

English Curriculum: Writing

	PRIMARY SCHOOL	X SCHOOL		
TEXT TYPES			KEY FEATURES	
Revise Introduce:		Introduce:	Narrative: Use of past tense; simple beginning, middle and end; use of characters and setting; use of a range of different	
	Longer narratives including	Biography &	sentence types; creating mood/atmosphere; balancing description, dialogue and action to move a story forwards.	
	autobiographical stories (not	autobiography	Instructions: Sequential order & words; use of simple and conjunction sentences; use of command verb; simple title	
	autobiographies)	Short stories conveying	'How to'	
	Writing character profiles.	different genres	Recount (newspapers): Chronological order; introduction: answer the W questions; head-line and bi-line; use of	
	Information texts		reported and direct speech; past tense; 3 rd person; concluding statement or paragraph.	
	Recount including newspapers		Information texts: Factual; past tense; headings/subheadings; topic words (tech lang); use of BOYS sentences, extra	
	Persuasive writing including formal		information sentences, De:De sentences; columns, bullets or tables to structure texts.	
	argument		Play scripts: present tense; 1 st person; stage directions; use of colon; speaker's name before lines.	
	Reading & writing poetry for pleasure.		Persuasive texts: emotive language; powerful language; present tense; use of rhetorical questions;	
	Play scripts		conjunctions/connectives such as, this shows, however, because; use of statistics & quotes. (Adverts: eye-catching).	
	Explanations		Opening statement; arguments-often in the form of points plus elaboration.	
WRITING COMPOSITION		ON	SENTENCE TYPES	GRAMMAR

Pupils should be taught to plan their writing by:

- 1. Identifying the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own.
- 2. Noting and developing initial ideas, drawing on reading and research where necessary.
- 3. In writing narratives, considering how expert authors have developed characters and setting.

Pupils should be taught to draft and write by:

- 1. Selecting appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understanding the impact choices can change and enhance meaning.
- 2. In narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere (mood) and moving the plot forwards through balance of dialogue, action and description;
- Précising longer passages.
- Using a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs.
- 5. Using further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader i.e headings/subheadings, bullet points, underlining etc.

Pupils should be taught to evaluate and edit by:

Revise the following sentence types:

- 1. **O. (I.) Sentence:** He laughed at the joke. (At the same time he was quite embarrassed.)
- 2. De: De Sentence: (Description: Detail): The old man was exhausted: he hadn't slept for hours.
- 3. The more, the more Sentence: The more he waked his dog, the more it whined and whinged.
- **4. Some; others sentence.** Some people love football; others hate it.

Learn to write and then apply the following sentence types:

- 1. 3 bad (dash) question Sentence: Flatulence, greed, laziness-which was the dog's worst trait?
- 2. Imagine 3 examples: Sentence: Imagine if he never had to walk the dog again, when he could stay in by the fire, when he wouldn't have to walk in the cold and the rain: he could hardly wait.
- 3. If, if, if, then Sentence: If he hadn't gone out, if it had stopped raining, if the streetlight had been working, then it might never have happened.
- 4. **Irony Sentence:** They said that the dog was "the perfect pet", so far it had wrecked his house and cost him a fortune.

Pupils should be reminded from Year 5 to:

- 1. Use devices to build cohesion within a paragraph e.g. then, after, that, this, firstly etc.
- Use both compound sentences (main clauses only) and complex sentences (main and subordinate clause).
- Link ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time, later..., place, nearby...., and number, secondly... or tense choices, he had seen her before.
- 4. Use relative pronouns: who, whom, those, which, that etc.
- Use relative clauses to specify which person or thing we mean e.g. who, which, whose, that e.g. I have a friend who speaks five languages (no commas is used to separate the main clause from the relative clause).
- Indicate degrees of possibility using adverbs e.g. perhaps, surely or modal verbs e.g. might, should, will, must.
- Use expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely.

Pupils in Year 6 should be taught to:

- 1. Recognise vocabulary and structures that are appropriate to formal speech and writing, including subjunctive forms e.g. If I were... or Were they.....
- Using passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentence e.g. I broke the window in the

1. Assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' greenhouse. **versus** The window in the greenhouse was writing. broken (by me). 3. Link ideas across paragraphs using a wider range of 2. Proposing changes to vocabulary, grammar and cohesive devices: e.g. repetition of a word or phrase, use of punctuation to enhance effects and clarify meaning. 3. Ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense adverbials such as, on the other hand, in contrast, as a throughout a piece of writing. consequence, as well as ellipsis. 4. Ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using 4. Use and understand key grammatical terminology singular and plural, distinguishing between the language accurately and appropriately in discussing their reading and of speech and writing. writing. Pupils should be taught to proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors. **PHONICS AND SPELLING PUNCTUATION KEY VOCABULARY** Please see POS Appendix 1 for further exemplification As Year 5: Comma Verb materials for spelling. • Use of commas to clarify meaning and avoid ambiguity. Noun Adjective Use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to e.g. The Panda eats, shoots and leaves. The Panda eats Adverb Conjunction use them. (see Appendix 1) shoots and leaves. The Panda eats shoots, and leaves. Clause Phrase Words with tious or cious endings, e.g. vicious, infectious Use of brackets, dashes or commas to indicate Subordinate Clause Noun phrase Continue to build on knowledge of silent letters e.g. parenthesis: (additional information). Statement Direct speech Year 6: thistle, solemn Simile Question Continue to develop knowledge of homophones and Use of the semi-colon, colon and dash to separate two Determiner Command main clauses: e.g. It's raining; I'm fed up. other words often confused. (See Appendix 1) Tense (past & present). Modal Verb Use of the colon to introduce a list and use semi-colons Use a dictionary to check a spelling and meaning of Relative pronoun Pronoun within lists. e.g. At school he will learn to: tie his words. Relative clause Preposition Use a thesaurus to check antonyms and synonyms. shoelaces; write his name; read a book and count. Prefix **Parenthesis** Punctuate bullet points to list information. words ending in tial, cial, e.g. official, essential Bracket Inverted commas/speech Use of the hyphen to join a prefix to a root word if the • Use of hyphens to avoid ambiguity e.g. A man eating Dash marks shark versus A man-eating shark. prefix ends in a vowel and the root word begins with a Active Subject vowel, e.g. co-operate, re-enter Object Passive Use knowledge of morphology (how words are formed) Colon Ellipsis and etymology (origins of words) and understand that Hyphen Semi-colon spelling of some words need to be learnt specifically **HANDWRITING SPEAKING & LISTENING** 1. Articulate and justify answers, arguments and opinions give well-structured descriptions, Write legibly, fluidly with increasing speed and style. explanations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings. Develop a personal style. 2. Speak audibly and fluently with an increasing command of Standard English. Choose the appropriate writing implement best suited for the task. 3. Use spoken language to develop understanding through speculating, hypothesising, Use appropriate style and form depending on the task (e.g. labelling a diagram, writing an imagining and exploring ideas. email address, algebra and filling a form in, in block capitals). **4.** Listen and respond appropriately to adults and their peers.