

Year 1 English Curriculum

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READING	Word Reading	Apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words
		Respond speedily with the correct sound to graphemes (letters or groups of letters) for all 40+ phonemes, including, where applicable,
		alternative sounds for graphemes
		Read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words containing GPCs that have been taught
		Read many common exception words from (English appendix 1)
		Read words containing taught GPCs and -s, -es, -ing, -ed, -er and -est endings
		Read other words of more than one syllable that contain taught GPCs
		Read words with contractions e.g. I'm, I'll, we'll, and understand that the apostrophe represents the omitted letter(s)
		Read aloud many words containing taught GPCs quickly and accurately without overt sounding and blending
		Read aloud accurately books that are consistent with developing phonic knowledge and that do not require use of other strategies to
		work out words
		Re-read phonically decodable books to build up fluency and confidence in word reading
		Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by listening to and discussing a wide range of poems,
		stories and 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 link what is read or heard read
		to his/her own experiences.
		Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by becoming very familiar with key stories, fairy stories
		and traditional tales, retelling them and considering their particular characteristics.
		Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by joining in with predictable phrases.
		Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by learning to appreciate rhymes and poems, and to
		recite some by heart.
		Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by discussing word meanings, linking new meanings to
		those already known.
	Comprehension	Understand both the books he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by drawing on what is a lready
		known or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher.
		Understand both the books he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by checking that the text makes
		sense as he/she reads and corrects inaccurate reading.
		Understand both the books he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by discussing the significance of
		the title and events.
		Understand both the books he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by making inferences on the
		basis of what is being said and done.
		Understand both the books he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by predicting what might happen
		on the basis of what has been read so far.
		Participate in discussion about what is read to him/her, taking turns and listening to what others say.
		Explain clearly his/her understanding of what is read to him/her.

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WRITING		Spelling
		Segment spoken words into phonemes and represent them with graphemes, spelling some correctly and making phonically-plausible
		attempts at others.
		Spell words containing each of the 40+ phonemes already taught.
		Spell some common exception words.
		Spell the days of the week.
		Name the letters of the alphabet in order.
		Name the letters of the alphabet using letter names to distinguish between alternative spellings of the same sound. Add prefixes and suffixes using the spelling rule for adding -s or -es as the plural marker for nouns and the third person singular marker for
	Transcription	verbs.
		Add prefixes and suffixes using the prefix un-
	Transcription	Add prefixes and suffixes using -ing, -ed, -er and -est where no change is needed in the spelling of root words e.g. helping, helped, helper,
		eating, quicker, quickest.
		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.
		<u>Handwriting</u>
		Sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly.
		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' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways) and practise these.
		Write sentences by saying out loud what he/she is going to write about.
	Composition	Compose and write sentences independently to convey ideas.
		Write sentences, sequencing them to form short narratives (real or fictional).
		Write sentences by re-reading what he/she has written to check that it makes sense.
		Discuss what he/she has written with the teacher or other pupils.
		Read aloud his/her writing clearly enough to be heard by his/her peers and the teacher.
		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. Use suffixes that can be added to verbs where no change is needed in the spelling of root words e.g. helping, helped, helper.
		Understand how the prefix un- changes the meaning of verbs and adjectives e.g. negation, for example, unkind, or undoing: until the boat.
		Understand how words can combine to make sentences.
	Vocabulary,	Join words and clauses using and.
	Grammar and	Separate words with spaces.
	Punctuation	Use capital letters and full stops to demarcate sentences in some of his/her writing.
	· anctaction	Begin to punctuate work using question marks and exclamation marks.
		Use a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun I.
		Understand the following terminology: letter, capital letter; word, singular, plural; sentence; and punctuation, full stop, question mark,
		exclamation mark.