

Medium Term Planning-Writing (2023-2024) - Year 6

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1 (SATs)	Summer 2
Purpose	To entertain	To entertain To express	To influence	To inform	To entertain	To guide
Form	-Classic poetry (WW1) - Contemporary narrative	- Recount diary - (Nazi Soldier) - Historical narrative	- Recount (newspaper) - Persuasion arguments	- non-chronological report - Discussion Texts	- Form poetry (rap) - horror story	- transition
Text	- Skellig	- Once	- Kensuke's Kingdom	- Holes	- Coraline	- Unforgotten Coat
Paragraph and sentences	- In narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action - Ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural, distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate register - Using relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with an implied (i.e. omitted) relative pronoun	- In narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action - Using a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs - Using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely - Devices to build cohesion, including adverbials of time, place and number	- 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 - Ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural, distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate register - Using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely	- Précising 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 - Using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely	- In narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action (horror) - Ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural, distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate register - Devices to build cohesion, including adverbials of time, place and number	- Précising longer passages - Devices to build cohesion, including adverbials of time, place and number

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Vocabulary and punctuation	- Selecting appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning - Ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing - Use of ellipsis - Using semicolons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses - Differences in informal and formal language	- Ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing - Using modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility - Using brackets, dashes, commas and hyphens to indicate parenthesis, clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing - Using semicolons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses - Differences in informal and formal language	- Ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing - Using modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility - Recognising vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing, including subjunctive forms - Using the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause	- 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 brackets, dashes, commas and hyphens to indicate parenthesis, clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing - Punctuating bullet points consistently	- Using the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause - Use of ellipsis - Using semicolons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses	- Using a colon to introduce a list - Punctuating bullet points consistently
Contexts	- Humans (S) - WW1 (H)	- Electricity (S) - WW2 (H)	- Light (S) - Amazon (G)	- Evolution and inheritance (S) - Australia (G)	- Living things (1): classification (5) - Unheard Histories? (H)	Living things (2):habitats(5)What is life like in the Alps (G)

Spellings:

The following spelling strategies need to be taught across the year during your word and sentence work activities. Children need to be taught the 'rules' for these spellings, which should be identified on planning.

Statutory requirements	Rules and guidance (non-statutory)	Example words (non-statutory)		
Endings which sound like /ʃəs/ spelt	Not many common words end like this.	vicious, precious, conscious, delicious, malicious, suspicious		
-cious or -tious	If the root word ends in -ce, the /ʃ/ sound is usually spelt as c - e.g. vice - vicious, grace - gracious, space - spacious, malice - malicious.	ambitious, cautious, fictitious, infectious, nutritious		
	Exception: anxious.			
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, confidential, essential		
	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>).			
Words ending in -ant, -ance/-ancy, - ent, -ence/-ency	Use -ant and -ance/-ancy if there is a related word with a /æ/ or /eɪ/ sound in the right position; -ation endings are often a clue.	observant, observance, (observation), expectant (expectation), hesitant, hesitancy (hesitation), tolerant, tolerance (toleration), substance (substantial)		
	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 $/\epsilon$ / sound in the right position.	innocent, innocence, decent, decency, frequent, frequency, confident, confidence (confidential)		
	There are many words, however, where the above guidance does not help. These words just have to be learnt.	assistant, assistance, obedient, obedience, independent, independence		
Words ending in -able and -ible	The -able/-ably endings are far more common than the -ible/-ibly endings.	adorable/adorably (adoration),		
Words ending in -ably and -ibly	As with -ant and -ance/-ancy, the -able ending is used if there is a related word ending in -ation.	applicable/applicably (application), considerable/considerably (consideration), tolerable/tolerably (toleration)		
	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 cap and gap) before the a of the -able ending.	changeable, noticeable, forcible, legible		
	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 reliable, the complete word rely is heard, but the y changes to i in accordance with the rule.	dependable, comfortable, understandable, reasonable, enjoyable, reliable		
	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 can be heard (e.g. sensible).	possible/possibly, horrible/horribly, terrible/terribly, visible/visibly, incredible/incredibly, sensible/sensibly		
Adding suffixes beginning with vowel	The ${f r}$ is doubled if the - ${f fer}$ is still stressed when the ending is added.	referring, referred, referral, preferring, preferred, transferring, transferred		
letters to words ending in -fer	The ${f r}$ is not doubled if the - ${f fer}$ is no longer stressed.	reference, referee, preference, transference		

Use of the hyphen	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.	co-ordinate, re-enter, co-operate, co-own	
Words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c	The 'i before e except after c' rule applies to words where the sound spelt by ei is /i:/. Exceptions: protein, caffeine, seize (and either and neither if pronounced with an initial /i:/ sound).	deceive, conceive, receive, perceive, ceiling	
Words containing the letter-string ough	ough is one of the trickiest spellings in English - it can be used to spell a number of different sounds.	ought, bought, thought, nought, brought, fought / rough, tough, enough / cough / though, although, dough / through / thorough, borough / plough, bough	
Words with 'silent' letters (i.e. letters whose presence cannot be predicted from the pronunciation	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>	doubt, island, lamb, solemn, thistle, knight	
Homophones and other words that are often confused	In the pairs of words opposite, nouns end -ce and verbs end -se. Advice and advise provide a useful clue as the word advise (verb) is pronounced with a /z/ sound - which could not be spelt c.	advice/advise, device/devise, licence/license, practice/practise, prophecy/prophesy	
	More examples:	farther: further father: a male parent	
	aisle: a gangway between seats (in a church, train, plane). isle: an island.	quessed: past tense of the verb quess quest: visitor	
	aloud: out loud. allowed: permitted.	heard: past tense of the verb hear herd: a group of animals	
	affect: usually a verb (e.g. The weather may affect our plans). effect: usually a noun (e.g. It may have an effect on our plans). If a verb, it means 'bring about' (e.g. He will effect changes in the running of the business).	led: past tense of the verb lead lead: present tense of that verb, or else the metal which is very heavy (as heavy as lead)	
	altar: a table-like piece of furniture in a church, alter: to change.	morning: before noon / mourning: grieving for someone who has died	
	ascent: the act of ascending (going up). assent: to agree/agreement (verb and noun).	past: noun or adjective referring to a previous time (e.g. In the past) or preposition or adverb showing place (e.g. he walked past me) passed: past tense of the verb 'pass' (e.g. I passed him in the road)	
	bridal: to do with a bride at a wedding. bridle: reins etc. for controlling a horse.	precede: go in front of or before proceed: go on	
	cereal: made from grain (e.g. breakfast cereal). serial: adjective from the noun <i>series</i> - a succession of things one after the other.		
	compliment: to make nice remarks about 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. her scarf complemented her outfit).		
Homophones and other words that are often confused (continued)	descent: the act of descending (going down). dissent: to disagree/disagreement (verb and noun).	principal: adjective – most important (e.g. principal ballerina) noun – important person (e.g. principal of a college) principle: basic truth or belief	
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		profit: money that is made in selling things prophet: someone who foretells the future	
		stationary: not moving stationery: paper, envelopes etc.	

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.

draft: noun - a first attempt at writing something; verb - to make the first attempt; also, to draw in someone (e.g. to draft in extra help) draught: a current of air.

steal: take something that does not belong to you steel: metal wary: cautious weary: tired

who's: contraction of who is or who has whose: belonging to someone (e.g. Whose jacket is that?)

Word list - years 5 and 6

accommodate	communicate	definite	individual	persuade	shoulder
accompany	community	desperate	interfere	physical	signature
according	competition	desperare	interrupt	prejudice	sincere(ly)
achieve	•	determined	language	privilege	soldier
aggressive	conscience* conscious*	develop	leisure	profession	stomach
amateur	controversy	dictionary	lightning	programme	Stomach
ancient	,	disastrous	marvellous	pronunciation	sufficient
apparent	convenience	embarrass	mischievous	queue	suggest
appreciate	correspond	environment	muscle	recognise	symbol
attached		equip (-ped, -ment)	necessary	recommend	system
available	frequently	especially	neighbour	relevant	temperature
average	government	exaggerate	nuisance	restaurant	thorough
awkward	guarantee	excellent	occupy	rhyme	twelfth
bargain	harass	existence	occur	rhythm	variety
bruise	hindrance	explanation	opportunity	sacrifice	vegetable
category	identity	familiar	parliament	secretary	vehicle
cemetery	immediate(ly)	foreign		·	yacht
committee	criticise (critic + ise)	forty			/25
	curiosity				