine  
And twinkle on the milky way,  
They stretched in never-ending line  
Along the margin of a bay:  
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,  
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

## Exercise Two - Quotation

Winston Churchill - 1940

*"When, a week ago today, I asked the House to fix this afternoon as the occasion for a statement, I feared it would be my hard lot to announce the greatest military disaster in our long history. I thought - and some good judges agreed with me - that perhaps 20,000 or 30,000 men might be re-embarked. But it certainly seemed that the whole of the French First Army and the whole of the British Expeditionary Force north of the Amiens-Abbeville gap would be broken up in the open field or else would have to capitulate for lack of food and ammunition."*



**Exercise Three - Scripture**

Romans 12 v 1 - 2

**1** I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. **2** Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

**Exercise Four - Literature**

Young Robin Hood

*It is not nice to be pitched by a man off a horse's back on to the top of your head. That is what young Robin thought as he sat up and rubbed the place, looking very rueful and sad. But he did not seem to be entirely alone there in the dense forest, for there was another young robin, with large eyes and a speckled jacket, sitting upon a twig and watching him intently. Robin could think of nothing but himself, his aching head, and his scratches, some of which were bleeding. Then he listened, and fancied that he heard shouting, with the trampling of mules and the breaking of twigs.*

### Exercise Five - Shakespeare

#### Romeo and Juliet - Prologue

Two households, both alike in dignity,  
In fair Verona, where we lay our scene,  
From ancient grudge break to new mutiny,  
Where civil blood makes civil hands unclean.  
From forth the fatal loins of these two foes  
A pair of star-cross'd lovers take their life;  
Whose misadventured piteous overthrows  
Do with their death bury their parents' strife.



### Exercise One - Scripture

#### Romans 12 v 3 - 5

**3** For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. **4** For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, **5** so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.

## Week 2







## Exercise Two - Scripture

Romans 12 v 9 - 13

**9** Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; **10** love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. **11** Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. **12** Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. **13** Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

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## Exercise Three - Quotation

Winston Churchill - 1940

*"Meanwhile, the Royal Navy, with the willing help of countless merchant seamen, strained every nerve to embark the British and Allied troops; 220 light warships and 650 other vessels were engaged. They had to operate upon the difficult coast, often in adverse weather, under an almost ceaseless hail of bombs and an increasing concentration of artillery fire. Nor were the seas, as I have said, themselves free from mines and torpedoes. It was in conditions such as these that our men carried on, with little or no rest, for days and nights on end, making trip after trip across the dangerous waters, bringing with them always men whom they had rescued."*

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## Exercise One - Poetry

### A Complaint (2 stanzas)

By William Wordsworth

There is a change—and I am poor;  
Your love hath been, nor long ago,  
A fountain at my fond heart's door,  
Whose only business was to flow;  
And flow it did; not taking heed  
Of its own bounty, or my need.

What happy moments did I count!  
Blest was I then all bliss above!  
Now, for that consecrated fount  
Of murmuring, sparkling, living love,  
What have I? Shall I dare to tell?  
A comfortless and hidden well.

## Exercise Two - Quotation

Winston Churchill - 1940

*"This was a great trial of strength between the British and German Air Forces. Can you conceive a greater objective for the Germans in the air than to make evacuation from these beaches impossible, and to sink all these ships which were displayed, almost to the extent of thousands? Could there have been an objective of greater military importance and significance for the whole purpose of the war than this? They tried hard, and they were beaten back; they were frustrated in their task."*

**Exercise Three - Scripture**

Romans 12 v 14 - 18

**14** Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. **15** Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. **16** Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. **17** Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. **18** If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

**Exercise Four - Literature**

Young Robin Hood

*Robin stood, hot, excited, and panting; the herd-boy threw himself down on his chest, rested his chin upon his hands, as he stared fiercely at Robin, and kicked his feet up and down; while the pigs roamed here and there, nuzzling the fallen acorns out from the bracken, and crunching them up loudly. Robin wanted to run, and he did not want to run, and all at the same time, for his strongest desire just then was to fight his tyrant; and for some minutes neither spoke.*

