

KS3 WIDER COMMUNICATION

ACTIVITY 1

Interview with Hannah Elis, Dylan Thomas's granddaughter https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e7H zbuo4eE

Watch the interview. Here is the transcription:

"When my grandfather was at school, when he was a child, he was very disengaged; he wasn't interested in learning lots of different subjects apart from English. When it came to English, when it came to words, when it came to language, he was fascinated, he was absorbed in [it], it was almost like food to him; he just couldn't get enough of it. And he realised what he loved, what he was good at. And he wanted to do that well, and he did do it well and he was a perfectionist. And I think what we can learn from that is that even if we're struggling, there is something everyone is good at."

Pairs, then the whole class, can consider this quotation.

- Is it possible to ignore all subjects except one these days?
- Is there any subject you are fascinated by in school?
- Is there any sport/hobby you can't get enough of?
- Do you agree with the final sentence? Why? Why not?