

Writing Key Performance Indicators

Writing statements of EXS.

Reception	Begins to form most lower-case letters in the correct direction and can write their name correctly.
REXS	Makes phonetically plausible attempts to spell words using the GPCs taught so far and begins to write some irregular common words (red words).
	Begins to write a simple sentence or phrase that can be read by themselves and others.
	Begins to use capital letters and full stops with teacher input.
Year One	Forms lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place
1EXS	Writes sentences by: 1. sequencing sentences to form short narratives; and 2. re-reading what has been written to check that it makes sense.
	Writes from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher that include words using the GPCs and common exception words taught so far
	Uses capital letters and full stops to demarcate sentences and begins to use question marks and exclamation marks.
Year Two	Writes capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters
2EXS	Develops positive attitudes towards, and stamina for, writing, by writing for different purposes
	Makes simple additions, revisions and corrections to writing.
	Uses the suffixes –er, –est in adjectives and –ly to turn adjectives into adverbs
	Constructs subordination (using when, if, that, because) and co-ordination (using or, and, but)
	Uses the correct choice and consistent use of present tense and past tense throughout a written piece
	Uses capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences
	Use commas to separate items in a list
Year Three	Organises paragraphs around a theme
3EXS	In narratives, creates settings, characters and plot
	Proof-reads for spelling and punctuation errors
	Uses the forms 'a' or 'an' according to whether the next word begins with a consonant or a vowel eg a rock, an open box
	Confidently constructs subordination (using when, if, that, because) and co-ordination (using or, and, but)
	Begins to express time, place and cause using conjunctions
	Introduces inverted commas to punctuate direct speech
	Uses headings and sub-headings to aid presentation
	Uses the present perfect form of verbs instead of the simple past eg 'He has gone out to play' in contrast to 'He went out to play'
Year Four	Organises paragraphs around a theme In narratives, creates settings, characters and plot
4EXS	Proof-reads for spelling and punctuation errors
	Uses standard English forms for verb inflections instead of local spoken forms
	Uses fronted adverbials effectivley
	Can choose an appropriate pronoun or noun within and across sentences to aid cohesion and avoid repetition
	Uses inverted commas and other punctuation to indicate direct speech

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Year Five	Composition - Identifies the audience for, and purpose of, the writing
5EXS	Selects the appropriate form and uses other similar writing as models for their own
	Proof-reads for spelling and punctuation errors
	Ensures the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing
	Uses further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader (eg headings, bullet points, underlining)
	Describes settings, characters and atmosphere
	SPaG - nouns or adjectives into verbs using suffixes (eg -ate; -ise; -ify)
	Indicates degrees of possibility using adverbs (eg perhaps, surely) or modal verbs (eg might, should, will, must)
	Uses devices to build cohesion within a paragraph (eg then, after that, this, firstly)
	Uses commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity
Year Six	Composition - Identifies the audience for, and purpose of, the writing
6EXS	Selects the appropriate form and uses other similar writing as models for their own
	Proof-reads for spelling and punctuation errors
	Ensures the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing
	Uses further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader (eg headings, bullet points, underlining)
	Can describe settings, characters and atmosphere
	SPaG - understand and apply the difference between vocabulary typical of informal speech and vocabulary appropriate for formal speech and writing
	(eg find out - discover; ask for - request; go in - enter)
	Uses the passive voice to affect the presentation of information in a sentence (eg 'I broke the window in the greenhouse' versus 'The window in the
	greenhouse was broken (by me)'
	Can use layout devices, such as headings, sub-headings, columns, bullets, or tables, to structure text
	Uses the colon to introduce a list
	Punctuates bullet points to list information