

**Wednesday**

**Letter to father**

**Red 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.

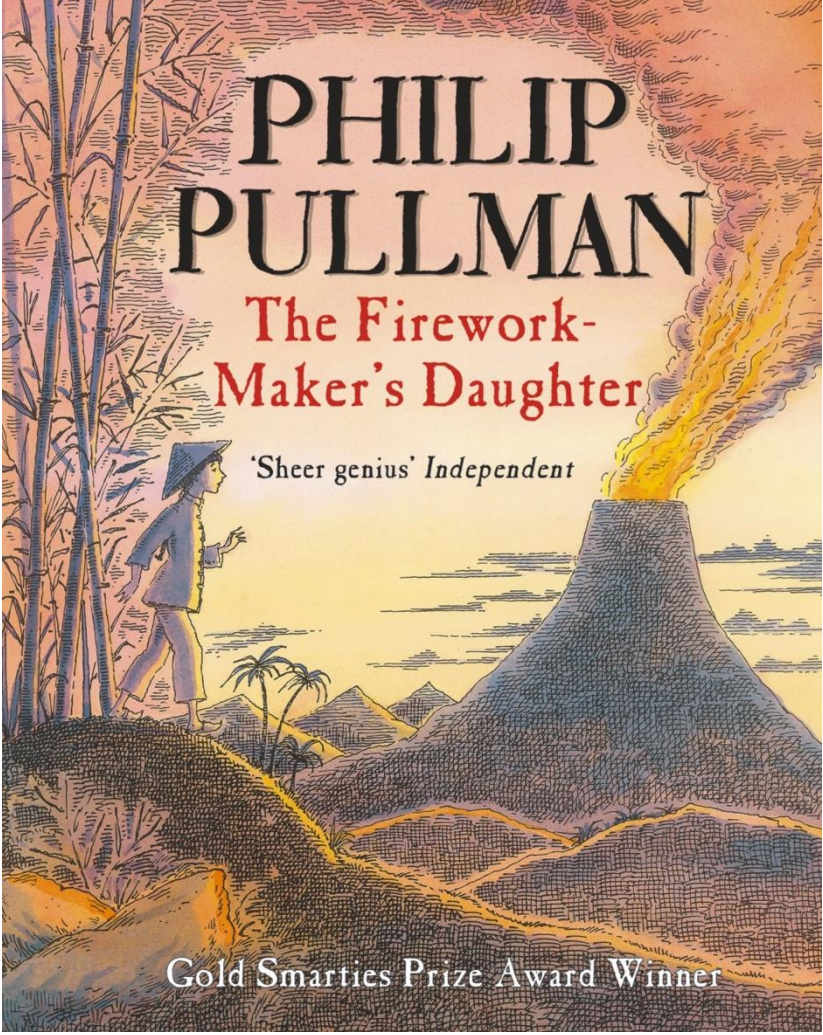
I would like you to mention these key things in your letter:

1.  
How Talented Lila is and has been a good apprentice.
2.  
She is as good as any man and can prove it.
3.  
Marriage is not for her.
4.  
Feels betrayed by her father

Remember to write in the first person (I, my) as you are Lila. Capital letters at the beginning of each sentence and full stops at the end.

I would like you to start your letter with:

Dear Father,



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## The Firework- Maker's Daughter

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