

Year 1 Writing

Being ready to write and approaching a writing task

- Before a writing task, write down some key words or ideas to use in my writing, including some new vocabulary from books.
- Talk about what I am going to write about before writing it.
- Say my sentences out loud before writing them, knowing where one sentence ends and another one begins.

Narrative writing

- Write short narratives that are in order and use some simple description.

Coherence and cohesion

- Begin to link my sentences and ideas together using pronouns.

Expanding description and detail

- Write short narratives that are in order and use some simple description.

Proofreading, editing and evaluating

- Read my work aloud, with other pupils and the teacher, to check it makes sense.
- Read my work aloud clearly.

Sentence structure and function

- Write simple sentences.
- Use 'and' to join words and clauses.
- Write some exclamation sentences, each ending with an exclamation mark.
- Write some question sentences, each ending with a question mark.

Punctuation

- Use a capital letter for the pronoun 'I' and for the names of people and places, and the days of the week.
- Begin to use capital letters and full stops for my sentences.

Verbs

- Use the past tense and present tense as needed, although irregular verbs may not always be formed correctly.

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Spelling

- Write Y1 dictated sentences, generally correctly.
- All Reception key words are spelt correctly.
- Most Y1 key words are spelt correctly.
- Days of the week are spelt correctly.
- Use my phonics knowledge to make sensible attempts at words I am unsure how to spell.
- Apply my phonics knowledge so that some words are spelt correctly.
- When a noun or verb needs 's' or 'es' adding to make it plural, I remember to do this.
- Add suffixes such as 'ing', 'ed', 'er' and 'est' to root words.
- Add the prefix 'un' to some root words.

Handwriting

- Hold a pencil comfortably and correctly.
- Lower case letters are accurately formed.
- Capital letters are mostly accurately formed.
- The digits 0-9 are mostly accurately formed.
- Leave sensibly-sized spaces between most words.