End of Year Expectations Year 1 to Year 6



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End of year Expectations – Speaking and Listening



Year 1 Year 2

- Speak clearly and confidently in front of others
- Retell a well-known story, remembering the main characters
- · Prepare to use 'new' words when communicating
- Hold attention well when collaborating with others
- Does not stray away from main topic when engaged in collaborative talk
- Prepare to ask relevant questions to extend understanding and knowledge
- · Initiate conversation in collaborative situation
- · Listen carefully to what others are saying in group talk
- Respond appropriately to what others say in group talk
- Happy to join in with role play

- · Ask questions to gain information and to clarify meaning
- · Express themselves using complete sentences when required
- Make more specific vocabulary choices, for example technical language
- Take turns when talking in pairs or in small groups
- Offer appropriate comments in paired or small group discussion
- Begin to be aware that formal and informal situations require a different role and language
- Retell a familiar story using narrative language and linking words and phrases
- Hold the attention of listeners by adapting the way they talk
- Begin to understand how to speak for different purposes and audiences
- Perform a simple poem from memory

Year 3 Year 4

- Sequence and communicate ideas in an organised and logical way in complete sentences as required
- Vary the amount of detail and choice of vocabulary dependent on the purpose and audience
- Participate fully in paired and group discussions
- Show understanding of the main points in a discussion
- Start to show awareness of how and when Standard English is used
- Retell a story using narrative language and added relevant detail
- Show they have listened carefully through making relevant comments
- Formally present ideas or information to an audience
- Recognise that meaning can be expressed in different ways dependent on the context
- Perform poems from memory adapting expression and tone as appropriate
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- · Ask questions to clarify or develop understanding
- Sequence, develop and communicate ideas in an organised, logical way in complete sentences as required
- Show understanding of the main points and significant details in a discussion
- Increasingly adapt what is said to meet the needs of the audience/listener
- Vary the use and choice of vocabulary dependent on the audience and purpose
- Show understanding of how and why language choices vary in different contexts
- Present writing to an audience, using appropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear
- · Justify answers with evidence
- Understand when the context requires the use of Standard English
- Perform poems or plays from memory, conveying ideas about characters and situations by adapting expression and tone

Year 5 Year 6

- Engage the interest of the listener by varying their expression and vocabulary.
- Adapt spoken language to the audience, purpose and context.
- Explain the effect of using different language for different purposes.
- · Develop ideas and opinions with relevant detail.
- Express ideas and opinions, justifying a point of view.
- Show understanding of the main points, significant details and implied meanings in a discussion.
- Listen carefully in discussions, make contributions and ask questions that are responsive to others' ideas and views.
- · Begin to use Standard English in formal situations.
- Begin to use hypothetical language to consider more than one possible outcome or solution.
- Perform own compositions, using appropriate intonation and volume so that meaning is clear.
- Perform poems or plays from memory, making careful choices about how they convey ideas about characters and situations by adapting expression and tone.
- Understand and begin to select the appropriate register according to the context.

- Talk confidently and fluently in a range of situations, using formal and Standard English as appropriate.
- Ask questions to develop ideas and make contributions that take account of others' views.
- Explain ideas and opinions giving reasons and evidence.
- Take an active part in discussions, taking different roles.
- Listen to and consider the views and opinions of others in discussions.
- Make contributions to discussions, evaluating others' ideas and responding to them.
- Sustain and argue a point of view in a debate, using formal language of persuasion.
- Express possibilities using hypothetical and speculative language in science and when discussing reading.
- Engage listeners through choice of vocabulary and register according to the context.
- Perform own compositions, using appropriate intonation and volume and expression so that literal and implied meaning is made clear.
- Perform poems or plays from memory, making deliberate choices about how they convey ideas about characters, contexts and atmosphere.

End of year Expectations – Reading



Year 1 Year 2

- Match all 40+ graphemes to their phonemes (Phase 3)
- Blend sounds in unfamiliar words
- Divide words into syllables, for example, pocket, rabbit, carrot, thunder, sunset
- Read compound words, for example, football, playground, farmyard, bedroom
- Read words with contractions, e.g. I'm, I'll, we'll, and understand that the apostrophe represents the omitted letter(s)
- · Read phonically decodable texts with confidence
- Read words containing 's, es, ing, ed, er, est' endings
- · Read words which have the prefix -un added
- Add the endings –ing, –ed and –er to verbs where no change is needed to the root word
- Read words of more than one syllable that contain taught GPCs (grapheme, phoneme correspondence)
- Say what they like or dislike about a text
- · Link what they read or hear read to their own experiences
- Retell key stories orally using narrative language
- Understand and talk about the main characteristics within a known key story
- Learn some poems and rhymes by heart
- Use prior knowledge, context and vocabulary provided to understand texts
- Check that the text makes sense to them as they read and correct miscues
- · Begin to draw inferences from the text and/or the illustrations
- Make predictions based on the events in the text
- · Explain what they understand about a text

- · Decode automatically and fluently
- Read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain the graphemes taught
- · Recognise and read alternative sounds for graphemes
- Read accurately words of two or more syllables that contain the same GPCs
- · Read words containing common suffixes
- · Read further common exception words
- Read and notice unusual correspondence between grapheme and phoneme
- Read most words quickly and accurately when they have been frequently encountered without overt sounding and blending
- Read aloud books closely matched to their improving phonic knowledge, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, automatically and without undue hesitation
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- Read books fluently and confidently
- Talk about and give an opinion on a range of texts
- Discuss the sequence of events in books and how they are related to each other
- Use prior knowledge and context and vocabulary explored to understand texts
- · Retell orally some stories, including fairy stories and traditional tales
- Read for meaning, checking that the text makes sense and correcting inaccurate reading
- Know and recognise simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry
- · Talk about favourite words and phrases.
- Increase repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some, with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear
- Answer and ask appropriate questions and make predictions on the basis of what has been read so far
- Draw simple inferences from illustrations, events and characters' actions and speech.

Year 3 Year 4

- Apply knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes to read aloud and to understand the meaning of unfamiliar words
- Read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word
- Attempt pronunciation of unfamiliar words drawing on prior knowledge of similar looking words
- Experience and discuss a range of fiction, poetry, plays, nonfiction and reference books or textbooks
- Know that non-fiction books are structured in different ways and be able to use them effectively
- Begin to understand that narrative books are structured in different ways, for example, quest stories and stories with dilemmas
- Ask questions to improve understanding of a text
- Predict what might happen from details stated
- Draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions
- · Use dictionaries to check the meaning of unfamiliar words
- · Identify main idea of a text
- Identify how structure, and presentation contribute to the meaning of taxts
- · Retrieve and record information from non-fiction
- Discuss books, poems and other works that are read aloud and independently, taking turns and listening to others' opinions
- Explain and discuss understanding of books, poems and other material, both those read aloud and those read independently
- Prepare poems to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action

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- Read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word
- Attempt pronunciation of unfamiliar words drawing on prior knowledge of similar looking words
- Know which books to select for specific purposes, especially in relation to science, history and geography learning
- Use dictionaries to check the meaning of unfamiliar words
- Discuss and record words and phrases that writers use to engage and impact on the reader
- Know and recognise some of the literary conventions in text types covered
- · Begin to understand simple themes in books
- Prepare poems to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action
- Explain the meaning of words in context
- Ask questions to improve understanding of a text
- Infer meanings and begin to justify them with evidence from the text
- Predict what might happen from details stated and deduced information
- Identify how the writer has used precise word choices for effect to impact on the reader
- Identify some text type organisational features, for example, narrative, explanation, persuasion
- · Retrieve and record information from non-fiction
- · Make connections with prior knowledge and experience
- Begin to build on others' ideas and opinions about a text in discussion
- Explain why text types are organised in a certain way

Year 5 Year 6

- Apply knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes to read aloud and to understand the meaning of unfamiliar words.
- Read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word.
- Attempt pronunciation of unfamiliar words drawing on prior knowledge of similar looking words.
- Re-read and read ahead to check for meaning.
- Become familiar with and talk about a wide range of books, including myths, legends and traditional stories & books from other cultures & traditions & know their features.
- Read non-fiction texts and identify purpose and structures and grammatical features and evaluate how effective they are.
- Identify significant ideas, events and characters and discuss their significance.
- Learn poems by heart for example, narrative verse, haiku.
- Prepare poems and plays to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action.
- Use meaning-seeking strategies to explore the meaning of words in context.
- Use meaning seeking strategies to explore the meaning of idiomatic and figurative language.
- Identify and comment on writer's use of language for effect for example, precisely chosen adjectives, similes and personification.
- Identify grammatical features used by writer rhetorical questions, varied sentence lengths, varied sentence starters, empty words – to impact on the reader.
- Draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions.
- Justify inferences with evidence from the text.
- Make predictions from what has been read.
- Summarise the main ideas drawn from a text.
- Identify the effect of the context on a text for example, historical or other cultures.
- Identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to the meaning of a text.
- Express a personal point of view about a text, giving reasons.
- Make connections between other similar texts, prior knowledge and experience.
- Compare different versions of texts and talk about their differences and similarities.
- Listen to and build on others' ideas and opinions about a text.
- Present an oral overview or summary of a text.
- Present the author's viewpoint of a text.
- Present a personal point of view based on what has been read.
- Listen to others' personal point of view.
- Explain a personal point of view and give reasons.
- Know the difference between fact and opinion.
- Use knowledge of structure of text type to find key information.
- Use text marking to identify key information in a text
- Make notes from text marking.

- Apply knowledge of root words to read aloud and to understand the meaning of unfamiliar words.
- Apply knowledge of prefixes and suffixes to read aloud and to understand the meaning of unfamiliar words.
- Use combined knowledge of phonemes and word derivations to pronounce words correctly. for example: ara<u>ch</u>no<u>ph</u>obia, audience
- Attempt pronunciation of unfamiliar words drawing on prior knowledge of similar looking words.
- Read fluently, using punctuation to inform meaning.
- Read and become familiar with a wide range of books, including modern fiction, fiction from our literary heritage, and books from other cultures and traditions.
- · Read books that are structured in different ways.
- Recognise texts that contain features from more than one text type.
- Consider and evaluate how effectively texts are structured and laid out.
- Read non-fiction texts to support other curriculum areas.
- · Read closely to ensure understanding.
- Recommend books that they have read to their peers, giving reasons for their choices.
- Identify and discuss themes in a range of writing and across longer texts.
- Identify and discuss the conventions of different text types.
- Identify key points in an appropriate text.
- Learn a range of poetry by heart for example, narrative verse, sonnet.
- Prepare poems and plays to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action.
- Identify and comment on writer's choice of vocabulary, giving examples and explanation.
- Identify and explain how writers use grammatical features for effect for example, the use of short sentences to build tension.
- Show awareness of the writers' craft by commenting on use of language, grammatical features and structure of texts.
- Express a personal point of view about a text, giving reasons linked to evidence from texts.
- Raise queries about texts.
- Make connections between other similar texts, prior knowledge and experience and explain the links.
- Compare different versions of texts and explain the differences and similarities.
- Listen to others' ideas and opinions about a text.
- Build on others' ideas and opinions about a text in discussion.
- Explain and comment on explicit and implicit points of view.
- Summarise key information from different parts of a text.
- Recognise the writer's point of view and discuss it.
- Present a personal point of view based on what has been read.
- Present a counter-argument in response to others' points of view.
- Provide reasoned justifications for their views.
- Refer to the text to support opinion.
- Distinguish between statements of fact and opinion.
- Find information using skimming to establish main idea.
- Use scanning to find specific information.
- Text mark to make research efficient and fast.
- Organise information or evidence appropriately.

End of year Expectations – Writing



Year 1 Year 2

- Sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly.
- Begin to form lower case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place
- Form capital letters and the digits 0-9
- Understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways) and to practise these
- Identify known phonemes in unfamiliar words
- · Use syllables to divide words when spelling
- Use knowledge of alternative phonemes to narrow down possibilities for accurate spelling
- Use the spelling rule for adding s or es for verbs in 3rd person singular
- · Name the letters of the alphabet in order
- Use letter names to show alternative spellings of the same phoneme
- · Compose a sentence orally before writing it
- Sequence sentences to form short narratives
- Sequence sentences in chronological order to recount an event or an experience
- · Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense
- Leave spaces between words
- Begin to punctuate sentences using a capital letter and a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark
- Use a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun 'I'
- · Use 'and' to join sentences together
- Know how the prefix 'un' can be added to words to change meaning
- Use the suffixes: s, es, ed, er and ing within their writing

- Segment spoken words into phonemes and record these as graphemes
- Spell words with different alternative spellings, including a few common homophones
- Spell longer words using suffixes such as ment, ness, ful, less, ly
- Use knowledge of alternative phonemes to narrow down possibilities for accurate spelling
- Identify known phonemes in unfamiliar words and use syllables to divide words
- · Form lower case letters of the correct size relative to one another
- Begin to use some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters
- Understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unioined
- Write capital letters and digits of the correct size, with correct orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters
- Use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters
- Write narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real and fictional)
- · Write for different purposes, including real events
- · Plan and discuss the content of writing and write down ideas
- Orally rehearse structured sentences or sequences of sentences
- · Evaluate writing independently, with peers and with teacher
- Proof-read to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation
- Use full stops, capital letters, exclamation and question marks accurately to demarcate sentences and commas for lists
- Use a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun 'I'
- Use subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and coordination (using or, and, or but)
- Use present and past tenses correctly and consistently including the progressive form

Year 3 Year 4

- Spell words with additional prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them to root words, for example – form nouns using super, anti, auto
- Recognise and spell additional homophones, for example he'll, heel, heal
- Use the first two or three letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary
- Spell correctly word families based on common words, for example – solve, solution, solver
- Spell identified commonly misspelt words from Year 3 & 4 word list
- Make analogies from a word already known to apply to an unfamiliar word
- · Identify the root in longer words
- · Use the diagonal & horizontal strokes needed to join letters
- Understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined
- Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of handwriting
- Look at and discuss models of writing of the text type, purpose and audience to be written, noting: structure; grammatical features and use of vocabulary
- Compose sentences using a wider range of structures linked to the grammar objectives
- Write a narrative with a clear structure, setting, characters and plot
- Write a non-narrative using simple organisational devices such as headings and sub-headings
- Suggest improvement to writing through assessing writing with peers and self-assessment
- Make improvements by proposing changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency, e.g. the accurate use of pronouns in sentences
- Use a range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, e.g. when, if, because, although
- Use the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause
- Use conjunctions, adverbs & prepositions to express time & cause
- Proof-read to check for errors in spelling and punctuation errors

- Spell words with additional prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them to root words. for example – ation, ous, ion, ian
- Recognise and spell additional homophones, for example accept and except, whose and who's
- Use the first two or three letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary
- · Spell identified commonly misspelt words from Year 3 and 4 word list
- Use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters
- Understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined
- Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting: down strokes of letters are parallel and equidistant; lines of writing are spaced sufficiently so that the ascenders and descenders of letters do not touch
- Compose sentences using a wider range of structures, linked to the grammar objectives
- Orally rehearse structured sentences or sequences of sentences
- Begin to open paragraphs with topic sentences
- Write a narrative with a clear structure, setting, characters and plot
- Make improvements by proposing changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency, e.g. the accurate use of pronouns in sentences
- Use a range of sentences with more than one clause
- Use appropriate nouns or pronouns within and across sentences to support cohesion and avoid repetition
- Use fronted adverbials, for example, 'Later that day, I went shopping.'
- Use expanded noun phrases with modifying adjectives and prepositional phrases, for example, 'The strict teacher with curly hair'
- Use other punctuation in direct speech, including a comma after the reporting clause; use apostrophes to mark plural possession; and use commas after fronted adverbials

Year 5 Year 6

- Form verbs with prefixes for example, dis, de, mis, over and re.
- Convert nouns or adjectives into verbs by adding a suffix for example, ate, ise, ify.
- Understand the general rules for adding prefixes and suffixes above.
- Spell some words with 'silent' letters, e.g. knight, psalm, solemn.
- Distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused.
- Spell identified commonly misspelt words from Year 5 and 6 word list.
- Use the first three or four letters of a word to check spelling, meaning or both of these in a dictionary.
- · Use a thesaurus.
- Use a range of spelling strategies.
- Choose which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding, as part of their personal style, whether or not to join specific letters.
- Choose the writing implement that is best suited for a task (e.g. quick notes, letters).
- · Know the audience for and purpose of the writing.
- Use the features and structures of text types taught so far.
- Use grammatical features and vocabulary appropriate for the text types taught so far
- Start sentences in different ways.
- Use sentence starters to highlight the main idea.
- Develop characters through action and dialogue.
- Establish viewpoint as the writer through commenting on characters or events.
- Show how grammar and vocabulary choices create impact on the reader.
- Choose vocabulary to engage and impact on the reader.
- Use stylistic devices to create effects in writing, for example, simile, metaphor, personification.
- · Add well-chosen detail to interest the reader.
- Summarise a paragraph or event.
- Organise writing into paragraphs to show different information or events.
- Use cohesive devices (connecting adverbs and adverbials) to link ideas within paragraphs.
- · Use modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility.
- Use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with an implied (i.e. omitted) relative pronoun.
- Use commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing.
- Use brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis.
- Assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing.
- Suggest changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to enhance effects and clarify meaning.
- Ensure the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing.
- Ensure correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural.
- · Distinguish between the language of speech and writing.
- Distinguish between the formal and informal spoken and written language.
- Proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors.

Perform their own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume, and movement so that meaning is clear.

- Convert verbs into nouns by adding suffixes. for example, tion, ure.
- Distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused.
- Spell identified commonly misspelt words from Year 5 and 6 word list.
- Understand that the spelling of some words needs to be learnt specifically.
- 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.
- Use a range of spelling strategies.
- Choose which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding, as part of their personal style, whether or not to join specific letters.
- Choose the writing implement that is best suited for a task (e.g. quick notes, letters).
- · Identify the audience for and purpose of the writing.
- Choose the appropriate form and register for the audience and purpose of the writing.
- Use grammatical structures/features and choose vocabulary appropriate to the audience, purpose and degree of formality to make meaning clear and create effect.
- Use a range of sentence starters to create specific effects, for example, adverbials, conjunctions, ing, ed.
- Use developed noun phrases to add detail to sentences.
- Use the passive voice to present information with a different emphasis.
- Use commas to mark phrases and clauses.
- Sustain and develop main ideas logically in narrative and nonnarrative writing.
- Use character, dialogue and action to advance events in narrative writing.
- Summarise text, conveying key information.
- Write paragraphs with a topic sentence which clearly signal a change in, for example, subject, time, place, event
- Use organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader, for example, headings, bullet points, underlining
- Assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing
- Suggest changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to enhance effects and clarify meaning.
- Ensure the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing.
- Ensure correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural.
- Distinguish between the language of speech and writing.
- Distinguish between the correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural.
- Distinguish between the language of speech and writing and choose the appropriate register.
- Proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors.
- Perform their own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume, and movement so that meaning is clear.