

Knowledge and Skills Progression – Writing Planning, Writing and Editing



Nursery	Reception Early Learning Goals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long story. Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary. Use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing. For example, writing a pretend shopping list that starts at the top of the page; write 'm' for mummy. Write some or all of their name.	Use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities. Explain how things work and why they might happen. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as exact repetition and some in their own words. Use new vocabulary in different contexts. Write short sentences with words with known	To say out loud what they are going to write about. To compose a sentence orally before writing it. To sequence sentences to form short narratives. To discuss what they have written with the teacher or other pupils. To reread their writing to check that it makes sense and to independently begin to make changes. To read their writing aloud clearly enough to be heard by	To write narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real and fictional). To write about real events. To write simple poetry. To plan what they are going to write about, including writing down ideas and/or key words and new vocabulary To encapsulate what they want to say, sentence by sentence.	To begin to use ideas from their own reading and modelled examples to plan their writing. To proofread their own and others' work to check for errors (with increasing accuracy) and to make improvements. To begin to organise their writing into paragraphs around a theme. To compose and rehearse sentences orally (including dialogue).	To compose and rehearse sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures. To consistently organise their writing into paragraphs around a theme to add cohesion and to aid the reader. To proofread consistently and amend their own and others' writing,	To plan their writing by identifying the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own. To consider, when planning narratives, how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed. To proofread work to précis longer passages by removing unnecessary repetition or irrelevant	To note down and develop initial ideas, drawing on reading and research where necessary. To use further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader (e.g. headings, bullet points, underlining). To use a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs. To habitually proofread for spelling and punctuation errors.
	letter-sound correspondences	their peers and the	To make simple		correcting errors in	details.	changes to vocabulary,

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Begin to	letter and a full	To use	revisions and	punctuation	To consistently	punctuation to
develop	stop.	adjectives to	corrections	and spelling	link ideas across	enhance effects
complex stories	Re-read what	describe.	to their own	and adding	paragraphs.	and clarify
using small	they have written		writing by	nouns/	To proofread	meaning.
world	to check it makes		evaluating	pronouns for	their work to	To recognise
equipment, like	sense.		their writing	cohesion.	assess the	how words are
animal sets,	Develop		with the		effectiveness of	related by
dolls and dolls	storylines in their		teacher and		their own and	meaning as
houses, etc.	pretend play.		other pupils.		others' writing	synonyms and
	Write simple		To reread to		and to make	antonyms and
	phrases and		check that		necessary	to use this
	sentences that		their writing		corrections and	knowledge to
	can be read by		makes sense		improvements.	make
	others.		and that the			improvements
	Invent, adapt		correct tense			to their writing.
	and recount		is used			
	narratives and		throughout.			
	stories with		To proofread			
	peers and		to check for			
	teachers.		errors in			
			spelling,			
			grammar			
			and			
			punctuation			
			(e.g. to			
			check that			
			the ends of			
			sentences			
			are			
			punctuated			
			correctly).			