



Literacy Overview Year 2

Spoken language	Reading (words)	Reading (comprehension)	Spelling	Handwriting	Composition	Word	Sentence	Text	Punctuation	Terminology
<p>Listen and respond appropriately to adults and their peers</p> <p>Ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge</p> <p>Use relevant strategies to build their vocabulary</p> <p>Articulate and justify answers, arguments and opinions</p> <p>Give well-structured descriptions, explanations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings</p> <p>Maintain attention and participate actively in collaborative conversations, staying on topic and initiating and responding to comments</p> <p>Use spoken language to develop understanding through speculating, hypothesising, imagining and exploring ideas</p> <p>Speak audibly and fluently with an increasing command of Standard English</p> <p>Participate in discussions, presentations, performances, role play, improvisations and debates</p> <p>Gain, maintain and monitor the interest of the listener(s)</p> <p>Consider and evaluate different viewpoints, attending to and building on the contributions of others</p> <p>Select and use appropriate registers for effective communication.</p>	<p>Continue to apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words until automatic decoding has become embedded and reading is fluent</p> <p>Read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain the graphemes taught so far, especially recognising alternative sounds for graphemes</p> <p>Read accurately words of two or more syllables that contain the same graphemes as above</p> <p>Read words containing common suffixes</p> <p>Read further common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word</p> <p>Read most words quickly and accurately, without overt sounding and blending, when they have been frequently encountered</p> <p>Read aloud books closely matched to their improving phonic knowledge, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, automatically and without undue hesitation</p> <p>Re-read these books to build up their fluency and confidence in word reading.</p>	<p><i>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by:</i></p> <p>Listening to, discussing and expressing views about a wide range of contemporary and classic poetry, stories and non-fiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently</p> <p>Discussing the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related</p> <p>Becoming increasingly familiar with and retelling a wider range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales</p> <p>Being introduced to non-fiction books that are structured in different ways</p> <p>Recognising simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry</p> <p>Discussing and clarifying the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary</p> <p>Discussing their favourite words and phrases</p> <p>Continuing to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some, with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear</p> <p><i>Understand both the books that they can already read accurately and fluently and those that they listen to by:</i></p> <p>Drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher</p> <p>Checking that the text makes sense to them as they read and correcting inaccurate reading</p> <p>Making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done</p> <p>Answering and asking questions</p> <p>Predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far</p> <p>Participate in discussion about books, poems and other works that are read to them and those that they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what others say</p> <p>Explain and discuss their understanding of books, poems and other material, both those that they listen to and those that they read for themselves.</p>	<p>Segmenting spoken words into phonemes and representing these by graphemes, spelling many correctly</p> <p>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</p> <p>Learning to spell common exception words</p> <p>Learning to spell more words with contracted forms</p> <p>Learning the possessive apostrophe (singular) [for example, the girl's book]</p> <p>Distinguishing between homophones and near-homophones</p> <p>Add suffixes to spell longer words, including –ment, –ness, –ful, –less, –ly</p> <p>Apply spelling rules and guidance, as listed in English Appendix 1</p> <p>Write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher that include words using the GPCs, common exception words and punctuation taught so far.</p>	<p>Form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another</p> <p>Start using some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined</p> <p>Write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters</p> <p>Use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters.</p>	<p><i>Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by:</i></p> <p>Writing narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real and fictional)</p> <p>Writing about real events</p> <p>Writing poetry</p> <p>Writing for different purposes</p> <p><i>Consider what they are going to write before beginning by:</i></p> <p>Planning or saying out loud what they are going to write about</p> <p>Writing down ideas and/or key words, including new vocabulary</p> <p>Encapsulating what they want to say, sentence by sentence</p> <p><i>Make simple additions, revisions and corrections to their own writing by:</i></p> <p>Evaluating their writing with the teacher and other pupils</p> <p>Re-reading to check that their writing makes sense and that verbs to indicate time are used correctly and consistently, including verbs in the continuous form</p> <p>Proof-reading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation [for example, ends of sentences punctuated correctly]</p> <p>Read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear.</p>	<p>Formation of nouns using suffixes such as –ness, –er and by compounding [for example, <i>whiteboard, superman</i>]</p> <p>Formation of adjectives using suffixes such as –ful, –less</p> <p>Use of the suffixes –er, –est in adjectives and the use of –ly in Standard English to turn adjectives into adverbs</p>	<p>Subordination (using <i>when, if, that, because</i>) and co-ordination (using <i>or, and, but</i>)</p> <p>Expanded noun phrases for description and specification [for example, <i>the blue butterfly, plain flour, the man in the moon</i>]</p> <p>How the grammatical patterns in a sentence indicate its function as a statement, question, exclamation or command</p>	<p>Correct choice and consistent use of present tense and past tense throughout writing</p> <p>Use of the progressive form of verbs in the present and past tense to mark actions in progress [for example, <i>she is drumming, he was shouting</i>]</p>	<p>Use of capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences</p> <p>Commas to separate items in a list</p> <p>Apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and to mark singular possession in nouns [for example, <i>the girl's name</i>]</p>	<p>Noun</p> <p>noun phrase</p> <p>statement</p> <p>question,</p> <p>exclamation</p> <p>command</p> <p>compound</p> <p>suffix</p> <p>adjective</p> <p>adverb,</p> <p>verb</p> <p>tense (past, present)</p> <p>apostrophe</p> <p>comma</p>