

Reception	
Comprehension	Re-reads books to build up his/her confidence in word reading, his/her fluency and his/her understanding and enjoyment
	Anticipates, where appropriate, key events in stories (ELG)
	Demonstrates an understanding of what has been read to him/her by retelling stories and narratives using his/her own words and recently introduced vocabulary (ELG)
	Uses and understands recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role-play (ELG)
Word Reading	Reads individual letters by saying the sounds for them
	Is able to blend sounds into words, so that he/she can read short words made up of known letter- sound correspondences
	Can read some letter groups that each represent one sound and say the sounds for them
	Can read a few common exception words matched to the school's phonic programme
	Is able to read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter-sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words
	Reads aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with his/her phonic knowledge, including some common exception words (ELG)
	Can read words consistent with his/her phonic knowledge by sound-blending (ELG)
	Is able to say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs (ELG)
Writing	Can form lower-case and capital letters correctly
	Is able to spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s



Can write short sentences with words with known sound-letter correspondences using a capital letter and full stop
Re-reads what he/she has written to check that it makes sense
Spells words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters (ELG)
Writes recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed (ELG)
Writes simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others (ELG)

	Year 1	Year 2
Word Reading	Apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode	Continue to apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to
	words	decode words until automatic decoding has become embedded and reading is fluent
	Say sounds for 40+ graphemes, including one grapheme for	
	each of the 40+ phonemes	Read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain the graphemes for all 40+ phonemes
	Respond speedily with the correct sound to graphemes	
	(letters or groups of letters) for all 40+ phonemes, including, where applicable, alternative sounds for graphemes	Recognise alternative sounds for graphemes
		Read accurately words of two or more syllables that contain
	Read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words containing GPCs that have been taught	graphemes taught so far
		Read words containing common suffixes
	Read many common exception words from (English appendix	
	1)	Read common exception words, noting unusual correspondences
		between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word
	Read words containing taught GPCs and -s, -es, -ing, -ed, -er	Read words in age-appropriate books accurately and fluently
	and -est endings	without overt sounding and blending, and sufficiently fluently to
		allow him/her to focus on understanding rather than decoding



	Read aloud many words containing taught GPCs quickly and	
	accurately without overt sounding and blending	Read aloud books closely matched to his/her improving phonic knowledge, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately,
	Read other words of more than one syllable that contain taught GPCs	automatically and without undue hesitation
		Re-read books, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, to build
	Read words with contractions e.g. I'm, I'll, we'll, and understand that the apostrophe represents the omitted letter(s)	up fluency and confidence in word reading
	Read aloud accurately books that are consistent with developing phonic knowledge and that do not require use of other strategies, such as guessing words from pictures or the context of the sentence, to work out words	
	Re-read phonically decodable books to build up fluency and confidence in word reading	
Comprehension	Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by listening to and discussing a wide range	Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by listening to, discussing and expressing views
	of poems, stories and non-fiction at a level beyond that at which he/she can read independently	about a wide range of contemporary and classic poetry, stories an non-fiction at a level beyond that at which he/she can read independently
	Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary	
	and understanding by being encouraged to talk about events in what is read or heard read and link them to his/her own experiences	Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by discussing the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related
	Retell some of a familiar story/rhyme, when being read to by an adult (one-to-one or in a small group)	Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by becoming increasingly familiar with and retelling a wider range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales.
	Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by joining in with predictable phrases	



Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary	Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and
and understanding by becoming very familiar with key stories,	understanding by recognising simple recurring literary language in
fairy stories and traditional tales, retelling them and	stories and poetry
considering their particular characteristics	
	Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and
Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary	understanding by discussing and clarifying the meanings of words,
and understanding by learning to appreciate rhymes and	linking new meanings to known vocabulary
poems, and to recite some by heart	
	Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and
Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary	understanding by discussing his/her favourite words and phrases
and understanding by discussing word meanings, linking new	
meanings to those already known	Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and
	understanding by continuing to build up a repertoire of poems
Understand both the books he/she can already read	learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some, with
accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by drawing	appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear
on what is already known or on background information and	
vocabulary provided by the teacher	Understand both the books that he/she can already read
	accurately and fluently and those that he/she listens to by drawing
Understand both the books he/she can already read	on what he/she already knows or on background information and
accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by	vocabulary provided by the teacher
checking that the text makes sense as he/she reads and	
corrects inaccurate reading	Understand both the books that he/she can already read
	accurately and fluently and those that he/she listens to by
Understand both the books he/she can already read	checking that the text makes sense to him/her as he/she reads and
accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by	corrects inaccurate reading
discussing the significance of the title and events	
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accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by making	answering questions and making inferences on the basis of what is
inferences on the basis of what is being said and done	being said and done
Understand both the books he/she can already read	Make inferences on the basis of what is said and done in a book
accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by	he/she is reading independently



	predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far	Understand both the books that he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those that he/she listens to by answering and asking questions and making links
	Participate in discussion about what is read to him/her, taking turns and listening to what others say	Understand both the books that he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those that he/she listens to by making
	Explain clearly his/her understanding of what is read to him/her	plausible predictions about what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far
	Answer questions in discussion with the teacher and make simple inferences	Participate in discussion about books, poems and other works that are read to him/her and those that he/she can read for himself/herself, taking turns and listening to what others say
		Explain and discuss his/her understanding of books, poems and other material, both those that he/she listens to and those that he/she reads for himself/herself
		Explain what has happened so far in what he/she has read
Spelling	Segment spoken words into phonemes and represent them	Spell by segmenting spoken words into phonemes and
	with graphemes, spelling some correctly and making phonically-plausible attempts at others	representing these by graphemes, spelling many correctly and making phonically-plausible attempts at others
	Spell words containing each of the 40+ phonemes already taught	Spell by learning new ways of spelling phonemes for which one or more spellings are already known, and learn some words with each spelling, including a few common homophones
	Identify or write the 40+ graphemes in Standard 4 of English language comprehension and reading on hearing the corresponding phonemes	Spell many common exception words
		Spell most common exception words
	Spell a few common exception words (e.g. I, the, he, said, of)	Spell some words with contracted forms
	Spell some common exception words	
		Spell most words with contracted forms



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	Spell the days of the week	Spell by learning the possessive apostrophe (singular) e.g. the girl's
		book
	Name the letters of the alphabet in order	
		Spell by distinguishing between homophones and near-
	Name the letters of the alphabet using letter names to	homophones
		nomophones
	distinguish between alternative spellings of the same sound	
		Add suffixes to spell some longer words correctly, including -ment,
	Add prefixes and suffixes using the spelling rule for adding -s	-ness, -ful, -less, -ly
	or -es as the plural marker for nouns and the third person	
	singular marker for verbs	Add suffixes to spell most longer words correctly (e.gment, -ness,
		-ful, -less, -ly)
	Add the prefix un-	
		Apply spelling rules and guidance, as listed in (English Appendix 1)
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	Add prefixes and suffixes using -ing, -ed, -er and -est where	
	no change is needed in the spelling of root words e.g. helping,	Write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher that
	helped, helper, eating, quicker, quickest	include words using the GPCs, common exception words and
		punctuation taught so far
	Apply simple spelling rules and guidance, as listed in (English	
	Appendix 1)	
	Write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher	
	that include words using the GPCs and common exception	
	words taught so far	
	Spell words by identifying the phonemes and representing the	
	phonemes with graphemes, including words with consonant	
	clusters and simple digraphs (e.g. frog, hand, see, chop, storm,	
	splash)	
Handwriting	Sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and	Form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another
	correctly	in some of his/her writing
		in some or mayner writing
	Form most lower-case letters correctly	Form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another
		in most of his/her writing



Form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and Finishing in the right place Form capital letters	Use the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters in some of his/her writing Use the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters
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Form digits 0-9	Understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined
Understand which letters belong to which handwriting	
families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways) and practise these.	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
Nrite sentences by saying out loud what he/she is going to	Write sentences that are linked thematically e.g. about personal
write about, after discussion with the teacher	experiences and those of others (real and fictional)
Nrite down one of the sentences that he/she has rehearsed	Write about real events, recording these simply and clearly
Compose and write sentences independently to convey ideas	Write poetry to develop positive attitudes and stamina for writing
Write sentences, sequencing them to form short narratives real or fictional)	Write for different purposes to develop positive attitudes and stamina for writing
Nrite sentences by re-reading what he/she has written to check that it makes sense	Write effectively and coherently for different purposes, drawing on his/her reading to inform the vocabulary and grammar of his/her writing
Discuss what he/she has written with the teacher or other	
pupils	Consider what he/she is going to write before beginning by
	planning or saying out loud what he/she is going to write about
Read aloud his/her writing clearly enough to be heard by	
nis/her peers and the teacher	Consider what he/she is going to write before beginning by writing down ideas and/or key words, including new vocabulary
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		Consider what he/she is going to write before beginning by encapsulating what he/she wants to say, sentence by sentence
		Make simple additions, revisions and corrections to his/her own writing by evaluating their writing with the teacher and other pupils
		Make simple additions, revisions and corrections to his/her own writing by re-reading to check that his/her writing makes sense and that verbs to indicate time are used correctly and consistently, including verbs in the continuous form
		Make simple additions, revisions and corrections to his/her own writing by proof-reading e.g. check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation or add/improve words and phrases independently or following a conversation with the teacher
		Read aloud what he/she has written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear
Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation	Use regular plural noun suffixes -s or -es e.g. dog, dogs; wish, wishes, including the effects of these suffixes on the meaning of the noun	Form nouns using suffixes such as -ness, -er and by compounding e.g. whiteboard, superman
		Form adjectives using suffixes such as -ful, -less
	Use suffixes that can be added to verbs where no change is	
	needed in the spelling of root words e.g. helping, helped, helper	Use suffixes -er, -est in adjectives and use -ly to turn adjectives into adverbs e.g. smoothly, softly, bigger, biggest
	Understand how the prefix un- changes the meaning of verbs and adjectives e.g. negation, for example, unkind, or undoing: untie the boat	Use co-ordination (using or, and, but) and some subordination (using when, if, that, because) to join clauses
	Understand how words can combine to make sentences	Use expanded noun phrases for description and specification e.g. the blue butterfly, plain flour, the man in the moon



Join words and clauses using and	Understand how the grammatical patterns in a sentence indicate
	its function as a statement, question, exclamation or command
Separate words with spaces	
	Use present and past tense mostly correctly and consistently
Use capital letters and full stops to demarcate sentences in	
some of his/her writing	Use the progressive form of verbs in the present and past tense to
	mark actions in progress e.g. she is drumming, he was shouting
Begin to punctuate work using question marks and	
exclamation marks	Use capital letters and full stops to demarcate most sentences in
	his/her writing and use question marks correctly when required
Use a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of	
the week, and the personal pronoun I	Use question marks and exclamation marks appropriately
Understand the following terminology: letter, capital letter;	Use commas to separate items in a list
word, singular, plural; sentence; and punctuation, full stop,	
question mark, exclamation mark.	Use apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and
	to mark singular possession in nouns e.g. the girl's name
	Understand the following terminology: noun, noun phrase;
	statement, question, exclamation, command; compound, suffix;
	adjective, adverb, verb; tense (past, present); and apostrophe,
	comma