Primary English Progression

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NB: The content of the National Curriculum for KS2 is organised into strands for upper and lower Key Stage 2, and so many objectives are common across Y3/4 and across Y5/6. Where the appendixes provide additional detail, these columns have been adjusted to reflect the statutory detail therein.



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	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Decoding	apply phonic knowledge to decode words speedily read all 40+ letters/groups for 40+ phonemes read accurately by blending taught GPC read common exception words read common suffixes (-s, -es, -ing, -ed, etc.) read multisyllable words containing taught GPCs read contractions and understanding use of apostrophe read aloud phonically-decodable texts	read mutitsyllable words containing these graphemes read common suffixes read exception words, noting unusual correspondences	apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes, both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words they meet read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word	apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes, both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words they meet read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word		apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (morphology and etymology), both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words that they meet
Range of Reading	listening to and discussing a wide range of poems, stories and non-fiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently being encouraged to link what they read or hear read to their own experiences	listening to, discussing and expressing views about a wide range of contemporary and classic poetry, stories and non-fiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently	Iistening to and discussing a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes	Iistening to and discussing a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes	range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks • reading books that are structured in different ways and	continuing to read and discuss an increasingly wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes making comparisons within and across books
Familiarity with texts	becoming very familiar with key stories, fairy stories and traditional tales, retelling them and considering their particular characteristics recognising and joining in with predictable phrases	recognising simple recurring literary language in	including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retelling some of these orally	increasing their familiarity with a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retelling some of these orally identifying themes and conventions in a wide range of books	including myths, legends and traditional stories, modern fiction, fiction from our literary heritage, and books from other cultures and traditions	increasing their familiarity with a wide range of books, including myths, legends and traditional stories, modern fiction, fiction from our literary heritage, and books from other cultures and traditions identifying and discussing themes and conventions in and across a wide range of writing
-	 learning to appreciate rhymes and poems, and to recite some by heart 	continuing to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some, with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear	preparing poems and play scripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action recognising some different forms of poetry	preparing poems and play scripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action recognising some different forms of poetry	learning a wider range of poetry by heart preparing poems and plays to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone and volume so that the meaning is clear to an audience	learning a wider range of poetry by heart preparing poems and plays to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone and volume so that the meaning is clear to an audience
Word meanings	discussing word meanings, linking new meanings to those already known	discussing and clarifying the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary discussing their favourite words and phrases	using dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read	using dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read		
Understanding	drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher checking that the text makes sense to them as they read and correcting inaccurate reading	drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher checking that the text makes sense to them as they read and correcting inaccurate reading	checking that the text makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context *asking questions to improve their understanding of a text *identifying main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these	checking that the text makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context *asking questions to improve their understanding of a text *identifying main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these	checking that the book makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and exploring the meaning of words in context asking questions to improve their understanding summarising the main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph, identifying key details to support the main ideas	checking that the book makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and exploring the meaning of words in context asking questions to improve their understanding summarising the main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph, identifying key details to support the main ideas
Inference	discussing the significance of the title and events making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done	making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done answering and asking questions	drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence	drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence	drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence	drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence
Prediction	predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far	predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far	predicting what might happen from details stated and implied	predicting what might happen from details stated and implied	predicting what might happen from details stated and implied	predicting what might happen from details stated and implied
Authorial Intent			discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination identifying how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning	discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination identifying how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning	identifying how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning discuss and evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader	identifying how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning discuss and evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader
Non-fiction		being introduced to non-fiction books that are structured in different ways	retrieve and record information from non-fiction	retrieve and record information from non-fiction	distinguish between statements of fact and opinion retrieve, record and present information from nonfiction	distinguish between statements of fact and opinion retrieve, record and present information from nonfiction
	participate in discussion about what is read to them, taking turns and listening to what others say explain clearly their understanding of what is read to them		are read to them and those they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what	participate in discussion about both books that are read to them and those they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what others say	recommending books that they have read to their peers, giving reasons for their choices participate in discussions about books, building on their own and others' ideas and challenging views courteously explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read, including through formal presentations and debates, *provide reasoned justifications for their views	recommending books that they have read to their peers, giving reasons for their choices participate in discussions about books, building on their own and others' ideas and challenging views courteously explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read, including through formal presentations and debates, provide reasoned justifications for their views
			Objectives for Year 3 and Year 4 a	are and so are reprinted identically.	Objectives for Year 5 and Year 6	are and so are reprinted identically.

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Phonic & Whole word spelling	spell words containing each of the 40+ phonemes taught spell common exception words spell the days of the week name the letters of the alphabet in order using letter names to distinguish between alternative spellings of the same sound	segmenting spoken words into phonemes and representing these by graphemes, spelling many correctly learning new ways of spelling phonemes for which 1 or more spellings are already known, and learn some words with each spelling, including a few common homophones learning to spell common exception words distinguishing between homophones and near-homophones	spell further homophones spell words that are often misspelt (Appendix 1)	spell further homophones spell words that are often misspelt (Appendix 1)	spell some words with 'silent' letters continue to distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused use knowledge of morphology and etymology in spelling and understand that the spelling of some words needs to be learnt specifically, as listed in Appendix 1	spell some words with 'silent' letters continue to distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused use knowledge of morphology and etymology in spelling and understand that the spelling of some words needs to be learnt specifically, as listed in Appendix 1	Phonic & Whole word spelling
Other word building spelling	using the spelling rule for adding –s or –es as the plural marker for nouns and the third person singular marker for verbs using the prefix un– using –ing, –ed, –er and –est where no change is needed in the spelling of root words apply simple spelling rules and guidance from Appendix	learning the possessive apostrophe (singular) learning to spell more words with contracted forms add suffixes to spell longer words, including –ment, –ness, –ful, –less, –ly apply spelling rules and guidelines from Appendix 1	use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them lace the possessive apostrophe accurately in words with regular plurals and in words with irregular plurals use the first 2 or 3 letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary	use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them place the possessive apostrophe accurately in words with regular plurals and in words with irregular plurals use the first 2 or 3 letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary	use further prefixes and suffixes and understand the guidance for adding them use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words use the first 3 or 4 letters of a word to check spelling, meaning or both of these in a dictionary	use further prefixes and suffixes and understand the guidance for adding them use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words use the first 3 or 4 letters of a word to check spelling, meaning or both of these in a dictionary	Other word building spelling
Transcription	write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher that include words using the GPCs and common exception words taught so far.	write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher that include words using the GPCs, common exception words and punctuation taught so far.	write from memory simple sentences, dictated by the teacher, that include words and punctuation taught so far.	write from memory simple sentences, dictated by the teacher, that include words and punctuation taught so far.			Transcription
Handwriting	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 form digits 0-9 understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' and to practise these	form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another start using some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower-case letters use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters.	use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting	use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting	choosing which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding whether or not to join specific letters choosing the writing implement that is best suited for a task	choosing which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding whether or not to join specific letters choosing the writing implement that is best suited for a task	Handwriting
Contexts for Writing		writing narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real and fictional) writing about real events writing poetry writing for different purposes	discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar	discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar	identifying the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own in writing narratives, considering how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed	identifying the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own in writing narratives, considering how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed	Contexts for Writing
Planning Writing	saying out loud what they are going to write about composing a sentence orally before writing it	planning or saying out loud what they are going to write about	discussing and recording ideas composing and rehearsing sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures	discussing and recording ideas composing and rehearsing sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures	noting and developing initial ideas, drawing on reading and research where necessary	noting and developing initial ideas, drawing on reading and research where necessary	Planning Writing
Drafting Writing	sequencing sentences to form short narratives re-reading what they have written to check that it makes sense	writing down ideas and/or key words, including new vocabulary encapsulating what they want to say, sentence by sentence	 in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot 	organising paragraphs around a theme in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot in non-narrative material, using simple organisational devices (headings & subheadings)	meaning • in narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action • précising longer passages • using a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs	selecting appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning in narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action 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	Drafting Writing
Editing Writing	discuss what they have written with the teacher or other pupils	evaluating their writing with the teacher and other pupils rereading to check that their writing makes sense and that verbs to indicate time are used correctly and consistently, including verbs in the continuous form proofreading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation	writing and suggesting improvements • proposing changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency, including the accurate use of	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 proofread for spelling and punctuation errors		assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing proposing changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to enhance effects and clarify meaning ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural, distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate register proofread for spelling and punctuation errors	Editing Writing
Performing Writing	read their writing aloud clearly enough to be heard by their peers and the teacher.	read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear		 read their own writing aloud, to a group or the whole class, using appropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear. 	perform their own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume, and movement so that meaning is clear.	perform their own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume, and movement so that meaning is clear.	Performing Writing
Vocabulary	leaving spaces between words joining words and joining clauses using "and"	expanded noun phrases to describe and specify	extending the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although choosing nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause (and place)	extending the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although choosing nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause (and place)		use a thesaurus using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely using modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility	Vocabulary

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Grammar (edited to reflect content in Appendix 2)	regular plural noun suffixes (-s, -es) verb suffixes where root word is unchanged (-ing, -ed, -er) un- prefix to change meaning of adjectives/adverbs to combine words to make sentences, including using and Sequencing sentences to form short narratives separation of words with spaces sentence demarcation (.!?) capital letters for names and pronoun 'I')	sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command the present and past tenses correctly and consistently including the progressive form subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and coordination (using or, and, or but) some features of written Standard English suffixes to form new words (-ful, -er, -ness) sentence demarcation commas in lists apostrophes for omission & singular possession	using the present perfect form of verbs in contrast to the past tense form nouns using prefixes (super-, anti-) use the correct form of 'a' or 'an' word families based on common words (solve, solution, dissolve, insoluble)	using fronted adverbials difference between plural and possessive -s Standard English verb inflections (I did vs I done) extended noun phrases, including with prepositions appropriate choice of pronoun or noun to create cohesion	using relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with an implied (i.e. omitted) relative pronoun converting nouns or adjectives into verbs verb prefixes devices to build cohesion, including adverbials of time, place and number	recognising vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing, including subjunctive forms using passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentence using the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause differences in informal and formal language synonyms & Antonyms further cohesive devices such as grammatical connections and adverbials use of ellipsis	Grammar (edited to reflect content in Appendix 2)
Punctuation (edited to reflect content in Appendix 2)	beginning to punctuate sentences using a capital letter and a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark using a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun 'I'	learning how to use both familiar and new punctuation correctly, including full stops, capital letters, exclamation marks, question marks, commas for lists and apostrophes for contracted forms and the possessive (singular)	using and punctuating direct speech (i.e. Inverted commas)	using commas after fronted adverbials indicating possession by using the possessive apostrophe with singular and plural nouns using and punctuating direct speech (including punctuation within and surrounding inverted commas)		using hyphens to avoid ambiguity using semicolons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses using a colon to introduce a list punctuating bullet points consistently	Punctuation (edited to reflect content in Appendix 2)
Grammatical Terminology	letter, capital letter, word, singular, plural, sentence punctuation, full stop, question mark, exclamation mark	command, compound, adjective, verb, suffix , adverb	adverb, preposition conjunction, word family, prefix, clause, subordinate clause, direct speech, consonant, consonant letter vowel, vowel letter, inverted commas (or 'speech marks')	determiner, pronoun, possessive pronoun, adverbial	modal verb, relative pronoun, relative clause, parenthesis, bracket, dash, cohesion, ambiguity	subject, object, active, passive, synonym, antonym, ellipsis, hyphen, colon, semi-colon, bullet points	Grammatical Terminology

As taken from the National Curriculum	In summarised form
• speedily read all 40+ letters/groups for 40+ phonemes	Speedily read all basic phoneme/graphemes
read accurately by blending taught GPC	Read accurately by blending known GPCs
read common exception words	Read common exception words
• read common suffixes (-s, -es, -ing, -ed, etc.)	Read common suffixes
read multisyllable words containing taught GPCs	Read multisyllable words containing known GPCs
read contractions and understanding use of apostrophe	Read contractions and understand use of apostrophe
*becoming very familiar with key stories, fairy stories and traditional tales, retelling them and considering their particular characteristics	Retell familiar stories and traditional tales
*recognising and joining in with predictable phrases	Recognise and join in with predictable phrases
*learning to appreciate rhymes and poems, and to recite some by heart	Recite some poetry by heart
*drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher	Understand texts based on prior knowledge or provided information
*checking that the text makes sense to them as they read and correcting inaccurate reading	Correct inaccurate reading by check for sense
*discussing the significance of the title and events	Discuss the significance of title and events
*making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done	Make inferences on the basis of what is said and done
*predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far	Make predictions based on reading so far
*explain clearly their understanding of what is read to them	Explain clearly understanding of what is read to them

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secure phonic decoding until reading is fluent	Read fluently using decoding skill
read accurately by blending, including alternative sounds for graphemes	Read accurately by blending, including alternative sounds for graphemes
read multisyllable words containing these graphemes	Read multisyllable words containing known graphemes
• read common suffixes	Read common suffixes
read exception words, noting unusual correspondences	Read exception words
read most words quickly & accurately without overt sounding and blending	Read most words quickly and accurately without overt sounding and blending
Iistening to, discussing and expressing views about a wide range of contemporary and classic poetry, stories and non-fiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently	Discuss and express views on a wide range of poetry, stories and non-fiction
recognising simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry	Recognise simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry
• continuing to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some, with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear	Perform poetry learnt by heart with appropriate intonation
discussing and clarifying the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary	Discuss and clarify the meanings of words
discussing the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related	Discuss the sequence of events in books
making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done	Make inferences on the basis of what is being said and done
answering and asking questions	Ask and answer questions about a text
predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far	Predict what might happen based on reading so far
• explain and discuss their understanding of books, poems and other material, both those that they listen to and those that they read for themselves	Explain and discuss understanding of a range of reading

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apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes to read aloud	Read aloud and understand words based on knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes
• read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word	Read further exception words, including those with unusual spelling/sound links
retelling some of these (fairy tales, traditional tales, etc.) orally	Retell some fairy tales or traditional tales orally
identifying themes and conventions in a wide range of books	Identify themes and conventions in a range of books
• preparing poems and play scripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action	Perform plays and poetry aloud using intonation, tone, volume and action
recognising some different forms of poetry	Recognise some different forms of poetry
using dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read	Use dictionaries to check the meanings of words
• checking that the text makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context	Check that a text makes sense, including explaining the meaning of words in context
identifying main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these	Identify and summarise the main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph
drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions	Draw inferences about feelings thoughts and motives
justify inferences with evidence	Use evidence to justify inferences
discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination	Discuss words and phrases which capture the reader's interest
identifying how language contributes to meaning	Identify how language contributes to meaning
identifying how structure and presentation contribute to meaning	Identify how structure and presentation contribute to meaning
retrieve and record information from non-fiction	Retrieve and record information from non-fiction texts

As taken from the National Curriculum	In summarised form
• apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (morphology and etymology), both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words	Use knowledge of morphology and etymology to read aloud and understand new words
making comparisons within and across books	Make comparisons within and across books
modern fiction, fiction from our literary heritage, and books from other cultures and traditions	Read a range of modern fiction, fiction from literary heritage and books from other cultures and traditions
identifying and discussing themes and conventions in and across a wide range of writing	Identify and discuss themes and conventions across a wide range of writing
checking that the book makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and exploring the meaning of words in context	Discuss understanding of texts, including exploring meaning of words in context
asking questions to improve their understanding	Ask questions to improve understanding of texts
• summarising the main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph, identifying key details to support the main ideas	Summarise ideas drawn from more than one paragraphs, identifying key details
predicting what might happen from details stated and implied	Predict future events from details stated and implied
identifying how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning	Identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning
• discuss and evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader	Discuss how authors use language, including figurative language, to affect the reader
• recommending books that they have read to their peers, giving reasons for their choices	Make book recommendations, giving reasons for choices
• participate in discussions about books, building on their own and others' ideas and challenging views courteously	Participate in discussions about books, building on and challenging ideas
explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read,	Explain and discuss understanding of reading
including through formal presentations and debates,	Participate in formal presentations and debates about reading
provide reasoned justifications for their views	Provide reasoned justifications for views

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spell words containing each of the 40+ phonemes taught	Spell words using the standard phonemes
spell common exception words	Spell common exception words
spell the days of the week	Spell the days of the week
name the letters of the alphabet in order	Name the letters of the alphabet in order
 using the spelling rule for adding –s or –es as the plural marker for nouns and the third person singular marker for verbs 	Understand spelling rules for adding 's'
• using -ing, -ed, -er and -est where no change is needed in the spelling of root words	Use suffixes -ing, -ed, -er and -est
sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly	Sit and hold writing implement correctly
begin to form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place	Begin to form lower-case letters correctly
form capital letters	Form capital letters
• form digits 0-9	Form digits 0-9
composing a sentence orally before writing it	Compose a sentence orally before writing
sequencing sentences to form short narratives	Sequence sentences to form short narratives
read their writing aloud clearly enough to be heard by their peers and the teacher.	Read writing aloud audibly and clearly
leaving spaces between words	Leave spaces between words
joining words and joining clauses using "and"	Join words and clauses using 'and'

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segmenting spoken words into phonemes and representing these by graphemes, spelling many correctly	Break words into phonemes for spelling
 learning new ways of spelling phonemes for which 1 or more spellings are already known, and learn some words with each spelling, including a few common homophones 	Know some spellings which use variations of standard phonemes
learning the possessive apostrophe (singular)	Use the possessive apostrophe
learning to spell more words with contracted forms	Spell some words with contracted forms
add suffixes to spell longer words, including –ment, –ness, –ful, –less, –ly	Use suffixes to spell longer words, including -ment, -ness, -less, -ful, -ly
form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another	Form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another
write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower-case letters	Write capital letters of appropriate size
writing for different purposes	Write for different purposes
read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear	Read aloud using appropriate intonation
expanded noun phrases to describe and specify	Use noun phrases
sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command	Use four main types of sentence appropriately
the present and past tenses correctly and consistently including the progressive form	Use present and past tense correctly
subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but)	Use some coordinating and subordinating conjunctions
learning how to use both familiar and new punctuation correctly, including full stops, capital letters, exclamation marks, question marks, commas for lists and apostrophes	Use appropriate demarcation punctuation
	Use commas for lists

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spell words that are often misspelt (Appendix 1)	Spell words which are often misspelt from the Y3-4 list
place the possessive apostrophe accurately in words with regular plurals and in words with irregular plurals	Use the possessive apostrophe accurately with plurals
use the first 2 or 3 letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary	Use a dictionary to check a spelling
• use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined	Use appropriate handwriting joins, including choosing unjoined letters
• discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar	Adopt the features of existing texts to shape own writing
• composing and rehearsing sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures	Build sentences with varied vocabulary and structures
organising paragraphs around a theme	Organise paragraphs around a theme
in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot	Develop detail of characters, settings and plot in narratives
in non-narrative material, using simple organisational devices (headings & subheadings)	Use simple organisational devices in non-fiction
• proposing changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency, including the accurate use of pronouns in sentences	Suggest improvements to grammar and vocabulary
proofread for spelling and punctuation errors	Proofread own work for spelling and punctuation errors
 read their own writing aloud, to a group or the whole class, using appropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear. 	Read aloud using appropriate intonation, tone and volume
extending the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although	Use a range of conjunctions to extend sentences with more than one clause
choosing nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition	Choose nouns and pronouns for clarity and cohesion
using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause (and place)	Use conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time, cause & place
using fronted adverbials	Use fronted adverbials
difference between plural and possessive -s	Understand the difference between plural and possessive '-s'
Standard English verb inflections (I did vs I done)	Recognise and use standard English verb inflections
extended noun phrases, including with prepositions	Use extended noun phrases, including with prepositions
 using and punctuating direct speech (including punctuation within and surrounding inverted commas) 	Use and punctuate direct speech correctly

As taken from the National Curriculum	In summarised form
spell some words with 'silent' letters	Spell some words with silent letters
continue to distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused	Recognise and use spellings for homophones and other often-confused words
use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words	Use a dictionary to check spelling and meaning
identifying the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own	Identify the audience and purpose before writing, and adapt accordingly
selecting appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning	Select appropriate grammar and vocabulary to change or enhance meaning
• in narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action	Develop setting, atmosphere and character, including through dialogue
précising longer passages	Précis longer passages
using a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs	Use a range of cohesive devices
using further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader	Use advanced organisational and presentational devices
ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing	Use the correct tense consistently throughout a piece of writing
ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural, distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate register	Ensure correct subject and verb agreement
perform their own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume, and movement so that meaning is clear.	Perform compositions using appropriate intonation, volume and movement
use a thesaurus	Use a thesaurus
using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely	Use expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely
using modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility	Use modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility
using relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with an implied (i.e. omitted) relative pronoun	Use relative clauses
converting nouns or adjectives into verbs	Convert nouns or adjectives into verbs
devices to build cohesion, including adverbials of time, place and number	Use adverbials of time, place and number for cohesion
recognising vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing, including subjunctive forms	Recognise vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal use
using passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentence	Use passive verbs to affect the presentation of information
using the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause	Use the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause
differences in informal and formal language	Recognise difference in informal and formal language
further cohesive devices such as grammatical connections and adverbials	Use grammatical connections and adverbials for cohesion
• use of ellipsis	Use ellipsis
using commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing	Use commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity
using brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis	Use brackets, dashes and commas to indicate parenthesis
using hyphens to avoid ambiguity	Use hyphens to avoid ambiguity
using semicolons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses	Use semi-colons, colons and dashes between independent clauses
using a colon to introduce a list	Use a colon to introduce a list
punctuating bullet points consistently	Punctuate bullet points consistently