

# Autumn 2

## Broad Horizons

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**Broad horizons. Confident leaders.**



**"Make it possible."**



### Tenacity

We promote **honesty**, **responsibility**, **perseverance** and **resilience**.  
We hold everyone to the same **high standard**, so that everyone **achieves**.



**"Look after each other."**



### Empathy

We value **family** and **community**.  
We promote **inclusivity**, **manners**, **gratitude** and **respect**,  
celebrate and appreciate **diversity**, and instil the **courage**  
to do what is **right**, not what is easy.



**"Be the best you can be."**



### Aspiration

We instil **confidence** and **ambition**, and promote  
**purpose**, **passion**, **pride** and **independence**.  
We strive for  
**100% effort, 100% of the time**.



**"Every moment matters."**



### Motivation

We teach that **every day is a chance to be better**  
than we were the day before.  
**Personal and collective success** is the incentive, and everyone  
will be **celebrated** for being the **best version of themselves**.

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# Broad Horizons

## Why do we set this homework?

This homework is unique to Saltash Community School and has been created by your teachers just for you! The vocabulary, questions and extended writing tasks all aim to help you practise the essential skills needed to be a successful student, and support all areas of the curriculum.

Our school vision is "Broad Horizons. Confident Leaders." This is what we want for each of you when you leave us at the end of year 13.

We have chosen this vision carefully and it shapes everything we do for you- it's why we have our TEAM values and help you to develop the leadership traits within.

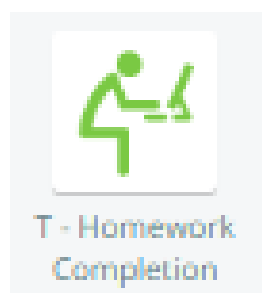
## Why 'Broad Horizons'?

The term "broad horizons" evokes a sense of vastness, openness, and limitless possibilities. It suggests a worldview that extends beyond the immediate and familiar, embracing a wider range of experiences, perspectives, and cultures. Essentially, it is about expanding one's mental horizons, breaking free from limitations, and embracing the diversity of the world. Broaden your horizons and you will in turn gain *cultural capital*: a form of knowledge that will grant you access to opportunities and networks. This can lead to greater success in education, careers, and personal relationships, and can significantly enhance your quality of life.

## What do I do with this homework?

On a Thursday in tutor time, your tutor will introduce the article for the week, and together you will look at the words and definitions in the key vocabulary table. At home, you will be expected to read the article, answer the comprehension questions (in FULL sentences) and then complete an extended piece of creative writing. If you are absent or late for Thursday tutor, you must still complete this homework, including the vocabulary.

On Mondays, your tutor will check your booklet in line-up. You will be given points for both completion and effort, which can earn you two points per week. Consistently good work will earn you even more points! If you have not completed your homework, or if you forget / lose your booklet, you will receive a negative point and you will be expected to complete it for the next day. Don't forget that x3 negatives for homework mean you will be expected to attend a Friday detention after school, where we will help you to catch up. Come and see a member of staff at any time on Thursday or Friday if you need help or get stuck, or send your tutor an email. We are always here to help!



Learning new things is exciting and gaining knowledge makes you a more interesting person . We hope that you enjoy the articles within this booklet, and that it ignites an interest in the wider world that will last you a lifetime.

# The case of Derek Bentley



The Derek Bentley case remains one of the most **controversial** and **tragic episodes** in 20th-century British legal history. It centred on the execution of a 19-year-old man for a murder committed by his 16-year-old **accomplice**, **sparking** decades of public **outcry** and ultimately influencing the **abolition** of capital punishment in the UK.

On the night of 2nd November 1952, Derek Bentley, who had a learning disability and a mental age of around 11, and his friend Christopher Craig, broke into a Croydon warehouse. They were quickly discovered by police. During the **ensuing confrontation** on the rooftop, Craig, armed with a revolver, shot and killed Police Constable Sidney Miles. **Crucially**, before the fatal shot, Bentley had **allegedly** shouted, "Let him have it, Chris!" – a phrase that became central to the **prosecution's** case.

Despite the fact that Craig, a minor, could not be sentenced to death, and that Bentley did not fire the gun, both were charged with murder under the **doctrine** of "common enterprise." At their trial, the jury convicted both. Craig was sentenced to detention "at Her Majesty's pleasure," but Bentley received the mandatory death sentence. Despite widespread appeals for **clemency**, including a petition signed by over 200 MPs, Bentley was hanged on 28th January 1953.

The execution ignited a fierce public debate about the fairness of the justice system and the **morality** of capital punishment. A long and tenacious campaign by Bentley's family eventually led to a **posthumous** Royal Pardon in 1993, and, more significantly, his murder conviction was finally quashed by the Court of Appeal in 1998. The case stands as a stark reminder of the complexities of legal responsibility and a pivotal moment in the evolution of British criminal justice.

<b>Controversial</b>	Giving rise or likely to give rise to public disagreement.
<b>Tragic</b>	Causing or characterised by extreme distress or sorrow.
<b>Episodes</b>	An event or a group of events occurring as part of a larger sequence.
<b>Accomplice</b>	A person who helps another commit a crime.
<b>Sparking</b>	Igniting or causing (a reaction or development).
<b>Outcry</b>	A strong public expression of protest or disapproval.
<b>Abolition</b>	The act of officially ending or stopping something.
<b>Ensuing</b>	Occurring afterwards or as a result.
<b>Confrontation</b>	A hostile or argumentative meeting or situation between opposing parties.
<b>Crucially</b>	In a way that is of decisive importance.
<b>Allegedly</b>	Used to convey that something is claimed to be the case or have taken place, although there is no proof.
<b>Prosecution</b>	The institution and conducting of legal proceedings against someone in respect of a criminal charge.
<b>Doctrine</b>	A belief or set of beliefs held and taught by a Church, political party, or other group.
<b>Clemency</b>	Mercy; lenience.
<b>morality</b>	The principles concerning the distinction between right and wrong
<b>Posthumous</b>	Occurring, awarded, or appearing after the death of the originator.

•What were the key circumstances of the crime that led to Derek Bentley's arrest and trial?

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•What specific phrase, allegedly uttered by Bentley, became central to the prosecution's case, and why was it significant?

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•Despite not firing the fatal shot and being a minor, why was Christopher Craig not sentenced to death, while Derek Bentley was?

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•What were the long-term outcomes of the Derek Bentley case, both in terms of his personal conviction and its broader impact on British law?

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# The Legend of Jan Tregeagle



Among the **myriad** of Cornish folklore, few figures are as **enduring** and tragic as Jan Tregeagle. This **notorious** character, often depicted as a cruel and corrupt **steward** from the 17th century, who made a **Faustian pact** with the devil, is said to have committed numerous wicked deeds during his lifetime. Tales recount his ruthless defrauding of the poor, the manipulation of wills, and even the horrific act of murdering his wife to conceal his illicit gains. Such was his **depravity** that, upon his death, his **malevolent** spirit found no rest, becoming **eternally** bound to a series of impossible and tormenting tasks across the rugged Cornish landscape.

The most famous of Tregeagle's punishments involves him endlessly bailing out Dozmary Pool on Bodmin Moor with a holed limpet shell. This **Sisyphean** task is a direct **consequence** of his earthly sins, ensuring he can never escape his torment, as the water constantly flows back in through the hole. Other tasks see him condemned to clear the sand from the mouth of the River Fowey using only a sieve, a **futile endeavour** as the **relentless** tide constantly brings more in, or him being chased by demons to Roche Rock, a striking granite outcrop near St Austell, where he sought refuge in a chapel, only to be dragged back to his torment. The final account tells of him being pursued to Nanjizel Bay near Land's End, where he was forced to spin ropes from the sand, a task as impossible as it was unending. His desperate wails are said to be heard echoing across the moors and **estuaries** during storms, a chilling reminder of his **perpetual** suffering.

Even today, the name Jan Tregeagle evokes a shiver among locals, a testament to the enduring power of Cornish myths and the landscape that continues to whisper tales of its tormented past. The legend also serves as a potent cautionary tale, reflecting a historical fear of corruption and injustice, and the deeply held belief that evil deeds will ultimately be met with eternal **retribution**.



<b>Myriad</b>	A countless or extremely great number of people or things.
<b>Enduring</b>	Lasting over a long period of time; continuing.
<b>Notorious</b>	Famous or well known for some bad quality or deed.
<b>Steward</b>	A person who manages another's property or financial affairs.
<b>Faustian pact</b>	a deal where someone sacrifices something of great moral or spiritual value, like their integrity or soul, for worldly gains such as power, knowledge, or riches. The term originates from the German legend of Faust, a scholar who makes a pact with the devil.
<b>Depravity</b>	Moral corruption; wickedness.
<b>Malevolent</b>	Having or showing a wish to do evil to others.
<b>Eternally</b>	For ever.
<b>Sisyphean</b>	(Of a task) requiring endless, useless, and futile effort.
<b>Consequence</b>	A result or effect of an action or condition.
<b>Futile</b>	Incapable of producing any useful result; pointless.
<b>Endeavour</b>	An attempt to achieve a goal.
<b>Relentless</b>	Oppressively constant; incessant.
<b>Estuaries</b>	The tidal mouth of a large river, where the tide meets the stream.
<b>Perpetual</b>	Never-ending
<b>Retribution</b>	Punishment inflicted in return for an injury or wrong

• What kind of person was Jan Tregeagle during his lifetime, and what specific wicked deeds is he said to have committed?

• Describe two of the impossible tasks Jan Tregeagle is condemned to perform as his eternal punishment, mentioning the specific locations associated with them.

• How is Jan Tregeagle's story deeply connected to Cornwall's natural scenery, and what does the legend suggest about the fate of evil deeds?

• According to the article, what does the legend serve as today?

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# What happened to the 'Star Dust?'

The disappearance of the British South American Airways (BSAA) Avro Lancastrian airliner, known as "Star Dust," on 2nd August 1947, remains one of aviation's most **compelling** mysteries. On a routine flight from Buenos Aires, Argentina, to Santiago, Chile, with 11 people on board, the aircraft vanished without a trace after its radio operator sent a final, **cryptic** Morse code message: "STENDEC."



The passenger **manifest** for the flight was **diverse**, almost like a cast from a mystery novel. Among the six passengers were two businessmen, a South American sales agent, a Chilean resident of German origin returning home, and a Palestinian man **rumoured** to be carrying a large diamond stitched into the lining of his suit. Adding a layer of **intrigue** was Paul Simpson, a British King's Messenger, who was transporting **diplomatic** documents destined for the British embassy in Santiago. The five crew members were all highly experienced former Royal Air Force personnel.

Despite extensive search efforts by both Chilean and Argentine teams, no wreckage was found for over 50 years. This prolonged absence fuelled numerous theories, ranging from sabotage and diplomatic intrigue (perhaps related to the King's Messenger's sensitive cargo or the presence of a German-born passenger in post-war South America) to more **outlandish** suggestions of alien **abduction**, particularly given the post-war climate of UFO sightings. Some even speculated the plane was carrying British gold bullion. The **enigmatic** "STENDEC" transmission only deepened the mystery, with its meaning debated for decades – some proposing it was an **anagram** for "descent," others suggesting a garbled distress signal.

The mystery began to **unravel** in the late 1990s when pieces of the aircraft, including an engine and human remains, started to emerge from melting glacial ice on Mount Tupungato in the Argentine Andes. **Subsequent** investigations, aided by the recovered wreckage, concluded that the most probable cause was a controlled flight into terrain. It is now believed that the crew, navigating through a snowstorm and encountering the then-poorly understood phenomenon of the jet stream, miscalculated their position. Mistakenly believing they had cleared the mountain peaks, they began their descent prematurely, crashing into the near-vertical snowfield. The impact likely triggered an avalanche, burying the aircraft almost instantly and preserving its secrets for half a century. This incident, and the subsequent analysis, highlighted the critical impact that strong, unpredicted high-altitude winds could have on aircraft navigation, especially with the less sophisticated instruments of the era. It underscored the need for a better understanding and forecasting of jet streams for aviation safety, ultimately contributing to the meteorological knowledge that is now crucial for modern flight planning.

While the fate of Star Dust is now largely understood, the precise meaning of "STENDEC" continues to be a subject of fascination, ensuring the "Stardust aeroplane" retains its place in the annals of aviation's great unexplained events.

<b>Compelling</b>	Evoking interest, attention, or admiration in a powerfully irresistible way.
<b>Cryptic</b>	Having a meaning that is mysterious or obscure.
<b>Manifest</b>	A list of passengers or cargo on an aircraft, ship, or other vehicle.
<b>Diverse</b>	Showing a great deal of variety; very different.
<b>Rumoured</b>	Reported or said to be the case, although not definitely proven.
<b>Intrigue</b>	The secret planning of something illicit or detrimental to someone.
<b>Diplomatic</b>	Of or concerning the profession, activity, or skill of managing international relations.
<b>Outlandish</b>	Looking or sounding bizarre or unfamiliar.
<b>Abduction</b>	The action or an instance of forcibly taking someone away against their will.
<b>Enigma</b>	A person or thing that is mysterious, puzzling, or difficult to understand.
<b>Anagram</b>	A word, phrase, or name formed by rearranging the letters of another.
<b>Unravel</b>	Investigate and solve or explain (something complicated or puzzling).
<b>Subsequent</b>	Coming after something in time; following.
<b>Annals</b>	A record of events year by year.

• What was the final, cryptic message sent by the "Star Dust" aeroplane, and why did it add to the mystery of its disappearance?

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• Name two types of theories that emerged regarding the "Star Dust's" disappearance before the wreckage was found.

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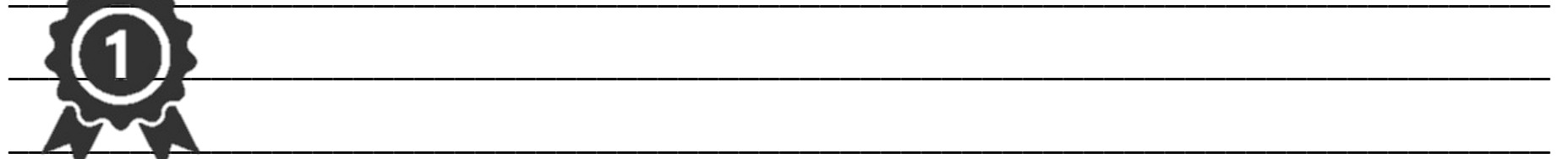
• According to the article, what was the most probable cause of the "Star Dust" crash once the wreckage was discovered, and what natural phenomenon played a key role?

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• How did the discovery of the "Star Dust" wreckage and the subsequent investigation contribute to our understanding of aviation safety?

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# The Thai Cave Rescue



In June 2018, the world watched with bated breath as a **harrowing** drama unfolded in northern Thailand. Twelve young boys from the Wild Boars football team and their assistant coach became trapped deep within the Tham Luang cave complex by sudden, **torrential** monsoon rains. What began as a routine excursion quickly transformed into an **unprecedented** international rescue operation, **captivating** and terrifying audiences globally.

The initial challenge was simply locating the team within the **labyrinthine** cave system, which stretched for kilometres and was rapidly filling with water. After nine days, British divers discovered the boys and their coach, alive but weak, **perched** on a small ledge far inside the dark, **submerged** passages. This discovery sparked immense relief but also highlighted the **monumental** task ahead: how to extract them safely through narrow, flooded tunnels.

The rescue effort became a remarkable testament to human ingenuity and international cooperation. Experts from around the world, including cave divers, military personnel, medics, and engineers, **converged** on the site. A complex strategy was **devised**, involving pumping vast quantities of water from the cave, establishing a lifeline of air tanks and ropes, and guiding each boy, one by one, through the **treacherous** underwater sections. The operation was **fraught** with peril, tragically claiming the life of a former Thai Navy SEAL, Saman Kunan, who was delivering air tanks.

Over three nail-biting days in early July, all 12 boys and their coach were successfully brought to safety. The Tham Luang cave rescue stands as an extraordinary example of courage, **resilience**, and the power of global collaboration in the face of overwhelming **adversity**. It remains a powerful story of hope and human spirit.

<b>Harrowing</b>	Acutely distressing.
<b>Torrential</b>	(Of rain) falling rapidly and in copious quantities.
<b>Unprecedented</b>	Never done or known before.
<b>Captivating</b>	Capable of attracting and holding interest; charming.
<b>Labyrinthine</b>	(Of a network of paths and passages) intricate and confusing.
<b>Submerged</b>	Covered completely by water.
<b>Perched</b>	(Of a bird or other animal) resting on something high or narrow.
<b>Monumental</b>	Great in importance, extent, or size.
<b>Ingenuity</b>	The quality of being clever, original, and inventive.
<b>Converged</b>	(Of several things or people) come together from different directions so as eventually to meet.
<b>Devised</b>	Planned or invented (a complex procedure, system, or mechanism) by careful thought.
<b>Treacherous</b>	Presenting unforeseen or hidden dangers.
<b>Fraught</b>	(Of a situation or course of action) filled with or destined to result in (something undesirable).
<b>Resilience</b>	The capacity to recover quickly from difficulties; toughness.
<b>Adversity</b>	Difficulties; misfortune.

•What natural event caused the Wild Boars football team and their coach to become trapped in the Tham Luang cave complex?

•How long did it take for the British divers to locate the trapped team and coach, and what was their condition upon discovery?

•What specific challenges made the rescue operation **fraught** with peril, and what tragic event occurred during the effort?

•According to the article, what qualities or actions made the Thai cave rescue an "extraordinary example" and a "triumph"?

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# Grace Darling



Grace Darling remains one of Britain's most **celebrated** Victorian heroines, **renowned** for her **extraordinary** courage in the face of a raging storm. Born in 1815 in Bamburgh, she spent much of her life in the **isolated** Longstone Lighthouse, off the Northumberland coast, where her father was the keeper. It was this remote upbringing that prepared her for the **defining** moment of her life.

In the early hours of 7th September 1838, the **steamship** *Forfarshire* struck rocks near the Farne Islands during a fierce gale. Despite the **treacherous** conditions, Grace, then 22, spotted survivors **clinging** to the exposed rocks of Harcar Rock. Her father, William Darling, initially deemed a rescue attempt impossible due to the immense waves. However, Grace's **unwavering** determination **persuaded** him.

Together, they launched their small, open rowing boat, a 21-foot coble, into the **tempestuous** seas. Battling against powerful winds and mountainous waves, they rowed for nearly a mile to reach the wreck. Grace, with her remarkable strength and skill, helped to steady the boat while her father assisted the nine remaining survivors into their vessel. The **perilous** journey back to the lighthouse was equally fraught, but they successfully brought all to safety.

News of their heroic feat spread rapidly, captivating the nation. Grace Darling became an overnight sensation, lauded for her bravery and selflessness. She received numerous accolades, including the Silver Medal for Gallantry from the Royal Humane Society and a significant sum of money raised by public subscription. Though she found the sudden fame overwhelming, her act of courage **cemented** her place in British history, symbolising the quiet heroism found in ordinary people. Grace Darling died just four years later, in 1842, at the age of 26, from tuberculosis. She is buried in the churchyard of St Aiden's in Bamburgh, where today there is also an RNLI museum dedicated to her life and heroism.



<b>Celebrated</b>	Greatly admired; renowned.
<b>Renowned</b>	Known or talked about by many people; famous.
<b>Extraordinary</b>	Very unusual or remarkable.
<b>Isolated</b>	Remote and separate from other people or things.
<b>Defining</b>	Determining or marking out the limits or character of something.
<b>Steamship</b>	A ship propelled by a steam engine.
<b>Treacherous</b>	Presenting unforeseen or hidden dangers.
<b>Clinging</b>	Holding on tightly to something.
<b>Unwavering</b>	Steady or resolute; not wavering.
<b>Persuaded</b>	Convinced (someone) to do something through reasoning or argument.
<b>Tempestuous</b>	Characterised by strong and turbulent or conflicting emotion; very stormy.
<b>Perilous</b>	Full of danger or risk.
<b>Fraught</b>	(Of a situation or course of action) filled with or destined to result in (something undesirable).
<b>Accolades</b>	An award or privilege granted as a special honour or as an acknowledgement of merit.
<b>Cemented</b>	Established firmly.

- Where did Grace Darling spend most of her life, and what event led to her becoming a "celebrated" heroine?  

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- What were the dangerous conditions Grace and her father faced when they launched their boat, and what was the name of the steamship they were rescuing survivors from?  

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- How many survivors did Grace and her father rescue, and what was the outcome of their "perilous" journey back to the lighthouse?  

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- How was Grace Darling recognised for her bravery after the rescue, and what did her act of courage "cement" in British folklore?  

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Describe a time when you have faced a situation that required you to be brave, or when you have done something good for other people.

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# The Harbin Ice Festival



Every winter, the city of Harbin in northeast China transforms into a magical wonderland, hosting the Harbin International Ice and Snow Sculpture Festival. This **spectacular** event, one of the world's four largest ice and snow festivals, draws millions of visitors who come to marvel at its **breathtaking** scale and **intricate artistry**. Running from late December to early March, it is a true celebration of winter's beauty.

The festival's **origins** can be traced back to Harbin's local ice lantern shows and traditions, which began in the early 1960s. Over the decades, it **evolved** from a regional event into a globally **renowned** spectacle. Its success is partly due to Harbin's unique geographical location, which provides **abundant** natural ice and consistently low temperatures, ideal for preserving the **colossal** ice and snow structures.

The festival is divided into several themed zones, each offering a distinct experience. The Harbin Ice and Snow World is **arguably** the most famous, featuring enormous, **illuminated** ice palaces, pagodas, and **fantastical** creatures, often reaching dozens of metres in height. By night, these structures are lit with vibrant, multi-coloured lights, creating an **ethereal** glow that is truly unforgettable. Sun Island Scenic Area showcases impressive snow sculptures, some stretching for hundreds of metres, depicting historical events, mythical figures, and abstract designs. There are also opportunities for ice-related activities, including ice sliding, ice cycling, and even ice swimming for the brave!

The Harbin Ice Festival is a testament to human ingenuity and artistic endeavour in extreme conditions. It's a dazzling display of **ephemeral** art, reminding us of the transient beauty that can be crafted from nature's simplest elements. It stands as a vibrant cultural landmark, attracting tourists and artists alike to experience its frosty **grandeur**.

<b>Spectacular</b>	Beautiful in a dramatic and eye-catching way.
<b>Breathtaking</b>	Astonishing or awe-inspiring in quality, effect, or extent.
<b>Intricate</b>	Very complicated or detailed.
<b>Artistry</b>	Creative skill or ability.
<b>Origins</b>	The point or place where something begins, arises, or is derived.
<b>Evolved</b>	Developed gradually, especially from a simple to a more complex form.
<b>Renowned</b>	Known or talked about by many people; famous.
<b>Abundant</b>	Existing or available in large quantities; plentiful.
<b>Colossal</b>	Extremely large or great.
<b>Arguably</b>	It may be argued (used to qualify the statement of a belief or possibility).
<b>Illuminated</b>	Lit up.
<b>Fantastical</b>	Imaginative or fanciful; remote from reality.
<b>Ethereal</b>	Extremely delicate and light in a way that seems too perfect for this world.
<b>Ephemeral</b>	Lasting for a very short time.
<b>Grandeur</b>	Splendour and impressiveness, especially of appearance or style.

• What are the main characteristics that make the Harbin International Ice and Snow Sculpture Festival a "spectacular" and "breathtaking" event?

• How did the Harbin Ice Festival "evolve" from its "origins," and what geographical advantage does Harbin possess that contributes to the festival's success?

• Name two distinct themed zones within the festival and describe what visitors can expect to see or do in each.

• What does the article suggest is the broader significance of the Harbin Ice Festival, beyond its visual "grandeur"?

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