

Wednesday

Letter to father

Blue group

Read pages 15-17 of 'The Firework Maker's Daughter'.

I would like you to focus on the letter that Lila sends to her father:

Dear Father,

I have completed my apprenticeship. Thank you for all you have taught me. I am going to seek the Royal Sulphur from Razvani, the Firefriend and I shall probably not see you again.

Your ex-daughter,

Lila

I would like you to think about the following questions and discuss them if you can:

What is Lila thinking when she writes the letter to her father?

How does her father feel when he reads it?

If Lila wrote a longer letter to her father she would explain things more.

Your task for today is to write another letter as if you are Lila to her father but I want you to explain her feelings and reasons for leaving in more detail.

I would like you to mention these key things in your letter:

1.

How Talented Lila is. Can do things herself. She has worked hard for him as his apprentice.

2.

She is as good as any man and can prove it.

3.

Marriage is not for Lila and she doesn't need someone bossing her about. She is very independent.

4.

She thinks secrets are unfair and feels betrayed by her father. She will find out for herself.

Remember to write in the first person (I, my) as if you are Lila. I would like you to use capital letters at the beginning of each sentence and full stops at the end. Please begin your letter with Dear Father.

