Coverage and genre	Key Performance Indicator	Performance Standard
Nursery	40 - 60 Emerging:	
Captions, labels, lists, retell stories,		 Gives meaning to marks they make as
sentences about their own experience and		they draw, write and paint. • Begins to
sequencing.		break the flow of speech into words. •
		Continues a rhyming string. • Hears and
		says the initial sound in words. • Can
		segment the sounds in simple words and
		blend them together. • Links sounds to
		letters, naming and sounding the letters of
		the alphabet. • Uses some clearly
		identifiable letters to communicate
		meaning, representing some sounds
		correctly and in sequence. • Writes own
		name and other things such as labels,
		captions. • Attempts to write short
		sentences in meaningful contexts.
Reception		ELG:
Own name, captions, labels, lists, simple		Children use their phonic knowledge to
sentences (sometimes with basic		write words in ways which match their
punctuation), retell stories, recount and		spoken sounds. They also write some
sequencing, instructions.		irregular common words. They write simple
		sentences which can be read by themselves
		and others. Some words are spelt correctly
		and others are phonetically plausible.

Year 1	Begins to form lower-case letters in the	Reference to the KPIs
Revise reception text types.	correct direction, starting and finishing in the By the end of Y1 a child should be ab	
Sentences; dictionaries; recount; instructions,	right place. compose individual sentences orally and	
non-chronological reports; Narrative -	Writes sentences by: write them down and be able to spell a	
traditional and fairy tales / fantasy worlds /	1. sequencing sentences to form short	many of the words covered in Y1 (see appendix
familiar settings / range of cultures (beginning,	narratives;	1 of the national curriculum document) as well
middle and end). Poems; pattern and rhyme.	2. re-reading what has been written to check	as name the letters of the alphabet in order.
	that it makes sense.	A child is able to make phonically-plausible
NC 2014 - Programme of Study - Composition:	Spells words containing each of the 40+	attempts to spell words that have not yet been
Pupils should be taught to:	phonemes already taught	learnt and can form individual letters correctly.
• write sentences by:	Names the letters of the alphabet in order.	A child can:
- saying out loud what they are going to write	Writes from memory simple sentences dictated	ullet sound and blend unfamiliar printed words
about	by the teacher that include words using the	quickly and accurately using the phonic
- composing a sentence orally before writing it	GPCs and common exception words taught so	knowledge and skills that have already been
- sequencing sentences to form short	far.	learnt;
narratives	Introduces capital letters, full stops, question	 read back words that have been spelt;
- re-reading what they have written to check	marks and exclamation marks to demarcate	• spell some words in a phonically plausible way,
that it makes sense	sentences.	even if sometimes incorrectly;
• discuss what they have written with the		\cdot write simple dictated sentences that include
teacher or other pupils		words taught so far;
 read aloud their writing clearly enough to 		ullet demonstrate the skills and processes
be heard by their peers and the teacher		essential to writing by thinking aloud as they
		collect ideas, sequence the ideas, draft and re-
• I need to convey information and ideas in		read to check that the meaning is clear; and
simple non narrative forms.		 recognise sentence boundaries in spoken
 I need to begin to sequence ideas/events in order. 		sentences and use the vocabulary listed in
 I need to begin to use key features of 		appendix 2 of the national curriculum document
narrative.		when writing is discussed.

 I need to use formulaic phrases to open and close texts. I need to use familiar plots for structuring the opening, middle and end of my stories. I need to use appropriate, interesting and descriptive vocabulary. I need to begin to add detail by describing things. I need to punctuate simple sentences with capital letters and full stops and begin to use question marks and exclamation marks. I need to use simple connectives to link ideas [e.g. and/ but/ so/ then]. I need to use a range of sentence openers e.g. First/ Next/ Then/ Finally/ Last/ Name/ The/ My/ I/ He/ She/ It/ They. 		A child is able to form letters correctly and confidently. A child is beginning to use some of the distinctive features of standard English in their writing. 'Standard English' is defined in the glossary.
<u>Year 2</u> Revise text types from year 1.	Writes capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one	Reference to the KPIs By the end of Y2 a child's motor skills should
Revise text types from year 1. Instructions, explanations, non-chronological reports, narrative-setting and character descriptions, stories with familiar settings, traditional stories, stories by significant authors, different stories by the same author (beginning, middle and end), Poetry.	another and to lower case letters. Develops positive attitudes towards, and stamina for, writing, by writing for different purposes. Considers what is going to be written before beginning by encapsulating what they want to	be sufficiently advanced for them to write down ideas they may be able to compose orally. Letters should be orientated correctly. A child can: • use more word-specific knowledge of spelling, including homophones, and is able to do this for
NC 2014 - Programme of Study - Composition:	say, sentence by sentence.	both single-syllable and multi-syllabic words;
Pupils should be taught to:	Makes simple additions, revisions and	• spell words in a phonically plausible way, even
 develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by: writing narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real and fictional) 	corrections to writing by: 1. proof-reading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation;	if sometimes incorrectly; • apply a knowledge of suffixes from their word reading to their spelling and also draw

- writing about real events	2. segmenting spoken words into phonemes and	from and apply a growing knowledge of word
- writing poetry	representing these by graphemes, spelling many	and spelling structure, as well as a knowledge
- writing for different purposes	correctly; and	of root words;
• consider what they are going to write	3. learning new ways of spelling phonemes for	 explain how different types of writing,
before beginning by:	which one or more spellings are already known;	including narratives, are structured and apply
- planning or saying out loud what they are	and learn some words with each spelling,	this to their own and others' writing;
going to write about	including a few common homophones.	 think aloud as they collect ideas, draft and
- writing down ideas and/or key words, including new vocabulary		
- encapsulating what they want to say, sentence	Uses the suffixes -er, -est in adjectives and -	re-read to check their meaning is clear;
by sentence	ly to turn adjectives into adverbs.	 play roles and improvise scenes in various
 make simple additions, revisions and 	Constructs subordination (using when, if, that,	settings; and
corrections to their own writing by:	because) and co-ordination (using or, and, but).	 use vocabulary, grammar and punctuation
- evaluating their writing with the teacher and	Uses the correct choice and consistent use of	concepts set out in appendix 2 of the national
other pupils	present tense and past tense throughout a	curriculum document and be able to apply them
- re-reading to check that their writing makes	written piece.	correctly to examples of real language, such as
sense and that verbs to indicate time are used	Uses capital letters, full stops, question marks	their own writing eg subordination and
correctly and consistently, including verbs in	and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences.	coordination.
the continuous form	Use commas to separate items in a list.	
 proof-reading to check for errors in spelling, 		
grammar and punctuation [for example, ends of		
sentences punctuated correctly]		
 read aloud what they have written with 		
appropriate intonation to make the meaning		
clear.		
 I need to write at length about real and 		
fictional events.		
• I need to write in different styles .		
• I need to plan a piece of writing by talking		
about my ideas.		
• I need to apply my ideas by effectively		

 using a writing frame. I need to use exciting vocabulary to entertain the reader. I need to say a sentence in my head then write it down using the correct punctuation. I need to read my work and check that it makes sense before showing my teacher. I need to improve my work by using a polishing pen. I need to read my work to a friend using a lively voice. 		
<u>Year 3</u>	Organises paragraphs around a theme.	Reference to the KPIs
Revise text types from year 2.	In narratives, creates settings, characters and	By the end of Y3 a child should be able to write
Instructions; explanations; non-chronological	plot.	down their ideas with a reasonable degree of
reports; letters written for a range of	Proof-reads for spelling and punctuation	accuracy and with good sentence punctuation.
purposes- <i>recount, explain, enquire,</i>	errors.	A child can:
congratulate, complain; setting and character	Uses the forms 'a' or 'an' according to whether	 spell common words correctly including
descriptions; narrative- familiar settings,	the next word begins with a consonant or a	exception words and other words that have
myths and legends, adventure and mystery,	vowel eg a rock, an open box.	been learnt (see appendix 1 of the national
(opening, build up, dilemma, reaction,	Expresses time, place and cause using	curriculum document);
resolution). Poems - performance, shape poems	conjunctions.	 spell words as accurately as possible using
/ calligrams, language play; dialogue and plays.	Introduces inverted commas to punctuate	phonic knowledge and other knowledge of
	direct speech.	spelling such as morphology and etymology;
NC 2014 - Programme of Study - Composition:	Uses headings and sub-headings to aid	 monitor whether their own writing makes
Pupils should be taught to:	presentation.	sense in the same way that they monitor their
 plan their writing by: 	Uses the present perfect form of verbs	reading, checking at different levels;
- discussing writing similar to that which they	instead of the simple past eg 'He has gone out	 write for a range of real purposes and
are planning to write in order to understand	to play' in contrast to 'He went out to play'.	audiences as part of their work across the
and learn from its structure, vocabulary and		curriculum in a variety of genres; and

grammar	• understand and apply the terminology and
- discussing and recording ideas	concepts set out in appendix 2 of the national
 draft and write by: 	curriculum document.
- composing and rehearsing sentences orally	A child understands and applies the concepts
(including dialogue), progressively building a	of word structure (see appendix 2 of the
varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing	national curriculum document).
range of sentence structures (English Appendix	A child is beginning to use joined handwriting
2)	throughout independent writing.
- organising paragraphs around a theme	A child is beginning to understand the skills and
- in narratives, creating settings, characters	
	processes that are essential for writing: that
and plot	is, thinking aloud to explore and collect ideas,
- in non-narrative material, using simple	drafting, and re-reading to check the meaning
organisational devices [for example, headings	is clear.
and sub-headings]	A child is beginning to understand how writing
 evaluate and edit by: 	can be different from speech.
- 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.	
 I need to effectively use different writing 	
frames to match different genres to help me	

 plan quality writing across the curriculum. I need to think aloud, exploring and collecting my ideas. I need to draft and re-read my writing to check that it makes sense as I write (not waiting until the end). I need to create and practise sentences in my head before I write them down using a capital letter and full stop. My sentences are interesting, containing capital letters, full stops, commas for lists, exclamation marks, question marks all of the time. I need to choose exciting words to make my writing entertaining and lively. I need to use paragraphs to link themes and ideas. In narratives, I need to create different settings, characters and plot. I need to create and perform a play script based on a familiar story. I need to use criteria to check, edit and improve my work or my friends'. I need to be able to read aloud my writing to a group or the whole class using a clear, expressive voice. 		
<u>Year 4</u>	Organises paragraphs around a theme.	Reference to the KPIs
Revise text types from year 3.	In narratives, creates settings, characters and	By the end of Y4 a child should be able to write
Instructions, explanations, non-chronological	plot.	down ideas quickly. The grammar and
reports-newspaper/magazine, persuasive	Proof-reads for spelling and punctuation	punctuation should be broadly accurate.
writing-adverts, circulars, flyers, discussion-	errors.	A child can:
debates, narrative-setting and character	Writes from memory simple sentences,	 spell most words taught so far accurately and

descriptions; stories with historical settings,	dictated by the teacher, that include words	be able to spell words that have not yet been	
stories set in imaginary worlds, stories from	and punctuation taught so far.	taught by using what has been learnt about how	
other cultures, stories which raise issues /	Uses standard English forms for verb	spelling works in English;	
dilemmas. (Opening, build up, dilemma, reaction,	inflections instead of local spoken forms	ullet place the apostrophe in words with regular	
resolution). Poems. Playscripts.	Uses fronted adverbials.	plurals (eg girls', boys') and in words with	
	Can choose an appropriate pronoun or noun	irregular plurals (eg children's);	
NC 2014 - Programme of Study - Composition:	within and across sentences to aid cohesion and	 use vocabulary, grammar and punctuation 	
Pupils should be taught to:	avoid repetition.	concepts set out in English appendix 2 of the	
• plan their writing by:	Uses inverted commas and other punctuation to	national curriculum document, and be able to	
- discussing writing similar to that which they	indicate direct speech.	apply them correctly to examples of real	
are planning to write in order to understand		language such as their own writing;	
and learn from its structure, vocabulary and		ullet recognise some of the differences between	
grammar		standard English and non- standard English;	
- discussing and recording ideas		 use joined-up handwriting throughout all 	
 draft and write by: 		independent writing;	
 composing and rehearsing sentences orally 		$m \cdot$ write for a range of real purposes and	
(including dialogue), progressively building a		audiences as part of the work across the	
varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing		curriculum. These purposes and audiences	
range of sentence structures (English Appendix		should underpin decisions about the form the	
2)		writing should take such as a narrative, an	
- organising paragraphs around a theme		explanation or a description; and	
- in narratives, creating settings, characters		• adopt, create and sustain a range of roles.	
and plot		A child understands the skills and processes	
- in non-narrative material, using simple		that are essential for writing in order to	
organisational devices [for example, headings		enhance the effectiveness of what is written:	
and sub-headings]		that is, thinking aloud to explore and collect	
 evaluate and edit by: 		ideas, drafting and re-reading to check the	
- assessing the effectiveness of their own and		meaning is clear, including doing so as the	

others' writing and suggesting improvements	writing develops.
- 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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• I need to use, suggest and create my own writing	
frames according to various genres across the	
curriculum.	
 I need to think aloud, exploring and collecting my ideas. 	
 I need to independently draft and re-read my 	
writing checking that it makes sense as I write	
without being asked to do so by my teacher.	
• I need to make and practise sentences in my head	
before I write them down using a capital letter and full stop.	
 I need to write interesting sentences, using 	
punctuation from Year Three in addition to writing	
dialogue accurately.	
 I need to start to use commas to mark clauses within my sentences. 	
 I need to choose exciting vocabulary to achieve 	
different effects, considering the purpose and	
audience.	
• I need to write in paragraphs independently to	
make sure that my writing is linked and it flows.In narratives, I need to sustain a particular style	
linked to different settings, contrasting	

 characters and plots. I need to create and perform an original play script from different stimuli. I need to identify and respond to improvements for my own and other's work using my own or a given criteria. I need to confidently read aloud my own writing to different audiences using expression, intonation and control to entertain/interest my audience. 	
Extension	
Revise text types from year 4.	
Instructions, explanations, non-chronological	
reports-newspaper/magazine, persuasive	
writing-adverts, circulars, flyers, leaflets,	
letters-to persuade, criticise, protest, support,	
object and complain, discussion-debates.	
Narrative-setting and character descriptions;	
fables/myths/legends/ stories by significant	
children's authors; stories from other cultures;	
older literature; (opening, build up, dilemma,	
reaction, resolution), poetry - narrative /	
classic poems, poetic style, performance	
poetry. Play-scripts, dramatic conventions.	

	Instruction text	Recount text	Explanation text	Information text	Persuasion text	Discussion text
Examples	Recipe	Autobiography	Encyclopaedia	Dictionary	Advert	Essay on causes of
	Instruction manual	Newspaper article	Science text book	Reference book	Newspaper editorial	something
	On arrival, sign the	I was always fascinated	The reason why the	Time and how to measure	Does your watch stop	There is still much
	visitors' book and pick up	by watches when I was a	Moon rises about 50	it is something that has	working just when you	debate about whether
	your visitors' permit	child. One day, when no	minutes later every night	fascinated human beings	need it? Buy	global warming exists
	which must be displayed	one was looking,	is because it is orbiting	across the ages.	Perfectotime and never	and, if it does, how to
	at all times	_	the Earth.	_	worry again.	prevent it.
Audience	Someone who wants to	Someone who wants to	Someone who wants to	Someone who wants to	Someone you are trying	Someone who is
	know how to do	know what happened	understand a process	know about something	to influence	interested in an issue
	something					
Purpose	To tell someone how to	To retell a real event in	To help someone	To present information	To promote a particular	To present a reasoned
	do something in as clear	an informative and	understand a process or	in an unbiased way that	view in order to influence	and balanced view of an
	a way as possible	imaginative way	why something is	is easy to understand	what people do or think	issue
Typical Structure	Strict chronological	• Chronological order •	 Series of logical (often 	• Logical order •	• Logical (in this case	• Logical order with
	order • Often in list	Paragraphs often begin	chronological)	Paragraphs often begin	emotive) order · A	intro and conclusion •
	form • Often uses	with a topic sentence	explanatory steps •	with a topic sentence •	series of points building	Sometimes a series of
	diagrams		Paragraphs often begin	Often organised into	one viewpoint •	contrasting points •
	_		with a topic sentence	categories with	Paragraphs often begin	Paragraphs often begin
				subheadings	with a topic sentence	with a topic sentence
Typical language	• Simple, clear, formal	• 1st or 3rd person - if	 Formal and impersonal 	 Formal and impersonal 	 Personal and direct 	 Formal and impersonal
features	English • Imperative	1st, then personal • Past	• Present tense • Causal	• Present tense •	Emotive and often	• Varied connectives and
	verbs • Time	tense• Time	connectives and sentence	Generalisation • Detail	deceptive language •	sentence starters for
	connectives or numbers	connectives and sentence	starters for coherence \cdot	where necessary - often	Emotive connectives and	coherence often
	for coherence	starters for coherence	Generalisation • Detail	includes some	sentence starters for	emphasising contrast or
		 Specific and 	where necessary - often	explanation • Technical	coherence	causal connections • Use
		descriptive - often in	includes information $ullet$	vocabulary • Varied		of Point: evidence:
		style of info or	Technical vocabulary	connectives and sentence		comment to exemplify
		explanation · Speech		starters for coherence		key points • Quotations

The key typical ingredients of non-fiction text types (Note most text is hybrid and includes elements of other text types)

Generalisation: > Usually, ... > Typically, ... > a few ... > some ... > most ... > like most ... > occasionally, ... > The main features $\ldots \succ$ The majority $\ldots \succ$ Many $\ldots \succ$ All \ldots Introduction: > Why is \ldots ? > Have you ever \ldots ? > Everybody has heard of \ldots > Read on, and follow these \ldots Time: \succ First,... \succ Next,... \succ After that,... \succ A few days later,... \succ From that point on,... \succ Later on,... \succ Eventually,... Ending: > In conclusion, ... > Did you know ...? > In the end, ... > Finally, ... > Warning! > The most amazing/interesting thing ... Comparison: - For similarities \succ Equally, ... \succ Similarly, ... \succ Just as ... \succ In the same way, ... - For differences > In contrast, ... > Compared with ... > ... is different from ... > Whereas ... Emphasis: \succ Most of all, ... \succ Least of all, ... \succ Most importantly, ... \succ In fact, ... Addition: > Furthermore, ... > Additionally, ... > In addition, ... > Moreover, ... > Also, ... > Another thing you can do ... Links: > who > which > that Examples: \succ For example, $\ldots \succ$ For instance, \ldots <u>Change of direction</u>: \succ But ... \succ However, ... \succ Although, ... \succ On the other hand, ... \succ Unfortunately, ... \succ Fortunately, ... \succ Despite . . . <u>Cause and effect</u>: \succ Because ... \succ This causes ... \succ So ... \succ So that ... \succ Therefore, ... \succ Owing to ... <u>Uncertainty</u>: \succ It is possible that ... \succ It has been suggested ... \succ It could be argued that ... \succ Perhaps the answer is ... \succ Another possible explanation is $\ldots \succ$ One suggestion is $\ldots \succ$ Perhaps $\ldots \succ$ Whether or not \ldots Evaluation: > It would have been better if \ldots > It could be improved by \ldots > If I were to \ldots > On reflection, \ldots > The most effective $\ldots >$ The least effective $\ldots >$ The part I like best/least $\ldots >$ The thing I would change \ldots

Phrase bank - Connectives and Sentence signposts signalling

Cross-curricular writing themes [extended writing]

Half term Topic is the *context* to apply writing genre that has been taught and practised during English lessons. Start with a book that supports English Learning focus/ genre and is linked to Topic.

EYFS

- Non-fiction: writing about...to include labels and simple captions [boats/ homes (animal and human) related to Topic]
- Non-fiction: facts [Ourselves, my family, Polar Bears, Tigers, Seaton Delaval, The Three Little Pigs houses related to Topic]
- Non-fiction: describe [how something is made, The Three Little Pigs houses]
- Narrative/ recount: describe a journey or an event [The Train Ride]
- Adventure narrative or recount [Goldilocks and the Three Bears]

<u>Year 1</u>

- Order events/ simple diaries/ characters feelings [The Very Hungry Caterpillar (days of the week), grow own plant and record]
- Openings to stories/ own adventure story [imitate/ innovate e.g. Funnybones series]
- Owl who was afraid of the Dark... This is the Bear and the Scary Night: recount/ narrative [imitate then innovate]
- Traditional Tales...
- Fantasy adventures [and non-fiction]: castles [settings, events, descriptions]
- Geography [somewhere abroad]: postcards, letters
- Fireworks: shape poetry

<u>Year 2</u>

- Retell & rewrite a story [known, part of series by same author, on the same theme]
- The Great Fire of London: diaries; fire poetry
- Non-chronological report: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory design and make own sweets, present under headings
- Encyclopaedia Britannica: description of how animals are suited to their habitat, or historical figure focus with facts
- Instructions: [Food Technology or IT how to make something or how to save a document]
- Character descriptions: e.g. Horrid Henry series, Diary of a Wimpy Kid, etc.
- Description of relationship to special people

<u>Year 3</u>

- Adventure stories: [The Iron Man or The Hobbit] Character studies; Comparison of story plots; Story starters; settings
- Stories with familiar settings: Evaluating story introductions; Planning a and writing a story
- Report writing: [The Hobbit Fact files on dragons] Identified features of reports; Text marking- facts from non-fiction; Writing an extended report; Labelled diagrams, blurbs, glossary
- Instruction writing: Note taking; Using notes to produce a set of instructions; give a format to follow; a choice on how to present
- Writing from RE/ PSHE&C: [refugee texts The Colour of Home; Gervelie's Journey]
- Emotions graph; Timeline of events; Writing a first person recount from a specific point of view [Christmas or Easter or other theme]
- Egyptians or Romans: Planning and writing a series of persuasive formal letters; Informal letter writing; diary writing

<u>Year 4</u>

- Angel Boy [NGfL]: Continuation of the story in the style of author; Writing in role of character; Describe Angel Boy's experiences, use of senses; An Angel Remembers poetry [An Elephant Remembers Theresa Heine]
- Anglo Saxons: [Beowulf Michael Morpurgo] Analyse descriptions of characters within text- look at writers use of adjectives to describe Grendel; Children write newspaper reports from Heorot; Children write Beowulf diaries
- Settings and characters: [Harry Potter] Harry Potter diaries; Writing in role; Persuasive writing (houses); Advertisements for Diagon Alley shops
- Greeks: [Battle of Troy] Imagine and describe Troy; creative story writing [Achilles]; Poetry [First Blood]
- Midnight Fox: [plants and animal habitats] Letters to Petie Burkis; Fox Spotter notebooks; Fox Factfile
- Geography: [e.g. India Order the journey of tea/ facts about tea production and journey; link to RE Hinduism]; This is indeed India poetry/ This is indeed Scotland
- Film narrative: [The Piano] Piano memories; 'I remember'; Creative writing, flash back stories; "Nightmare before Christmas" by Tim Burton

Seaside Rescue

Letters to describe the environment. Non-chronological report about lifeboats and the RNLI. Narrative: settings at a costal environment. Persuasive posters informing people of the work of the RNLI. Coastal erosion fact files. News report about the sinking of the Forfarshire.

Fair Trade

Stories.
Plays.
Instructions.
Recounts.
Persuasive writing.
Explanations.
Non-chronological reports.

Tomb Raiders Newspaper articles. Persuasive writing - for and against raiding tombs. Reports. Narrative - use settings. Explanations - Ancient Egyptians and their statues/ symbols and burial customs; explore and explain other religions. Instructions - mummification.

The Jurassic Forest

Stories. Plays. Instructions. Recounts. Persuasive writing. Explanations. Non-chronological reports. [Create adverts. Explore and explain why dinosaurs became extinct, how they lived. Persuasive writing - endangered species today and why, what can we do? Narrative - fantasy setting.]

The Banquet

Stories.

Plays.

Instructions.

Recounts.

Persuasive writing.

Explanations.

Non-chronological reports.

Writing CHALLENGES KS1

Around our school - design an oasis for the school grounds - write letter to Governors asking for money and why; plan and label drawing of oasis; write instructions. Write brochure/ booklet about SDFS [plans, attractive features, interviews with pupils/ staff, info about school].

The Seaside - write brochure/ booklet to convince people to visit SD; generate posters for SD; report about SD; letters/ envelopes/ postcards. Write a song/ chant/ poem about weather.

Reflections - organise and present info [non-chronological report] about life in 1970's. Poem - celebrate how we are all different and special.

Changes - traditional tale [Ugly Duckling - rewrite and change/ imitate and innovate]. Write precise instructions on how to make something [food - changes with measurements, very detailed, etc]. Use ICT to retell a narrative in visual form.

Ourselves - make a booklet about your life so far [plan questions to ask parents, photos in chronological order with captions, write headings for sections of book].

Celebrations - design and make a card [birthday, Valentines, Christmas, etc] and write a verse.

Our Locality - same as Seaside; write a ghost story set in SDFS.

The World Around Us - write weather reports/ record info on charts, etc. Class book - to send to a school in another country. Write a song/ chant/ poem about weather.

KS2

Write song/ rap/ chant about school and school life. Prepare a website to introduce school and class to another school.

Animal Kingdom - Design a quiz based on habitats and habits of one species of wild animals. Investigate a species of endangered animals or natural event that puts animals under threat [ice melting, rainforest] - plan and write a campaign. Write newspaper reports on environmental issues.

Tudor Times - write a persuasive letter from one of Henry's wives; a design plan of Tutor house with annotated features and suggested materials. Study a famous explorer, write a letter to Queen Elizabeth 1 telling about journey, discovery, things found/ seen - diary account.

Change - set up employment agency - how are jobs advertised and write job adverts, generate questions to ask applicants for jobs, write applications for jobs. Bonfire Night - history of fireworks - play for history of Bonfire story, instructions for safe lighting, poster to advertise firework safety.

Dreams - story about going back in time to WW2; a script for the main character, narrator, and other characters you meet; news bulletin about life during the war and how life has changed in England. Write newspaper report about event during WW or and design front page of newspaper in the style of WW2.

Water - produce booklet/ web page on life and conditions beside s world famous river or canal -report on historical aspect, report on life past/ present, info on climate/ location/ population/ etc, key features.

Planet Earth - fantasy story about landing on the moon [setting, description, etc]; research and news report about space exploration and travel/ 1st landing on moon; plan and design a lunar landing craft - research information, justify choices and present structured work; PowerPoint about an aspect of space discovery/ literature/ solar system/ astrology/ horoscopes. Devise and use a questionnaire to assess how GREEN

SDFS is; persuasive letter to ask Governors to make changes to be greener.

Contrasting UK Locality - plan a trip and write a letter persuading teacher to take your advice. A poem/ chant/ rap about how good SD is.

The Caribbean - open a travel agency, research and design/ write brochures; generate location maps with details, island maps, travel information, seasonal weather information, holiday attractions of different types, ways of life for islanders, cultural details [music, art, customs, life styles, etc], flora/ fauna. Investigate the history of slavery - persuasive writing against, why it was wrong, newspaper article condemning any form of discrimination/ prejudice/ removal of human rights by force by others.

The Greeks - plan an Olympic event, prepare info for athletes visiting SDFS/SD. Prepare poster to advertise/ newspaper advert advertising events.

Elements - write an instructional text about how to make a kite. Science investigation - states of matter: reversible/ irreversible [instructional text]. Write a poem about self.

1960's - choose a famous person [John Lennon - pick 4 to 6 aspects of his life, research, write a play script].