

St Andrew's 2022 Curriculum Framework - Writing

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	<h2>Key Writing Skills for KS1 and KS2</h2>
	<p>All Pupils across KS1 and KS2 will be taught to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transcription (spelling and Handwriting) • Composition (articulating ideas and structuring them through speech and writing, including the correct use of grammar, developing a greater vocabulary and using correct punctuation) <p>All school staff, Governors and parents will contribute to a strong reading ethos and high profile of reading across at the school by ensuring pupils have opportunities to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write across the curriculum • Write for a range of purposes, audiences and genres • Develop pupils' writing stamina <p>Writing simple dictated sentences that include words taught so far gives pupils opportunities to apply and practise their spelling.</p> <p><i>By the end of each key stage, pupils are expected to know, apply and understand the matters, skills and processes specified in the relevant programme of study.</i></p>
	<h3>Year 1 Overview</h3> <p>During year 1, teachers should</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build on work from the Early Years Foundation Stage, making sure that pupils can segment words to aid spelling using the phonic knowledge and skills that they have already learnt. • Ensure that pupils continue to learn new grapheme-phoneme correspondences (GPCs) and revise and consolidate those learnt earlier to use in their own writing • Give pupils opportunities to hear, share and discuss a wide range of high-quality books to develop and broaden their vocabulary and experience of story to apply this in their own writing. <p>Pupils entering year 1 who have not yet met the early learning goals for literacy should continue to follow their school's curriculum for the Early Years Foundation Stage to develop their word reading, spelling and language skills. However, these pupils should follow the year 1 programme of study in terms of the books they listen to and discuss, so that they develop their vocabulary and understanding of grammar, as well as their knowledge more generally across the curriculum. If they are still struggling to decode and spell, they need to be taught to do this urgently through a rigorous and</p>

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	systematic phonics programme so that they catch up rapidly. Teachers should ensure that their teaching develops pupils' oral vocabulary as well as their ability to understand and use a variety of grammatical structure. At this stage pupils will be spelling some words in a phonically plausible way, even if sometimes incorrectly. Misspellings of words that pupils have been taught to spell should be corrected; other misspelt words should be used to teach pupils about alternative ways of representing those sounds.	
Year 1	Year 1 Reading Skills	
	Transcription (spelling and Handwriting)	Composition (articulating ideas and structuring them through speech and writing, including the correct use of grammar, developing a greater vocabulary and using correct punctuation)

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	<p>Spelling (see Appendix 1) Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">spell:<ul style="list-style-type: none">words containing each of the 40+ phonemes already taughtcommon exception wordsthe days of the weekname the letters of the alphabet:<ul style="list-style-type: none">naming the letters of the alphabet in orderusing letter names to distinguish between alternative spellings of the same soundadd prefixes and suffixes:<ul style="list-style-type: none">using the spelling rule for adding -s or -es as the plural marker for nounsusing -ing, -ed, -er and -est where no change is and the third person singular marker for verbsusing the prefix un-needed in the spelling of root words [for example, helping, helped, helper, eating, quicker, quickest]apply simple spelling rules and guidance, as listed in <u>English Appendix 1</u>write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher that include words using the GPCs and common exception words taught so far.	<p>Composition Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">write sentences by:<ul style="list-style-type: none">saying out loud what they are going to write aboutcomposing a sentence orally before writing itsequencing sentences to form short narrativesre-reading what they have written to check that it makes sensediscuss what they have written with the teacher or other pupilsread aloud their writing clearly enough to be heard by their peers and the teacher.
	<p>Handwriting Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctlybegin to form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right placeform capital lettersform digits 0-9understand which letters belong to which handwriting	<p>Vocabulary Grammar and Punctuation (see Appendix 2) Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">develop their understanding of the concepts set out in <u>English Appendix 2</u> by:<ul style="list-style-type: none">leaving spaces between wordsjoining words and joining clauses using andbeginning to punctuate sentences using a capital letter and a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark

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	<p>'families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways) and to practise these.</p>	<p>using a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun 'I' learning the grammar for year 1 in English Appendix 2 use the grammatical terminology in English Appendix 2 in discussing their writing.</p>
<p>Year 2</p>	<p>Year 2 Writing Overview</p> <p>By the <u>beginning</u> of year 2, pupils should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • spell correctly many of the words covered in year 1. • make phonically plausible attempts to spell words they have not yet learnt. • Write many common words containing GPCs taught so far without needing to blend the sounds out loud first. • retell some familiar stories that have been read to and discussed with them or that they have acted out during year 1. • compose individual sentences orally and then write them down • form individual letters correctly, so establishing good handwriting habits <p><u>During</u> year 2, teachers should continue to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensure that pupils listen to and discuss a wide range of stories, poems, plays and information books; this should include whole books developing their vocabulary and critical thinking skills to enable them to articulate and write responses' to texts <p>It is important to recognise that pupils begin to meet extra challenges in terms of spelling during year 2. Increasingly, they should learn that there is not always an obvious connection between the way a word is said and the way it is spelt. Variations include different ways of spelling the same sound, the use of so-called silent letters and groups of letters in some words and, sometimes, spelling that has become separated from the way that words are now pronounced, such as the 'le' ending in table. Pupils' motor skills also need to be sufficiently advanced for them to write down ideas that they may be able to compose orally. In addition, writing is intrinsically harder than reading: pupils are likely to be able to read and understand more complex writing (in terms of its vocabulary and structure) than they are capable of producing themselves</p> <p>For pupils who do not have the phonic knowledge and skills they need for year 2, teachers should use the year 1 programmes of study for word reading and spelling so that pupils' word reading skills catch up. However, teachers should use the year 2 programme of study for comprehension so that these pupils hear and talk about new books, poems, other writing, and vocabulary with the rest of the class.</p>	
<p>Year 2</p>	<p>Year 2 Writing Skills</p>	
	<p>Transcription (spelling and Handwriting)</p>	<p>Composition (articulating ideas and structuring them through speech and writing,</p>

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		including the correct use of grammar, developing a greater vocabulary and using correct punctuation)
	<p>Spelling (see Appendix 1) Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> spell by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> segmenting spoken words into phonemes and representing these by graphemes, spelling many correctly learning new ways of spelling phonemes for which one or more spellings are already known, and learn some words with each spelling, including a few common homophones learning to spell common exception words learning to spell more words with contracted forms learning the possessive apostrophe (singular) [for example, the girl's book] distinguishing between homophones and near-homophones add suffixes to spell longer words, including -ment, -ness, -ful, -less, -ly 	<p>Composition Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> writing narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real and fictional) writing about real events writing poetry writing for different purposes consider what they are going to write before beginning by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> planning or saying out loud what they are going to write about writing down ideas and/or key words, including new vocabulary encapsulating what they want to say, sentence by sentence make simple additions, revisions and corrections to their own writing by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> evaluating their writing with the teacher and other pupils re-reading to check that their writing makes sense and that verbs to indicate time are used correctly and consistently, including verbs in the continuous form proof-reading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation [for example, ends of sentences punctuated correctly] read
	<p>Handwriting Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another start using some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower 	<p>Vocabulary, grammar and punctuation (see Appendix 2) Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> develop their understanding of the concepts set out in Appendix 2 of the National Curriculum for English 2022_by: learning how to use both familiar and new punctuation correctly (see English National Curriculum for English 2022 Appendix 2), including full stops, capital letters, exclamation marks, question marks, commas for lists and apostrophes for contracted forms and the possessive (singular) learn how to use:

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	<p>case letters use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters.</p>	<p>sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command expanded noun phrases to describe and specify [for example, the blue butterfly] the present and past tenses correctly and consistently including the progressive form subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but) the grammar for year 2 some features of written Standard English use and understand</p>
<p>Year 3</p>	<p>Year 3 Writing Overview Pupils should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write down their ideas with a reasonable degree of accuracy and with good sentence punctuation. Teachers should therefore be consolidating pupils' writing skills, their vocabulary, their grasp of sentence structure and their knowledge of linguistic terminology. Teaching them to develop as writers involves teaching them to enhance the effectiveness of what they write as well as increasing their competence. • Use ever more sophisticated vocabulary and imagination in their own writing (linked with reading) • Begin justifying their views about what they have read with support: with support at the start of year 3 (and increasingly independently by the end of year 4.) in order to develop critical thinking skills and articulate and write their responses to texts • Begin to understand how writing can be different from speech • Use correctly joined handwriting and use it fast enough to keep pace with what they want to say. • Spell common words should be correct, including common exception words and other words that they have learnt • Spell words as accurately as possible using their phonic knowledge and other knowledge of spelling, such as morphology and etymology. • Begin to use figurative language, distinguishing shades of meaning among related words and use age-appropriate, academic vocabulary in their own writing <p>As in key stage 1, however, pupils who are still struggling to decode need to be taught to do this urgently through a rigorous and systematic phonics programme so that they catch up rapidly with their peers. If they cannot decode independently and fluently, they will find it increasingly difficult to understand what they read and to write down what they want to say. As far as possible, however, these pupils should follow the Year 3 curriculum of study in terms of listening to new books, hearing and learning new vocabulary and grammatical structures, and discussing these. Specific requirements for pupils to discuss what they are learning and to develop their wider skills in spoken language form part of this</p>	

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	programme of study. In Year 3 pupils should become more familiar with and confident in using language in a greater variety of situations, for a variety of audiences and purposes, including through drama, formal presentations and debate.	
Year 3	Year 3 Writing Skills	
	Transcription (spelling and Handwriting)	Composition (articulating ideas and structuring them through speech and writing, including the correct use of grammar, developing a greater vocabulary and using correct punctuation)
	<p>Spelling (see Appendix 1) Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them (English Appendix 1) spell further homophones spell words that are often misspelt (English Appendix 1) place the possessive apostrophe accurately in words with regular plurals [for example, girls', boys'] and in words with irregular plurals [for example, children's] use the first two or three letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary write from memory simple sentences, 	<p>Composition Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> plan their writing by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar discussing and recording ideas draft and write by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> composing and rehearsing sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures organising paragraphs around a theme in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot in non-narrative material, using simple organisational devices [for example, headings and sub-headings] evaluate and edit by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggesting improvements proposing changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency, including the accurate use of pronouns in sentences proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors read aloud their own writing, to a group or the whole class, using appropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear.

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	<p>Handwriting Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting [for example, by ensuring that the downstrokes of letters are parallel and equidistant; that lines of writing are spaced sufficiently so that the ascenders and descenders of letters do not touch]. 	<p>Vocabulary, grammar and punctuation. (see Appendix 2) Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> develop their understanding of the concepts set out in English Appendix 2 of the National Curriculum 2022 by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> extending the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although using the present perfect form of verbs in contrast to the past tense choosing nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause using fronted adverbials learning the grammar for years 3 and 4 in English Appendix 2 of the National Curriculum 2022 indicate grammatical and other features by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> using commas after fronted adverbials indicating possession by using the possessive apostrophe with plural nouns using and punctuating direct speech use and understand the grammatical terminology in English Appendix 2 accurately and appropriately when discussing their writing and reading.
<p>Year 4</p>	<p>Year 4 Writing overview Pupils should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write down their ideas with a reasonable degree of accuracy and with good sentence punctuation. Teachers should therefore be consolidating pupils' writing skills, their vocabulary, their grasp of sentence structure and their knowledge of linguistic terminology. Teaching them to develop as writers involves teaching them to enhance the effectiveness of what they write as well as increasing their competence. Use ever more sophisticated vocabulary and imagination in their own writing (linked with reading) Begin justifying their views about what they have read with increasingly independently by the end of year 4 in order to develop critical thinking skills and articulate and write their responses to texts Begin to understand how writing can be different from speech Use correctly joined handwriting and use it fast enough to keep pace with what they want to say. Spell common words should be correct, including common exception words and other words that they have learnt Spell words as accurately as possible using their phonic knowledge and other knowledge of spelling, such as morphology and etymology. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Begin to use figurative language, distinguishing shades of meaning among related words and use age-appropriate, academic vocabulary in their own writing <p>As in key stage 1, however, pupils who are still struggling to decode need to be taught to do this urgently through a rigorous and systematic phonics programme so that they catch up rapidly with their peers. If they cannot decode independently and fluently, they will find it increasingly difficult to understand what they read and to write down what they want to say. As far as possible, however, these pupils should follow the Year 4 curriculum of study in terms of listening to new books, hearing and learning new vocabulary and grammatical structures, and discussing these. Specific requirements for pupils to discuss what they are learning and to develop their wider skills in spoken language form part of this programme of study. In Year 4 pupils should become more familiar with and confident in using language in a greater variety of situations, for a variety of audiences and purposes, including through drama, formal presentations and debate.</p>	
	Year 4 Writing Skills	
	Transcription (spelling and Handwriting)	Composition (articulating ideas and structuring them through speech and writing, including the correct use of grammar, developing a greater vocabulary and using correct punctuation)
	<p>Spelling (see Appendix 1) Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them (English Appendix 1) spell further homophones spell words that are often misspelt (English Appendix 1) place the possessive apostrophe accurately in words with regular plurals [for example, girls', boys'] and in words with irregular plurals [for example, children's] use the first two or three letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary write from memory simple sentences, 	<p>Composition Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> plan their writing by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar discussing and recording ideas draft and write by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> composing and rehearsing sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures (English Appendix 2 of the National Curriculum 2022) organising paragraphs around a theme in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot in non-narrative material, using simple organisational devices [for example, headings and sub-headings] evaluate and edit by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing

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		<p>and suggesting improvements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> proposing changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency, including the accurate use of pronouns in sentences proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors read aloud their own writing, to a group or the whole class, using appropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear.
	<p>Handwriting</p> <p>Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting [for example, by ensuring that the downstrokes of letters are parallel and equidistant; that lines of writing are spaced sufficiently so that the ascenders and descenders of letters do not touch]. 	<p>Vocabulary, grammar and punctuation.</p> <p>(see Appendix 2)</p> <p>Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> develop their understanding of the concepts set out in English Appendix 2 of the Nation Curriculum 2022_by: extending the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although using the present perfect form of verbs in contrast to the past tense choosing nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause using fronted adverbials learning the grammar for years 3 and 4 in English indicate grammatical and other features by: using commas after fronted adverbials indicating possession by using the possessive apostrophe with plural nouns using and punctuating direct speech use and understand the grammatical terminology in English accurately and appropriately when discussing their writing and reading.

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<p>Year 5</p>	<p>Year 5 Writing Overview</p> <p>By the <u>beginning</u> of year 5, pupils should be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pupils should be able to write down their ideas quickly. • Use broadly accurate grammar and punctuation Pupils' spelling of • Spell accurately most words taught so far • Spell words that they have not yet been taught using what they have learnt about how spelling works in English. <p><u>During</u> years 5 (and 6) teachers should continue to emphasise pupils' enjoyment and understanding of language, especially vocabulary, to support their reading and writing. Pupils' knowledge of language, gained from stories, plays, poetry, non-fiction and textbooks, will support their increasing fluency as readers, their facility as writers, and their comprehension.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use every increasing sophisticated vocabulary in order to convey accurately the information to the reader • Pupils should be able to write down their ideas quickly. • Use broadly accurate grammar and punctuation Pupils' spelling of • Spell accurately most words taught so far • Spell words that they have not yet been taught using what they have learnt about how spelling works in English. <p>As in years 3 and 4, pupils should be taught to enhance the effectiveness of their writing as well as their competence.</p> <p><u>During</u> Year 5 (and 6) teachers should continue to emphasise pupils' enjoyment and understanding of language, especially vocabulary, to support their (reading) and writing. Pupils' knowledge of language, gained from stories, plays, poetry, non-fiction and textbooks, will support their increasing fluency as readers, their facility as writers, and their comprehension.</p> <p>It is essential that pupils whose decoding skills are poor are taught through a rigorous and systematic phonics programme so that they catch up rapidly with their peers in terms of their decoding and spelling. However, as far as possible, these pupils should follow the upper key stage 2 programme of study in terms of listening to books and other writing that they have not come across before, hearing and learning new vocabulary and grammatical structures, and having a chance to talk about all of these.</p> <p>Specific requirements for pupils to discuss what they are learning and to develop their wider skills in spoken language form part of this programme of study. In years 5 (and 6) pupils' confidence, enjoyment and mastery of language should be extended through public speaking, performance and debate.</p>	
<p>Year 5</p>	<p>Year 5 Writing skills</p>	
	<p>Transcription (spelling and Handwriting)</p>	<p>Composition (articulating ideas and structuring them through speech and writing, including the correct use of grammar, developing a greater vocabulary)</p>

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	<p>Spelling (see Appendix 1)</p> <p>Pupils should be taught to: use further prefixes and suffixes and understand the guidance for adding them</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> spell some words with 'silent' letters [for example, knight, psalm, solemn] continue to distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused use knowledge of morphology and etymology in spelling and understand that the spelling of some words needs to be learnt specifically, as listed in English use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words use the first three or four letters of a word to check spelling, meaning or both of these in a dictionary use a thesaurus. 	<p>Composition</p> <p>Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> plan their writing by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> identifying the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own noting and developing initial ideas, drawing on reading and research where necessary in writing narratives, considering how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed draft and write by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> selecting appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning in narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action precising longer passages using a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs using further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader [for example, headings, bullet points, underlining] evaluate and edit by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing proposing changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to enhance effects and clarify meaning ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural,

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		<p>distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate register</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors perform their own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume, and movement so that meaning is clear.
	<p>Handwriting and presentation Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> choosing which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding whether or not to join specific letters choosing the writing implement that is best suited for a task. 	<p>Vocabulary, grammar and punctuation (see Appendix 2) Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> develop their understanding of the concepts set out in English by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> recognising vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing, including subjunctive forms using passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentence using the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely using modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility using relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with an implied (i.e. omitted) relative pronoun learning the grammar for years 5 and 6 in English indicate grammatical and other features by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> using commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing using hyphens to avoid ambiguity using brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis using semi-colons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses using a colon to introduce a list punctuating bullet points consistently use and understand the grammatical terminology in English accurately and appropriately in discussing their writing and reading.
<p>Year 6</p>	<p>Year 6 Writing Overview At the beginning of Year 6, pupils should be able to do the following with proficiency</p>	

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- Use broadly accurate grammar and punctuation Pupils' spelling of
- Spell accurately most words taught so far
- Spell words that they have not yet been taught using what they have learnt about how spelling works in English.
- Use every increasing sophisticated vocabulary in order to convey accurately the information to the reader

During Year 6, teachers should continue to emphasise pupils' enjoyment and understanding of language, especially vocabulary, to support their (reading) and writing. Pupils' knowledge of language, gained from stories, plays, poetry, non-fiction and textbooks, will support their increasing fluency as readers, their facility as writers, and their comprehension.

It is essential that pupils whose decoding skills are poor are taught through a rigorous and systematic phonics programme so that they catch up rapidly with their peers in terms of their decoding and spelling. However, as far as possible, these pupils should follow the upper key stage 2 programme of study in terms of listening to books and other writing that they have not come across before, hearing and learning new vocabulary and grammatical structures, and having a chance to talk about all of these.

By the end of year 6, pupils' reading and writing should be sufficiently fluent and effortless for them to manage the general demands of the curriculum in year 7, across all subjects and not just in English, but there will continue to be a need for pupils to learn subject-specific vocabulary. They should be able to reflect their understanding of the audience for and purpose of their writing by selecting appropriate vocabulary and grammar. Teachers should prepare pupils for secondary education by ensuring that they can consciously control sentence structure in their writing and understand why sentences are constructed as they are. Pupils should understand nuances in vocabulary choice and age-appropriate, academic vocabulary. This involves consolidation, practice and discussion of language.

Specific requirements for pupils to discuss what they are learning and to develop their wider skills in spoken language form part of this programme of study. In years 5 and 6, pupils' confidence, enjoyment and mastery of language should be extended through **public speaking, performance and debate**.

Year 6 Reading Skills

Transcription (spelling and Handwriting)

Composition

(articulating ideas and structuring them through speech and writing, including the correct use of grammar, developing a greater vocabulary and using correct punctuation)

Spelling
(see Appendix 1)
Pupils should be taught to: use further prefixes and suffixes and understand the guidance for adding them

Composition
Pupils should be taught to:
plan their writing by:
identifying the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting

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	<p>spell some words with 'silent' letters [for example, knight, psalm, solemn]</p> <p>continue to distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused</p> <p>use knowledge of morphology and etymology in spelling and understand that the spelling of some words needs to be learnt specifically,</p> <p>use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words</p> <p>use the first three or four letters of a word to check spelling, meaning or both of these in a dictionary</p> <p>use a thesaurus.</p>	<p>the appropriate form and using other similar writing models for their own</p> <p>noting and developing initial ideas, drawing on reading and research where necessary</p> <p>in writing narratives, considering how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed</p> <p>draft and write by:</p> <p>selecting appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning</p> <p>in narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action</p> <p>precising longer passages</p> <p>using a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs</p> <p>using further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader [for example, headings, bullet points, underlining]</p> <p>evaluate and edit by:</p> <p>assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing</p> <p>proposing changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to enhance effects and clarify meaning</p> <p>ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing</p> <p>ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural,</p> <p>distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate register</p> <p>proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors</p> <p>perform their own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume,</p>
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	<p>Handwriting and presentation</p> <p>Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed by:choosing which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding whether or not to join specific letterschoosing the writing implement that is best suited for a task.	<p>and movement so that meaning is clear.</p> <p>Vocabulary, grammar and punctuation</p> <p>Pupils should be taught to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">develop their understanding of the concepts set out in English by:recognising vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing, including subjunctive formsusing passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentenceusing the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and causeusing expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information conciselyusing modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibilityusing relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with an implied (i.e. omitted) relative pronounlearning the grammar for years 5 and 6 in Englishindicate grammatical and other features by:using commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writingusing hyphens to avoid ambiguityusing brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesisusing semi-colons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clausesusing a colon to introduce a listpunctuating bullet points consistentlyuse and understand the grammatical terminology in English accurately and appropriately in discussing their writing and reading.
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Spelling Appendix 1.

This appendix outlines the spelling patterns and rules which will be taught from Years 1-6 as outlined in appendix 1 of the National Curriculum for English 2022 pages 50-79. These also link to the school's own Literacy Framework document.

Year 1 Spellings		
Revise the following from Reception all letters of the alphabet and the sounds which they most commonly represent consonant digraphs which have been taught and the sounds which they represent vowel digraphs which have been taught and the sounds which they represent the process of segmenting spoken words into sounds before choosing graphemes to represent the sounds words with adjacent consonants guidance and rules which have been taught		
Sounds	Rules and guidance	Example words
The sounds /f/, /l/, /s/, /z/ and /k/ spelt ff, ll, ss, zz and ck	The /f/, /l/, /s/, /z/ and /k/ sounds are usually spelt as ff , ll , ss , zz and ck if they come straight after a single vowel letter in short words. Exceptions: if, pal, us, bus, yes.	off, well, miss, buzz, back
The /ŋ/ sound spelt n before k		bank, think, honk, sunk
Division of words into syllables	Each syllable is like a 'beat' in the spoken word. Words of more than one syllable often have an unstressed syllable in which the	pocket, rabbit, carrot, thunder, sunset

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	vowel sound is unclear.	
-tch	The /tʃ/ sound is usually spelt as tch if it comes straight after a single vowel letter. Exceptions: rich, which, much, such.	catch, fetch, kitchen, notch, hutch
The /v/ sound at the end of words	English words hardly ever end with the letter v , so if a word ends with a /v/ sound, the letter e usually needs to be added after the 'v'.	have, live, give
Adding s and es to words (plural of nouns and the third person singular of verbs)	If the ending sounds like /s/ or /z/, it is spelt as -s . If the ending sounds like /ʌz/ and forms an extra syllable or 'beat' in the word, it is spelt as -es .	cats, dogs, spends, rocks, thanks, catches
Adding the endings -ing, -ed and -er to verbs where no change is needed to the root word	-ing and -er always add an extra syllable to the word and -ed sometimes does. The past tense of some verbs may sound as if it ends in /ʌd/ (extra syllable), /d/ or /t/ (no extra syllable), but all these endings are	hunting, hunted, hunter, buzzing, buzzed, buzzer, jumping, jumped, jumper

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	<p>spelt -ed.</p> <p>If the verb ends in two consonant letters (the same or different), the ending is simply added on.</p>	
-tch	<p>The /tʃ/ sound is usually spelt as tch if it comes straight after a single vowel letter. Exceptions: rich, which, much, such.</p>	catch, fetch, kitchen, notch, hutch
The /v/ sound at the end of words	<p>English words hardly ever end with the letter v, so if a word ends with a /v/ sound, the letter e usually needs to be added after the 'v'.</p>	have, live, give
Adding s and es to words (plural of nouns and the third person singular of verbs)	<p>If the ending sounds like /s/ or /z/, it is spelt as -s. If the ending sounds like /ʒ/ and forms an extra syllable or 'beat' in the word, it is spelt as -es.</p>	cats, dogs, spends, rocks, thanks, catches
Adding the endings -ing, -ed and -er to verbs where no change is needed to the root word	<p>-ing and -er always add an extra syllable to the word and -ed sometimes does.</p> <p>The past tense of some verbs may sound as if it ends in /ɪd/ (extra</p>	hunting, hunted, hunter, buzzing, buzzed, buzzer, jumping, jumped, jumper

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	<p>syllable), /d/ or /t/ (no extra syllable), but all these endings are spelt -ed.</p> <p>If the verb ends in two consonant letters (the same or different), the ending is simply added on.</p>	
Adding -er and -est to adjectives where no change is needed to the root word	As with verbs (see above), if the adjective ends in two consonant letters (the same or different), the ending is simply added on.	grander, grandest, fresher, freshest, quicker, quickest
-tch	The /tʃ/ sound is usually spelt as tch if it comes straight after a single vowel letter. Exceptions: rich, which, much, such.	catch, fetch, kitchen, notch, hutch
The /v/ sound at the end of words	English words hardly ever end with the letter v , so if a word ends with a /v/ sound, the letter e usually needs to be added after the 'v'.	have, live, give
Adding s and es to words (plural of nouns and the third person singular of verbs)	If the ending sounds like /s/ or /z/, it is spelt as -s . If the ending sounds like /ʌz/ and forms an extra syllable or 'beat' in the word, it is spelt as -	cats, dogs, spends, rocks, thanks, catches

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Adding the endings -ing, -ed and -er to verbs where no change is needed to the root word	<p>-ing and -er always add an extra syllable to the word and -ed sometimes does.</p> <p>The past tense of some verbs may sound as if it ends in /Ád/ (extra syllable), /d/ or /t/ (no extra syllable), but all these endings are spelt -ed.</p> <p>If the verb ends in two consonant letters (the same or different), the ending is simply added on.</p>	hunting, hunted, hunter, buzzing, buzzed, buzzer, jumping, jumped, jumper
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<p>The /v/ sound at the end of words</p>	<p>English words hardly ever end with the letter v, so if a word ends with a /v/ sound, the letter e usually needs to be added after the 'v'.</p>	<p>have, live, give</p>
<p>Adding s and es to words (plural of nouns and the third person singular of verbs)</p>	<p>If the ending sounds like /s/ or /z/, it is spelt as -s. If the ending sounds like /ʌz/ and forms an extra syllable or 'beat' in the word, it is spelt as -es.</p>	<p>cats, dogs, spends, rocks, thanks, catches</p>
<p>Adding the endings -ing, -ed and -er to verbs where no change is needed to the root word</p>	<p>-ing and -er always add an extra syllable to the word and -ed sometimes does.</p> <p>The past tense of some verbs may sound as if it ends in /ʌd/ (extra syllable), /d/ or /t/ (no extra syllable), but all these endings are spelt -ed.</p> <p>If the verb ends in two consonant letters (the same or different), the ending is simply added on.</p>	<p>hunting, hunted, hunter, buzzing, buzzed, buzzer, jumping, jumped, jumper</p>
<p>Adding -er and -est to adjectives where no change is needed to the root</p>	<p>As with verbs (see above), if the adjective ends in two consonant letters (the same or different), the</p>	<p>grander, grandest, fresher, freshest, quicker, quickest</p>

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word	ending is simply added on.	
ai, oi	The digraphs ai and oi are virtually never used at the end of English words.	rain, wait, train, paid, afraid oil, join, coin, point, soil
ay, oy	ay and oy are used for those sounds at the end of words and at the end of syllables.	day, play, say, way, stay boy, toy, enjoy, annoy
a-e		made, came, same, take, safe
e-e		these, theme, complete
i-e		five, ride, like, time, side
o-e		home, those, woke, hope, hole
u-e	Both the /u:/ and /ju:/ ('oo' and 'yoo') sounds can be spelt as u-e .	June, rule, rude, use, tube, tune

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ar		car, start, park, arm, garden
ee		see, tree, green, meet, week
ea (/i:/)		sea, dream, meat, each, read (present tense)
ea (/ɒ/)		head, bread, meant, instead, read (past tense)
er (/ɜ:/)		(stressed sound): her, term, verb, person
er (/ə/)		(unstressed <i>schwa</i> sound): better, under, summer, winter, sister
ir		girl, bird, shirt, first, third
ur		turn, hurt, church, burst, Thursday

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oo (/u:/)	Very few words end with the letters oo , although the few that do are often words that primary children in year 1 will encounter, for example, <i>zoo</i>	food, pool, moon, zoo, soon
oo (/ʊ/)		book, took, foot, wood, good
oa	The digraph oa is very rare at the end of an English word.	boat, coat, road, coach, goal
oe		toe, goes
ou	The only common English word ending in ou is <i>you</i> .	out, about, mouth, around, sound
ow (/aʊ/) ow (/əʊ/) ue	Both the /u:/ and /ju:/ ('oo' and 'yoo') sounds can be spelt as u-e , ue and ew . If words end in the /oo/ sound, ue and ew are more common spellings than oo .	now, how, brown, down, town own, blow, snow, grow, show blue, clue, true, rescue, Tuesday new, few, grew, flew, drew, threw

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ear		
ear (/ɜə/)		lie, tie, pie, cried, tried, dried
are (/ɑə/)		chief, field, thief
		high, night, light, bright, right
		for, short, born, horse, morning
		more, score, before, wore, shore
		saw, draw, yawn, crawl
		author, August, dinosaur, astronaut
		air, fair, pair, hair, chair

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		dear, hear, beard, near, year
		bear, pear, wear
		bare, dare, care, share, scared
Words ending -y (/i:/ or /Ā/)		very, happy, funny, party, family
New consonant spellings ph and wh	The /f/ sound is not usually spelt as ph in short everyday words (e.g. <i>fat, fill, fun</i>).	dolphin, alphabet, phonics, elephant when, where, which, wheel, while
Using k for the /k/ sound	The /k/ sound is spelt as k rather than as c before e, i and y .	Kent, sketch, kit, skin, frisky
Adding the prefix -un	The prefix un- is added to the beginning of a word without any change to the spelling of the root	unhappy, undo, unload, unfair, unlock

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	word.	
Compound words	Compound words are two words joined together. Each part of the longer word is spelt as it would be if it were on its own.	football, playground, farmyard, bedroom, blackberry
Common exception words	Pupils' attention should be drawn to the grapheme-phoneme correspondences that do and do not fit in with what has been taught so far.	the, a, do, to, today, of, said, says, are, were, was, is, his, has, I, you, your, they, be, he, me, she, we, no, go, so, by, my, here, there, where, love, come, some, one, once, ask, friend, school, put, push, pull, full, house, our - and/or others, according to the programme used

Year 2 Spellings

Revise from the previous year

As words with new letters and sounds are introduced, many previously-taught letters and sounds can be revised at the same time as these words will usually contain them.

Sounds	Rules and guidance	Example words
The /dʒ/ sound spelt as ge and dge at the end of words, and sometimes spelt as g elsewhere in words before e, i and y	<p>The letter j is never used for the /dʒ/ sound at the end of English words.</p> <p>At the end of a word, the /dʒ/ sound is spelt -dge straight after the /æ/, /ɒ/, /ɔ̃/, /ē/, /ɜ / and /ʊ/ sounds (sometimes called 'short' vowels).</p>	<p>badge, edge, bridge, dodge, fudge age, huge, change, charge, bulge, village</p> <p>gem, giant, magic, giraffe, energy jacket, jar, jog, join, adjust</p>

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	<p>After all other sounds, whether vowels or consonants, the /dʒ/ sound is spelt as -ge at the end of a word.</p> <p>In other positions in words, the /dʒ/ sound is often (but not always) spelt as g before e, i, and y. The /dʒ/ sound is always spelt as j before a, o and u.</p>	
The /s/ sound spelt c before e, i and y		race, ice, cell, city, fancy
The /n/ sound spelt kn and (less often) gn at the beginning of words	The 'k' and 'g' at the beginning of these words was sounded hundreds of years ago.	knock, know, knee, gnat, gnaw
The /r/ sound spelt wr at the beginning of words	This spelling probably also reflects an old pronunciation.	write, written, wrote, wrong, wrap
The // or /əl/ sound spelt -le at the end of words	The -le spelling is the most common spelling for this sound at the end of words.	table, apple, bottle, little, middle

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<p>The /l/ or /əl/ sound spelt -el at the end of words</p>	<p>The -el spelling is much less common than -le.</p> <p>The -el spelling is used after m, n, r, s, v, w and more often than not after s.</p>	<p>camel, tunnel, squirrel, travel, towel, tinsel</p>
<p>The /l/ or /əl/ sound spelt -al at the end of words</p>	<p>Not many nouns end in -al, but many adjectives do.</p>	<p>metal, pedal, capital, hospital, animal</p>
<p>Words ending -il</p>	<p>There are not many of these words.</p>	<p>pencil, fossil, nostril</p>
<p>The /aɪ/ sound spelt -y at the end of words</p>	<p>This is by far the most common spelling for this sound at the end of words.</p>	<p>cry, fly, dry, try, reply, July</p>
<p>Adding -es to nouns and verbs ending in -y</p>	<p>The y is changed to i before -es is added.</p>	<p>flies, tries, replies, copies, babies, carries</p>
<p>Adding -ed, -ing, -er and -est to a root word ending in -y with a consonant before it</p>	<p>The y is changed to i before -ed, -er and -est are added, but not before -ing as this would result in ii. The only ordinary words with ii are <i>skiing</i> and <i>taxiing</i>.</p>	<p>copied, copier, happier, happiest, cried, replied ...but copying, crying, replying</p>

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<p>Adding the endings -ing, -ed, -er, -est and -y to words ending in -e with a consonant before it</p>	<p>The -e at the end of the root word is dropped before -ing, -ed, -er, -est, -y or any other suffix beginning with a vowel letter is added. Exception: <i>being</i>.</p>	<p>hiking, hiked, hiker, nicer, nicest, shiny</p>
<p>Adding -ing, -ed, -er, -est and -y to words of one syllable ending in a single consonant letter after a single vowel letter</p>	<p>The last consonant letter of the root word is doubled to keep the /æ/, /ɒ/, /ɒ̃/, /Ē/ and /ɜ / sound (i.e. to keep the vowel 'short').</p> <p>Exception: The letter 'x' is never doubled: <i>mixing, mixed, boxer, sixes</i>.</p>	<p>patting, patted, humming, hummed, dropping, dropped, sadder, saddest, fatter, fattest, runner, runny</p>
<p>The /G:/ sound spelt a before l and ll</p>	<p>The /G:/ sound ('or') is usually spelt as a before l and ll.</p>	<p>all, ball, call, walk, talk,</p>
<p>The /ɜ / sound spelt o</p>		<p>other, mother, brother, nothing, Monday</p>
<p>The /i:/ sound spelt -ey</p>	<p>The plural of these words is formed by the addition of -s (<i>donkeys, monkeys, etc.</i>).</p>	<p>key, donkey, monkey, chimney, valley</p>

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The / <i>æ</i> / sound spelt a after w and qu	a is the most common spelling for the / <i>æ</i> / ('hot') sound after w and qu .	want, watch, wander, quantity, squash
The / <i>ɔː</i> / sound spelt or after w	There are not many of these words.	word, work, worm, world, worth
The / <i>ɜː</i> / sound spelt ar after w	There are not many of these words.	war, warm, towards
The / <i>z</i> / sound spelt s		television, treasure,
The suffixes -ment, -ness, -ful , -less and -ly	<p>If a suffix starts with a consonant letter, it is added straight on to most root words without any change to the last letter of those words.</p> <p>Exceptions:</p> <p>(1) <i>argument</i></p> <p>(2) root words ending in -y with a consonant before it but only if the root word has more than one syllable.</p>	<p>enjoyment, sadness, careful, playful, hopeless, plainness (plain + ness), badly</p> <p>merriment, happiness, plentiful, penniless, happily</p>

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<p>Contractions</p>	<p>In contractions, the apostrophe shows where a letter or letters would be if the words were written in full (e.g. <i>can't</i> - <i>cannot</i>).</p> <p><i>It's</i> means <i>it is</i> (e.g. <i>It's</i> raining) or sometimes <i>it has</i> (e.g. <i>It's</i> been raining), but <i>it's</i> is never used for the possessive.</p>	<p>can't, didn't, hasn't, couldn't, it's, I'll</p>
<p>The possessive apostrophe (singular nouns)</p>		<p>Megan's, Ravi's, the girl's, the child's, the man's</p>
<p>Words ending in -tion</p>		<p>station, fiction, motion, national, section</p>
<p>Homophones and near-homophones</p>	<p>It is important to know the difference in meaning between homophones.</p>	<p>there/their/they're, here/hear, quite/quiet, see/sea, bare/bear, one/won, sun/son, to/too/two, be/bee, blue/blew, night/knight</p>
<p>Common exception words</p>	<p>Some words are exceptions in some accents but not in others - e.g. <i>past</i>, <i>last</i>, <i>fast</i>, <i>path</i> and <i>bath</i> are not exceptions in accents where the a in these words is pronounced /æ/, as in <i>cat</i>.</p> <p><i>Great</i>, <i>break</i> and <i>steak</i> are the only common words where the /eɪ/</p>	<p>door, floor, poor, because, find, kind, mind, behind, child, children*, wild, climb, most, only, both, old, cold, gold, hold, told, every, everybody, even, great, break, steak, pretty, beautiful, after, fast, last, past, father, class, grass, pass, plant, path, bath, hour, move, prove, improve, sure, sugar, eye, could, should, would, who, whole, any, many, clothes, busy, people, water, again, half, money, Mr, Mrs, parents, Christmas - and/or others according to programme used.</p>

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	sound is spelt ea .	Note: 'children' is not an exception to what has been taught so far but is included because of its relationship with the child
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Year 3 Spellings		
Revise from the previous years Rules when adding suffixes		
Sounds	Rules and guidance	Example words
Adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable	If the last syllable of a word is stressed and ends with one consonant letter which has just one vowel letter before it, the final consonant letter is doubled before any ending beginning with a vowel letter is added. The consonant letter is not doubled if the syllable is unstressed.	forgetting, forgotten, beginning, beginner, prefer, preferred gardening, gardener, limiting, limited, limitation
The / ^h ŷ/ sound spelt y elsewhere than at the end of words	These words should be learnt as needed.	myth, gym, Egypt, pyramid, mystery
The /ʊ/ sound spelt ou	These words should be learnt as needed.	young, touch, double, trouble, country

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More prefixes	Most prefixes are added to the beginning of root words without any changes in spelling, but see in- below.	More prefixes
The suffix -ation	The suffix -ation is added to verbs to form nouns. The rules already learnt still apply.	information, adoration, sensation, preparation, admiration

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<p>The suffix -ly</p>	<p>The suffix -ly is added to an adjective to form an adverb. The rules already learnt still apply.</p> <p>The suffix -ly starts with a consonant letter, so it is added straight on to most root words.</p> <p>Exceptions:</p> <p>(1) If the root word ends in -y with a consonant letter before it, the y is changed to i, but only if the root word has more than one syllable</p> <p>(2) If the root word ends with -le, the -le is changed to -ly.</p> <p>(3) If the root word ends with -ic, -ally is added rather than just -ly, except in the word <i>publicly</i>.</p> <p>(4) The words <i>truly, duly, wholly</i></p>	<p>sadly, completely, usually (usual + ly), finally (final + ly), comically (comical + ly)</p> <p>Happily, angrily</p> <p>Gently, simply, humbly</p> <p>Basically, frantically, dramatically</p>
<p>Words with endings sounding like /ʒə/ or /tʃə/</p>	<p>The ending sounding like /ʒə/ is always spelt -sure.</p> <p>The ending sounding like /tʃə/ is often spelt -ture, but check that the word is not a root word ending</p>	<p>measure, treasure, pleasure, enclosure</p> <p>creature, furniture, picture, nature, adventure</p>

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	in (t)ch with an er ending - e.g. <i>teacher, catcher, richer, stretcher</i> .	
Endings which sound like /ʒən/	If the ending sounds like /ʒən/, it is spelt as -sion .	division, invasion, confusion, decision, collision, television

Year 4 Spellings		
Revise previous Yr 3 spellings		
Sounds	Rules and Guidance	Example words
The suffix -ous	<p>Sometimes the root word is obvious and the usual rules apply for adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters.</p> <p>Sometimes there is no obvious root word.</p> <p>-our is changed to -or before -ous is added.</p> <p>A final 'e' of the root word must be kept if the /dʒ/ sound of 'g' is to be kept.</p> <p>If there is an /i:/ sound before the -ous ending, it is usually spelt as i, but a few words have e.</p>	<p>poisonous, dangerous, mountainous, famous, various</p> <p>tremendous, enormous, jealous</p> <p>humorous, glamorous, vigorous</p> <p>courageous, outrageous</p> <p>serious, obvious, curious hideous, spontaneous,</p>
Endings which sound like /ʃən/, spelt -tion, -sion, -ssion, -cian	Strictly speaking, the suffixes are -ion and -ian . Clues about whether to put t , s , ss or c before these suffixes often come from the last letter or letters of the root word.	invention, injection, action, hesitation, completion expression, discussion, confession, permission, admission

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	<p>-tion is the most common spelling. It is used if the root word ends in t or te.</p> <p>-ssion is used if the root word ends in ss or -mit.</p> <p>-sion is used if the root word ends in d or se. Exceptions: <i>attend - attention, intend - intention</i>.</p> <p>-cian is used if the root word ends in c or cs.</p>	<p>expansion, extension, comprehension, tension</p> <p>musician, electrician, magician, politician, mathematician</p>
Words with the /k/ sound spelt ch (Greek in origin)		scheme, chorus, chemist, echo, character
Words with the /ʃ/ sound spelt ch (mostly French in origin)		chef, chalet, machine, brochure
Words ending with the /g/ sound spelt -gue and the /k/ sound spelt -que (French in origin)		league, tongue, antique, unique
Words with the /s/ sound spelt sc (Latin in origin)	In the Latin words from which these words come, the Romans probably pronounced the c and the k as two sounds rather than one - /s/ /k/.	science, scene, discipline, fascinate, crescent

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Words with the /eɪ/ sound spelt ei, eigh, or ey		vein, weigh, eight, neighbour, they, obey
Possessive apostrophe with plural words	The apostrophe is placed after the plural form of the word; -s is not added if the plural already ends in -s , but <i>is</i> added if the plural does not end in -s (i.e. is an irregular plural - e.g. <i>children's</i>).	girls', boys', babies', children's, men's, mice's (Note: singular proper nouns ending in an <i>s</i> use the 's suffix e.g. Cyprus's population)

Year 5 Spellings		
Revise previous Yr 3 spellings		
Sounds	Rules and Guidance	Example words
Endings which sound like /ʃəs/ spelt -cious or -tious	Not many common words end like this. If the root word ends in -ce , the /ʃ/ sound is usually spelt as c - e.g. <i>vice - vicious, grace - gracious, space - spacious, malice - malicious</i> . Exception: <i>anxious</i> .	vicious, precious, conscious, delicious, malicious, suspicious ambitious, cautious, fictitious, infectious, nutritious
Endings which sound like /ʃəl/	-cial is common after a vowel letter and -tial after a consonant letter, but there are some exceptions.	official, special, artificial, partial,

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	<p>Exceptions: initial, financial, commercial, provincial (the spelling of the last three is clearly related to <i>finance</i>, <i>commerce</i> and <i>province</i>).</p>	confidential, essential
<p>Words ending in -ant, -ance/-ancy, -ent, -ence/-ency</p>	<p>Use -ant and -ance/-ancy if there is a related word with a /æ/ or /e/ sound in the right position; -ation endings are often a clue.</p> <p>Use -ent and -ence/-ency after soft c (/s/ sound), soft g (/dʒ/ sound) and qu, or if there is a related word with a clear /q/ sound in the right position.</p> <p>There are many words, however, where the above guidance does not help. These words just have to be learnt.</p>	<p>observant, observance, (observation), expectant (expectation), hesitant, hesitancy (hesitation), tolerant, tolerance (toleration), substance (substantial)</p> <p>innocent, innocence, decent, decency, frequent, frequency, confident, confidence (confidential)</p> <p>assistant, assistance, obedient, obedience, independent, independence</p>
<p>Words ending in -able and -ible</p> <p>Words ending in -ably and -ibly</p>	<p>The -able/-ably endings are far more common than the -ible/-ibly endings.</p> <p>As with -ant and -ance/-ancy, the -able ending is used if there is a related word ending in -ation.</p> <p>If the -able ending is added to a word ending in -ce or -ge, the e after the c or g must be kept as those letters would otherwise have their 'hard' sounds (as in <i>cap</i> and <i>gap</i>) before the a of the -able</p>	<p>adorable/adorably (adoration),</p> <p>applicable/applicably (application), considerable/considerably (consideration), tolerable/tolerably (toleration)</p> <p>changeable, noticeable, forcible, legible</p> <p>dependable, comfortable, understandable, reasonable, enjoyable, reliable</p> <p>possible/possibly, horrible/horribly,</p>

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	<p>ending.</p> <p>The -able ending is usually but not always used if a complete root word can be heard before it, even if there is no related word ending in -ation. The first five examples opposite are obvious; in <i>reliable</i>, the complete word <i>rely</i> is heard, but the y changes to i in accordance with the rule.</p> <p>The -ible ending is common if a complete root word can't be heard before it but it also sometimes occurs when a complete word <i>can</i> be heard (e.g. <i>sensible</i>).</p>	<p>terrible/terribly, visible/visibly, incredible/incredibly, sensible/sensibly</p>
<p>Adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words ending in -fer</p>	<p>The r is doubled if the -fer is still stressed when the ending is added.</p> <p>The r is not doubled if the -fer is no longer stressed.</p>	<p>referring, referred, referral, preferring, preferred, transferring, transferred</p> <p>reference, referee, preference, transference</p>
<p>Use of the hyphen</p>	<p>Hyphens can be used to join a prefix to a root word, especially if the prefix ends in a vowel letter and the root word also begins with one.</p>	<p>co-ordinate, re-enter, co-operate, co-own</p>

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Year 6 Spellings		
Revise previous Yr 5 spellings		
Sounds	Rules and Guidance	Example words
Words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c	<p>The 'i before e except after c' rule applies to words where the sound spelt by ei is /i:/.</p> <p>Exceptions: <i>protein, caffeine, seize</i> (and <i>either</i> and <i>neither</i> if pronounced with an initial /i:/ sound).</p>	deceive, conceive, receive, perceive, ceiling
Words containing the letter-string ough	<p>ough is one of the trickiest spellings in English - it can be used to spell a number of different sounds.</p>	<p>ought, bought, thought, nought, brought, fought</p> <p>rough, tough, enough</p> <p>cough</p> <p>though, although, dough</p> <p>through</p> <p>thorough, borough</p> <p>plough, bough</p>
Words with 'silent' letters (i.e. letters whose presence cannot be predicted from the pronunciation of the word)	<p>Some letters which are no longer sounded used to be sounded hundreds of years ago: e.g. in <i>knight</i>, there was a /k/ sound before the /n/, and the gh used to represent the sound that 'ch' now represents in the Scottish word <i>loch</i>.</p>	doubt, island, lamb, solemn, thistle, knight

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<p>Homophones and other words that are often confused</p>	<p>In the pairs of words opposite, nouns end - ce and verbs end -se. <i>Advice</i> and <i>advise</i> provide a useful clue as the word <i>advise</i> (verb) is pronounced with a /z/ sound - which could not be spelt c.</p> <p><u>More examples:</u></p> <p>aisle: a gangway between seats (in a church, train, plane). isle: an island.</p> <p>aloud: out loud. allowed: permitted.</p> <p>affect: usually a verb (e.g. <i>The weather may affect our plans</i>). effect: usually a noun (e.g. <i>It may have an effect on our plans</i>). If a verb, it means 'bring about' (e.g. <i>He will effect changes in the running of the business</i>).</p> <p>altar: a table-like piece of furniture in a church. alter: to change.</p> <p>cent: the act of ascending (going up). assent: to agree/agreement (verb and noun).</p> <p>dal: to do with a bride at a wedding. bridle: reins etc. for controlling a horse.</p> <p>real: made from grain (e.g. breakfast cereal). serial: adjective from the noun <i>series</i> - a succession of things one after the other.</p> <p>compliment: to make nice remarks about</p>	<p>advice/advise</p> <p>device/devise</p> <p>licence/license</p> <p>practice/practise</p> <p>prophecy/prophesy</p> <p>farther: further father: a male parent</p> <p>essed: past tense of the verb <i>guess</i> guest: visitor</p> <p>ard: past tense of the verb <i>hear</i> herd: a group of animals</p> <p>d: past tense of the verb <i>lead</i> lead: present tense of that verb, or else the metal which is very heavy (<i>as heavy as lead</i>)</p> <p>orning: before noon mourning: grieving for someone who has died</p> <p>st: noun or adjective referring to a previous time (e.g. <i>In the past</i>) or preposition or adverb showing place (e.g. <i>he walked past me</i>) passed: past tense of the verb 'pass' (e.g. <i>I passed him in the road</i>)</p> <p>ecede: go in front of or before proceed: go on</p>
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	<p>someone (verb) or the remark that is made (noun). complement: related to the word <i>complete</i> - to make something complete or more complete (e.g. <i>her scarf complemented her outfit</i>).</p>	
<p>Homophones and other words that are often confused (continued)</p>	<p>descent: the act of descending (going down). dissent: to disagree/disagreement (verb and noun).</p> <p>desert: as a noun - a barren place (stress on first syllable); as a verb - to abandon (stress on second syllable) dessert: (stress on second syllable) a sweet course after the main course of a meal.</p> <p>draft: noun - a first attempt at writing something; verb - to make the first attempt; also, to draw in someone (e.g. <i>to draft in extra help</i>) draught: a current of air.</p>	<p>principal: adjective - most important (e.g. <i>principal ballerina</i>) noun - important person (e.g. <i>principal of a college</i>) principle: basic truth or belief</p> <p>profit: money that is made in selling things prophet: someone who foretells the future</p> <p>stationary: not moving stationery: paper, envelopes etc.</p> <p>steal: take something that does not belong to you steel: metal</p> <p>wary: cautious weary: tired</p> <p>who's: contraction of <i>who is</i> or <i>who has</i> whose: belonging to someone (e.g. <i>Whose jacket is that?</i>)</p>
<p>Words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c</p>	<p>The 'i before e except after c' rule applies to words where the sound spelt by ei is /i:/.</p> <p>Exceptions: <i>protein, caffeine, seize</i> (and <i>either</i> and <i>neither</i> if pronounced with an initial /i:/ sound).</p>	<p>deceive, conceive, receive, perceive, ceiling</p>

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Appendix 2. Vocabulary, grammar and punctuation

Year 1	
Word	<p>Regular plural noun suffixes -s or -es [for example, <i>dog, dogs; wish, wishes</i>], including the effects of these suffixes on the meaning of the noun</p> <p>Suffixes that can be added to verbs where no change is needed in the spelling of root words (e.g. <i>helping, helped, helper</i>)</p> <p>How the prefix un- changes the meaning of verbs and adjectives [negation, for example, <i>unkind</i>, or <i>undoing: untie the boat</i>]</p>
Sentence	<p>How words can combine to make sentences</p> <p>Joining words and joining clauses using <i>and</i></p>
Text	<p>Sequencing sentences to form short narratives</p>
Punctuation	<p>Separation of words with spaces</p> <p>Introduction to capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences</p> <p>Capital letters for names and for the personal pronoun I</p>

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Terminology for pupils	letter, capital letter word, singular, plural sentence punctuation, full stop, question mark, exclamation mark
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Year 2	
Word	Formation of nouns using suffixes such as <i>-ness</i> , <i>-er</i> and by compounding [for example, <i>whiteboard</i> , <i>superman</i>] Formation of adjectives using suffixes such as <i>-ful</i> , <i>-less</i> (A fuller list of suffixes can be found on page 56 in the year 2 spelling section in English Appendix 1) Use of the suffixes <i>-er</i> , <i>-est</i> in adjectives and the use of <i>-ly</i> in Standard English to turn adjectives into adverbs
Sentence	Subordination (using <i>when</i> , <i>if</i> , <i>that</i> , <i>because</i>) and co-ordination (using <i>or</i> , <i>and</i> , <i>but</i>) Expanded noun phrases for description and specification [for example, <i>the blue butterfly</i> , <i>plain flour</i> , <i>the man in the moon</i>] How the grammatical patterns in a sentence indicate its function as a statement, question, exclamation or command

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Text	Correct choice and consistent use of present tense and past tense throughout writing Use of the progressive form of verbs in the present and past tense to mark actions in progress [for example, <i>she is drumming</i> , <i>he was shouting</i>]
Punctuation	Use of capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences Commas to separate items in a list Apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and to mark singular possession in nouns [for example, <i>the girl's name</i>]
Terminology for pupils	noun, noun phrase statement, question, exclamation, command compound, suffix adjective, adverb, verb tense (past, present) apostrophe, comma

Year 3

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Word	<p>Formation of nouns using a range of prefixes [for example <i>super-</i>, <i>anti-</i>, <i>auto-</i>]</p> <p>Use of the forms <i>a</i> or <i>an</i> according to whether the next word begins with a consonant or a vowel [for example, <i>a rock</i>, <i>an open box</i>]</p> <p>Word families based on common words, showing how words are related in form and meaning [for example, <i>solve</i>, <i>solution</i>, <i>solver</i>, <i>dissolve</i>, <i>insoluble</i>]</p>
Sentence	<p>Expressing time, place and cause using conjunctions [for example, <i>when</i>, <i>before</i>, <i>after</i>, <i>while</i>, <i>so</i>, <i>because</i>], adverbs [for example, <i>then</i>, <i>next</i>, <i>soon</i>, <i>therefore</i>], or prepositions [for example, <i>before</i>, <i>after</i>, <i>during</i>, <i>in</i>, <i>because of</i>]</p>
Text	<p>Introduction to paragraphs as a way to group related material</p> <p>Headings and sub-headings to aid presentation</p> <p>Use of the present perfect form of verbs instead of the simple past [for example, <i>He has gone out to play</i> contrasted with <i>He went out to play</i>]</p>
Punctuation	<p>Introduction to inverted commas to punctuate direct speech</p>
Terminology for pupils	<p>preposition conjunction</p> <p>word family, prefix</p> <p>clause, subordinate clause</p> <p>direct speech</p>

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	consonant, consonant letter vowel, vowel letter inverted commas (or 'speech marks')
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Year 4	
Word	The grammatical difference between plural and possessive -s Standard English forms for verb inflections instead of local spoken forms [for example, <i>we were</i> instead of <i>we was</i> , or <i>I did</i> instead of <i>I done</i>]
Sentence	Noun phrases expanded by the addition of modifying adjectives, nouns and preposition phrases (e.g. <i>the teacher</i> expanded to: <i>the strict maths teacher with curly hair</i>) Fronted adverbials [for example, <i>Later that day, I heard the bad news.</i>]

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Text	<p>Use of paragraphs to organise ideas around a theme</p> <p>Appropriate choice of pronoun or noun within and across sentences to aid cohesion and avoid repetition</p>
Punctuation	<p>Use of inverted commas and other punctuation to indicate direct speech [for example, a comma after the reporting clause; end punctuation within inverted commas: <i>The conductor shouted, "Sit down!"</i>]</p> <p>Apostrophes to mark plural possession [for example, <i>the girl's name, the girls' names</i>]</p> <p>Use of commas after fronted adverbials</p>
Terminology for pupils	<p>determiner</p> <p>pronoun, possessive pronoun</p>

Year 5	
Word	<p>Converting nouns or adjectives into verbs using suffixes [for example, <i>-ate; -ise; -ify</i>]</p> <p>Verb prefixes [for example, <i>dis-, de-, mis-, over- and re-</i>]</p>
Sentence	<p>Relative clauses beginning with <i>who, which, where, when, whose, that</i>, or an omitted relative pronoun</p> <p>Indicating degrees of possibility using adverbs [for example,</p>

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	<i>perhaps, surely</i>] or modal verbs [for example, <i>might, should, will, must</i>]
Text	<p>Devices to build cohesion within a paragraph [for example, <i>then, after that, this, firstly</i>]</p> <p>Linking ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time [for example, <i>later</i>], place [for example, <i>nearby</i>] and number [for example, <i>secondly</i>] or tense choices [for example, he <i>had</i> seen her before]</p>
Punctuation	<p>Brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis</p> <p>Use of commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity</p>
Terminology for pupils	<p>modal verb, relative pronoun</p> <p>relative clause</p> <p>parenthesis, bracket, dash</p> <p>cohesion, ambiguity</p>

Year 6	
Word	<p>The difference between vocabulary typical of informal speech and vocabulary appropriate for formal speech and writing [for example, <i>find out - discover; ask for - request; go in - enter</i>]</p> <p>How words are related by meaning as synonyms and antonyms [for example, <i>big, large, little</i>].</p>

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Sentence	<p>Use of the passive to affect the presentation of information in a sentence [for example, <i>I broke the window in the greenhouse</i> versus <i>The window in the greenhouse was broken (by me)</i>].</p> <p>The difference between structures typical of informal speech and structures appropriate for formal speech and writing [for example, the use of question tags: <i>He's your friend, isn't he?</i>, or the use of subjunctive forms such as <i>If <u>I were</u></i> or <i><u>Were they</u> to come</i> in some very formal writing and speech]</p>
Text	<p>Linking ideas across paragraphs using a wider range of cohesive devices: repetition of a word or phrase, grammatical connections [for example, the use of adverbials such as <i>on the other hand</i>, <i>in contrast</i>, or <i>as a consequence</i>], and ellipsis</p> <p>Layout devices [for example, headings, sub-headings, columns, bullets, or tables, to structure text]</p>
Punctuation	<p>Use of the semi-colon, colon and dash to mark the boundary between independent clauses [for example, <i>It's raining; I'm fed up</i>]</p> <p>Use of the colon to introduce a list and use of semi-colons within lists</p> <p>Punctuation of bullet points to list information</p> <p>How hyphens can be used to avoid ambiguity [for example, <i>man eating shark</i> versus <i>man-eating shark</i>, or <i>recover</i> versus <i>re-cover</i>]</p>
Terminology for pupils	<p>subject, object</p> <p>active, passive</p>

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	synonym, antonym ellipsis, hyphen, colon, semi-colon, bullet points
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