

Darley Dene Primary School - Writing Progression

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Transcription							
Use one-handed tools and equipment. Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils. Show a preference for a dominant hand.	Use their phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds. Write some irregular common words. Irregular words do not fit the typical lettersound correspondence . Certain high-frequency words, such as 'do' and 'to' are irregular.	Spell words containing the 40+ phonemes, common exception words and days of the week Phonemes are the smallest units of sound within a language. Name letters of the alphabet	Learn alternative spelling phonemes Spell common exception words, contractions and homophones	Use a wider range of prefixes and suffixes Spell wide range of homophones Spell words that are often misspelt Use possessive apostrophe for plurals Plural means more than one Use a dictionary to spell words correctly	Use a wider range of prefixes and suffixes Spell wide range of homophones Spell words that are often misspelt Use possessive apostrophe for plurals Use a dictionary to spell words correctly	Use a further range of suffixes and prefixes Spell some words with silent letters Continue to distinguish between homophones and other words that are often confused Use knowledge of morphology and etymology as a strategy for spelling	Use a further range of suffixes and prefixes Spell some words with silent letters Continue to distinguish between homophones and other words that are often confused Use knowledge of morphology and etymology as a strategy for spelling

Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can: spot and suggest rhymes - count or clap syllables in a word recognise words with the same initial sound, such as money and mother **Engage in** extended conversations about stories. learning new vocabulary.

Spell some words correctly and others that are phoneticallyplausible

Handle equipment and tools effectively, including pencils for writing

Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient.

Using the tripod grip in almost all cases.

Add suffix -s and -es to create plural nouns/3rd person singular for verbs

Use prefix un-

Use -ing, -ed, er and -est where root word remains unchanged

Write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher

Sit correctly at table holding pencil correctly

Contractions can be used to join two separate words in order to create one shorter word. We do this by using an apostrophe (') to show that we have left out some letters when joining words together.

Homophones are words that sound the same but have different meanings.

Use the possessive apostrophe (singular)

Add suffixes ment, -ness, ful, -less, -ly

A dictionary is a list of words or phrases and their definitions arranged in alphabetical order. In an **English** dictionary you'll find words beginning with 'a' at the front and 'z' at the back. There are lots of words in the English language which begin with 'a', so

Write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher

it's not just the

important.

first letter that is

Use the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters

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Know which letters are best left unjoined

Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of handwriting

they're formed and their relationship with other words in the same language. Morphology analysis the structure of words, such as stems, root words, prefixes, and suffixes, and

Morphology is

the study of

words, how

Etymology is the study of words, including how they got their meanings and how words develop throughout history.

parts of words.

Use dictionaries to check spelling and meaning of new words (using first 3 letters)

Use a thesaurus

Write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed Choose the writing implement best suited to the task

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; writing 'm' for mummy. Write some or all of their name. Write some letters	A tripod grip is when the thumb, index finger and middle finger work together to pick up small objects. Write short sentences with words with known lettersound correspondences using a capital letter and full stop. Write recognisable	Begin to form correctly-oriented lower-case letters, capital letters and digits 0-9	Form lower-case letters of correct size/proportion Start using diagonal/horizo ntal strokes to join and know which are best left unjoined Write capital letters of the right size, orientation and proportion Use correct spacing between letters and words	Know which letters are best left unjoined Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of handwriting	Use dictionaries to check spelling and meaning of new words (using first 3 letters) Use a thesaurus If you look up a word in a thesaurus it will show you a list of synonyms. These are other words that mean the same thing or something similar.	
accurately	letters, most of which are correctly formed.		Write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher		Write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed Choose the writing implement best suited to the task.	

Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters. Grammar and Punctuation						
Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves	Leave spaces between words Use punctuation for sentences using capital letter, full stop, question mark and exclamation mark Use capital letter for names of people, places, days of the week and pronoun 'I'.	Use commas in lists A comma is a punctuation mark that separates items in a list and marks the divisions within sentences. Use apostrophes for the contracted form	Use wider range of subordinating conjunctions (before, after, while, when, if, because, although) A subordinating conjunction is simply the word/words that is used to join a subordinating clause to another clause or sentence.	Choose nouns/pronouns accurately for clarity and cohesion Use fronted adverbials (adverbs, phrases and subordinate clauses)	Use relative clauses with relative pronouns who, which, where, whose, that, when A relative clause is a type of subordinate clause that gives extra information about a noun. It's connected to the main clause of a sentence using a relative pronoun.	Use active/passive voice for effect

	Use "and" to join words and clauses A clause is a sentence which always contains a subject (the thing doing the verb) and a verb (an action word).	Use apostrophes for singular possession Use sentences with different forms: statements, commands, questions and exclamations Statements are the most common type of sentence. They tell the reader a fact or idea about a single topic. They must always end in punctuation, usually a full stop.	Use present perfect verb tense (I have seen) The present perfect tense is used to describe actions that happened in the past but that are related to the present. To form the present perfect tense, we use the words 'has' or 'have' and add them to the beginning of a past tense verb. Express time, place and cause using conjunctions (when, before, after, while, because)	Fronted adverbials are words or phrases placed at the beginning of a sentence which are used to describe the action that follows. Use commas after fronted adverbials Use apostrophe for plural possession Punctuate direct speech with inverted commas Know the difference between Standard/non- Standard English	Indicate possibility using adverbs (maybe, possibly, perhaps, definitely) and modal verbs (shall, may, might, must, could etc) Build cohesion within a paragraph Link ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time, place and number or by varying tense Indicate parenthesis using brackets, dashes and commas	A sentence is written in an active voice when the subject of the sentence is performing the action. A sentence is written in passive voice when the subject of the sentence has something done to it by someone or something. Use perfect form to indicate time/cause Use hyphens to avoid ambiguity Use colons to introduce a list and mark boundaries between clauses
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	Command sentences are used when you are telling someone to do something. Commands usually start with an imperative verb, also known as a 'bossy verb', because they tell someone to do something.	Express time, place and cause using adverbs (then, next, soon, therefore) An adverb is a word that describes a verb. Express time, place and cause using prepositions (before, after, during, in, because of) A preposition is a word that tells you where or when something is in relation to something else. Punctuate direct speech with inverted commas	Standard English is the form of English that is taught around the world and understood by all speakers of the language. Non-standard English is the informal version of the language, which can change depending on where it is being spoken.	Parenthesis is the use of a word, phrase or sentence in writing, as extra information or an afterthought, punctuated by commas, brackets or dashes. Use commas to clarify meaning/avoid ambiguity Use expanded noun phrases for accuracy. Expanded noun phrases add more detail to the noun by adding one or more adjectives.	A hyphen is a punctuation mark - used to divide or to compound words or word elements. Use semi-colons in a longer list and to mark boundaries between clauses
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	A question is a type of sentence that we ask or write to gain further information from a person or people responding. Written questions are punctuated with a question mark to show that the sentence has been completed. Exclamations begin with 'what' or 'how' and end in an exclamation mark. They are full sentences, which include a verb, and show surprise or express feeling.	Inverted commas are punctuation marks which signal to the reader where spoken words begin and end within a sentence. Use the forms a or an according to whether the next word begins with a consonant or a vowel A consonant is any letter of the alphabet other than the vowels (a, e, i, o, u).	or must vin classes or	f colon is a type of punctuation chark that is sed to separate wo chependent lauses within a centence. colons are different to cemicolons, and chey're often sed in centences to chicate that an explanation, list of facts, or a diece of dialogue is bout to follow. cunctuate cullet points onsistently
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	Use expanded noun phrases Expanded noun phrases add more detail to the noun by adding one or more adjectives. Use present/past tense including progressive The present tense is used when something is happening now or when something happens regularly.		Bullets or bullet points are organisational devices made up of small dots or symbols. They are used to indicate separate items in a list. Use wider range of cohesive devices (repetition of word/phrase, adverbials and ellipsis) An ellipsis (sometimes referred to as dot dot dot) is a punctuation mark we use to indicate that words are missing.
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features of Standard English Language and Vocabulary

Listen attentively to a range of stories Listen to stories, anticipating key events Respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions Understand how language can be used in narrative and non-fiction (eg to build surprise/prese nt facts) A narrative is a piece of writing that focuses on telling a story. The information in non-fiction books is factual.	Recognise and use simple recurring literary language in stories and poems Discuss and clarify meanings of new words, making links to known vocabulary Use drama and role- play to identify with and explore characters	Use similar writing to identify and understand vocabulary and language ("magpie" words and phrases to use in own writing) Create characters, setting and plot A character is someone in a story - either a human, a fantastical or mythical creature. A setting is where and when a story is set. The plot is the main sequence of events of a fictional story.	Broaden range of figurative language to include metaphors, personification and repetition A metaphor is a word or a phrase used to describe something as if it were something else. Personification is a figurative device in which human attributes or feelings are given to an inanimate object or thing as if it were human.	Use knowledge of language from stories, plays and poetry to enhance the effectiveness of their writing Plays are written for people to perform. The script is a written down version of the play. It uses dialogue, stage directions and tells the actors how to say the lines. Select appropriate language and vocabulary to reflect their understanding of audience and purpose	Use knowledge of language from stories, plays and poetry to enhance the effectiveness of their writing Select appropriate language and vocabulary to reflect their understanding of audience and purpose Become familiar with the language of writing eg figurative language, imagery, style and effect
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	Change meaning of adjectives/ver bs using prefix un An adjective is a word that describes a noun (the name of a thing or a place). Verbs can be used to describe an action, that's doing something. The prefix un- usually means not, so the new word means the opposite of the original.	Use suffixes -ful, -less, - ness, -ly, -er and -est to form and modify nouns, adjectives and adverbs	Use varied and rich vocabulary including: adjectives, expanded noun phrases, adverbs, preposition phrases, collective nouns, similes and alliteration A collective noun must be a noun that is used to represent a group of people, animals, or objects. A simile describes something by comparing it to something else, using like or as. Alliteration is when words start with the same sound.	Repetition is when a single word or phrase is used multiple times in short succession for effect. It can help emphasise a point. Begin to interweave character, setting, plot and dialogue	The audience of a text refers to the intended readers. An audience can be defined in many ways. It could be: an age group, for example teenagers or adults.	Develop characters, settings and atmosphere using language and vocabulary from reading/books Integrate dialogue to advance action and convey character Evaluate how authors use language and consider effect on the reader Use dictionaries (and thesauruses) to check meaning of new words/language
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	Vary sentences openers for effect eg adverbs, preposition phrases and subordinate clauses Discuss words and features of texts that capture the reader's interesting and the subordinate clauses.	consideration of what the author of a particular text was intending when they wrote it, and how they wanted their reader to feel when reading, or what reaction they wanted to encourage. The purpose of	
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	Become familiar with the language of writing eg figurative language, imagery, style and effect	
	Figurative language is the use of non-literal phrases or words to create further meaning in writing or speech.	
	Imagery is when a writer uses very descriptive language, sometimes figurative language (like similes, metaphors, and personification) to appeal to all of your senses.	

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Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense.	Say out loud what they are going to write about Compose sentences orally before writing Orally means to speak aloud. Re-read what they have written to check it makes sense Discuss what they have written with teacher/pupils	Plan/say aloud what they are going to write, sentence by sentence Write down key ideas/words/vocabulary Evaluate own writing with teacher/other pupils Re-read for sense and verb tense consistency Proof-read for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation	Draw on examples of writing (structure, vocabulary and grammar) when planning their own work Discuss and record ideas Compose and practise sentences orally using an increasingly wide range of vocabulary and sentence structure Assess own and others' writing, suggesting improvements Suggest changes to grammar and vocabulary	Draw on examples of writing (structure, vocabulary and grammar) when planning their own work Discuss and record ideas Compose and practise sentences orally using an increasingly wide range of vocabulary and sentence structure Assess own and others' writing, suggesting improvements Suggest changes to grammar and vocabulary	Use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words Identify audience and purpose when writing Note and develop initial ideas drawing on reading Select appropriate grammar and punctuation and understand how these can change/enhanc e meaning	Use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words Identify audience and purpose when writing Note and develop initial ideas drawing on reading Select appropriate grammar and punctuation and understand how these can change/enhanc e meaning Assess effectiveness of own and others' writing
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		Proof-read work for spelling and punctuation errors	Proof-read work for spelling and punctuation errors	Select appropriate grammar and punctuation and understand how these can change/enhanc e meaning	Propose changes to grammar, punctuation and vocabulary to enhance meaning/effecti veness
				Assess effectiveness of own and others' writing Propose changes to grammar, punctuation and vocabulary to enhance	Choose the appropriate register (formal/informal)
				meaning/effectiveness Choose the appropriate register (formal/informal)	

		Formal writing, often, uses more jargon, including technical or specialist words. Formal writing often avoids using 'I or 'you'.	
		Informal writing can use sentences, paragraphs, vocabulary, and punctuation much more freely for dramatic effect or simply to sound relaxed, chatty and friendly.	
Text Structures and Features			

	Become familiar with and retell key stories, fairy stories and traditional tales Recognise and join in predictable phrases and use these in their writing Sequence sentences to form short narratives	Draw on a wide range of stories, poems, plays and information books and understand their features Become increasingly familiar with and retell a wider range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales Recognise simple, recurring language and discuss favourite words and phrases	wide range of stories, poetry, plays, myths, legends, nonfiction and reference books Retell stories orally Recognise themes eg good over evil, use of magical devices Be exposed to books that are structured in different ways Identify how language, structure, vocabulary, grammar and presentation contribute to meaning Organise paragraphs around a theme	Build on KS1 wide range of stories, poetry, plays, myths, legends, non- fiction and reference books Retell stories orally Recognise themes eg good over evil, use of magical devices Be exposed to books that are structured in different ways Identify how language, structure, vocabulary, grammar and presentation contribute to meaning Organise paragraphs around a theme	Summarise and present familiar stories in their own words Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph using evidence Use knowledge of language and structure gained from stories, plays, poetry and nonfiction in their writing Reflect understanding of audience and purpose through choice of grammar, vocabulary and structure	Use knowledge of language and structure gained from stories, plays, poetry and non-fiction in their writing Reflect understanding of audience and purpose through choice of grammar, vocabulary and structure Summarise and present familiar stories in their own words Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph using evidence
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	Sequencing a story means identifying the main narrative components — the beginning, middle, and end—as a first step towards retelling the events of the story in logical order.	Understand the structure of non-fiction books Write for different purposes including narratives (real and fictional), real events and poetry Fiction is made up, you need to use your imagination when you are writing it.	Build cohesion within a paragraph Paragraphs are a collection of sentences. They are used in writing to introduce new sections of a story, characters or pieces of information. Paragraphs help readers to enjoy what has been written because they break text up into easy-to- read sections. Write for a range of purposes Link ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time, place and number or by varying tense	Build cohesion within a paragraph Link ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time, place and number or by varying tense Locate information using contents, index and glossaries The contents page is found at the front of the book and tells you what is in each chapter. The index is usually at the back of the book and tells you about the facts you can find on particular pages. It is in alphabetical order.	In fiction, consider how authors develop character and setting Be exposed to wide range of books including myths, legends, fairy stories, modern fiction, fiction from literary heritage and books from other cultures Evaluate how authors use language and consider effect on the reader Use a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs	Evaluate how authors use language and consider effect on the reader Use a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs Use further organisational and presentational devices to structure text
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	A poem is made up of words and some words rhyme. Some poems have a fast rhythm, while others are slow. Structure and sequence ideas orally and (where appropriate) through drama and role-play	Information using contents, index and glossaries Use simple organisational devices eg headings, sub- headings The title of a piece of writing, usually used for Non-Fiction, which may then be broken down further using a sub-heading. A sub-heading is a mini-headline given to a subsection or paragraph within a main piece of writing.	A glossary is an alphabetical list of the commonly unknown words with their definitions. Use simple organisational devices eg headings, subheadings	Use further organisational and presentational devices to structure text	
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Highlighted Text = Sonar Objectives

Italicized Text = ELGs