

CELT Small School Progression of Skills in Writing Curriculum - Year 5 and Year 6

Year 6 writing units

Non-fiction
Fiction
Skills work
Poetry
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Scaffolded



Eye of the Storm (Narrative setting) Flashback Dialogue



Beyond the lines (Narrative Flashback)



The Christmas Truce (Lit Shed- John Lewis) (Letter writing)



Diary of Anne Frank (Biography)



The Arrival
(Non fiction- fact file
Newspaper report)



Alma Mystery Story (Extracts from Cogheart)



Francis (Mystery Story)



(Non-chronological report based on curriculum coverage – e.g. Shackleton's Journey)





Transition unit- Horror (adapt the transition unit to be around the 'The Facts in the case of Mr Hollow' or The Mysteries of Harris Burdeck)

Phonic & Whole word spelling

- spell some words with 'silent' letters confidently
- continue to distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused confidently
- 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, confidently **See Spelling Progression in separate document**

Other word building spelling

meaning of words
confidently
• use the first 3 or 4
letters of a word to
confidently check
spelling, meaning or
both of these in a
dictionary
• use further prefixes

understand the guidance

and suffixes and

 use dictionaries to check the spelling and

- use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words confidently
- use the first 3 or 4 letters of a word to confidently check spelling, meaning or both of these in a dictionary
- use a thesaurus confidently
- use further prefixes and suffixes and understand the guidance for adding them confidently



	for adding them confidently • use a thesaurus confidently							
Transcription	Work independently to transcribe own thoughts, opinions and ideas or take notes from others including videos and audio recordings.							
Handwriting	 confidently choose which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding whether or not to join specific letters confidently choose the writing implement that is best suited for a task 							
Contexts for Writing	 in writing narratives, confidently consider how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed identify confidently the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own 	identify confidently 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, confidently consider how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed identify confidently the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own 	identify confidently 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, confidently consider how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed identify confidently the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own			
Planning Writing	Confidently note and develop	initial ideas, drawing on reading and resea	rch where necessary					
Drafting Writing	 confidently use a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs in narratives, confidently describe settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action 	 confidently select appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning in narratives, confidently describe settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action 	• confidently precis longer passages (note taking from videos and texts)	 confidently use further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader in narratives, confidently describe settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action 	confidently precis longer passages (note taking from videos and texts)			
Editing Writing	 confidently assess the effect confidently propose change ensure the consistent and c	ctiveness of their own and others' writing es to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation correct use of tense throughout a piece of verb agreement when using singular and percofread for spelling and punctuation erro	writing olural, distinguishing between the langu		ing the appropriate register			



Performing Writing	Perform their own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume, and movement so that meaning is clear.					
Word	synonyms & antonyms - understand how words share connected meaning through synonyms and that prefixes can change the meaning of a root word.		structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing in contrasts with those used informally, such as to find out > discover, ask for > request,	 recognise vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing in contrasts with those used informally, such as to find out > discover, ask for > request, including subjunctive forms 	 recognise vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing in contrasts with those used informally, such as to find out > discover, ask for > request, 	
	 Converting nouns or adjectives into verbs using suffixes [for example, -ate; -ise; -ify] 		 Verb prefixes [for example, dis-, de-, mis-, over- and re-] 			
Sentence	 confidently use expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely confidently use modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility to recognise and use language structures typical of formal and informal speech (i.e. the subjunctive (F) vs question tags and contractions) for SPAG knowledge. 	confidently use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with and applied but omitted relative pronoun.	use passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentence I.e. I broke the window vs the window in the greenhouse was broken (by me) use the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause Confidently use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with and applied but omitted relative pronoun	to recognise and use language structures typical of formal and informal speech (i.e. the subjunctive (F) vs question tags and contractions) for SPAG knowledge.	 use the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause use passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentence I.e. I broke the window vs the window in the greenhouse was broken (by me). 	
	• Indicating degrees of possibility using adverbs [for example, perhaps, surely] or modal verbs [for example, might, should, will, must]	Begin to use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that, or an omitted relative pronoun	Begin to use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that, or an omitted relative pronoun	 Begin to use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that, or an omitted relative pronoun Indicating degrees of possibility using adverbs [for example, perhaps, surely] or modal verbs [for example, might, should, will, must] 	Begin to use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that, or an omitted relative pronoun	Begin to use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that, or an omitted relative pronoun



Text	Revisit the range of cohesive devices available in writing. Pronouns Determiners Nouns Conjunctions Prepositions i.e. example, before, after, during, in, because of. Adverbs/adverbials (who, when and where) organizing paragraphs around a theme and starting a new paragraph to show a change in location, person, time or event. Choosing when to use pronouns and nouns appropriately to avoid repetition and promote clarity. Repetition of a word or phrase Ellipsis to create suspense Verb openers Expanded noun phrases Further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader [for example, headings, subheadings, columns, or tables, bullet points, underlining] (in non-fiction) use the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause		 continue to use further cohesive devices such as grammatical connections (connecting phrases) and the previous list. use of ellipsis to create suspense use a range of layout devices (headings, subheadings, columns, bullets, tables) to structure a text 	use of ellipsis to create suspense	 use of ellipsis to create suspense use of ellipsis to create suspense use a range of layout devices (headings, subheadings, columns, bullets, tables) to structure a text 	use of ellipsis to create suspense
	Devices to build cohesion within a paragraph [for example, then, after that, this, firstly]	Linking ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time [for example, later], place [for example, nearby] and number [for example, secondly] or tense choices [for example, he had seen her before]	 Linking ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time [for example, later], place [for example, nearby] and number [for example, secondly]-or tense choices [for example, he had seen her before] 	Linking ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time [for example, later], place [for example, nearby] and number [for example, secondly] or tense choices [for example, he had seen her before]	• Devices to build cohesion within a paragraph [for example, then, after that, this, firstly] Linking ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time [for example, later], place [for example, nearby] and number [for example, secondly] tense choices [for example, he had seen her before]	
Punctuation	use a colon to introduce a listuse semicolons within lists	use a colon to introduce a listuse semicolons within lists	 punctuate bullet points consistently use a colon to introduce a list use semicolons within lists 	 use a colon to introduce a list use semicolons within lists use brackets, dashes or commas confidently to indicate parenthesis. 	 use a colon to introduce a list use semicolons within lists use brackets, dashes or commas confidently to indicate parenthesis. 	 use a colon to introduce a list use semicolons within lists use brackets, dashes or commas confidently to indicate parenthesis.



introduced	sentence types					
Sentence types	De:De Recap previous	3 bad-dash question	The question is: Some; others		Paired conjunction (PC)	Imagine 3 examples
and understand	Modal verb, cohesion Outside, inside	parenthesis, bracket relative pronoun relative clause	parenthesis, bracket, dash	parenthesis, bracket, dash, commas	cohesion, ambiguity	
Terminology for pupils to use and understand	ellipses, synonym, antonym, colon, semi- colon, hyphen, subject, object,		bullet points active, passive,		bullet points	
	Use of commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity	Brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis	Brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis	Brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis	 Use of commas to clarify me Brackets, dashes or commas to 	
	or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses • edit for comma splicing	clauses • edit for comma splicing				
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