

By the end of Year 6, children will not only leave the school being able to write for a variety of purposes, but able to write in a real life situation, essential for the next step in their education. There are 4 types of writing that will be covered in the English curriculum: narrative - writing to entertain; and non-fiction - writing to inform, writing to persuade and writing to discuss. Children will also cover a variety of poetry forms, building up a repertoire.

Purpose of writing to entertain (narrative): The purpose of narrative can be defined simply as to tell a story. However, that does not convey the many purposes of stories and the way that they work at different levels. The purpose of a narrator is to make the listener or reader respond in a particular way. Stories are written or told to entertain and enthral an audience. Stories can make us sad, horrify us, make us laugh, make us excited. They create imaginative worlds that can help us understand ourselves and the things around us and take us beyond our own experience. From the earliest times, stories have been a part of the way that people have explained their world, passed on their beliefs and memories and entertained one another. Narrative is central to learning, especially for young children who develop their understanding through making up stories about what has happened and what might happen. Children use narrative to organise their ideas, structure their thinking and, ultimately, their writing. Telling and writing stories is not simply a set of skills for children to learn, but an essential means for them to express themselves in creative and imaginative ways.

Common forms of narrative text	Talk for writing 'tales'
stories that use predictable and patterned language	wishing tale
traditional / folk stories / fairy tales	warning tale
stories set in familiar settings	conquering the monster tale
modifying well-known stories (changing a character; amending the ending;	finding tale
changing the setting etc.)	journey tale
stories set in historical contexts	losing tale
myths and legends	rags to riches tale
stories with flashbacks	tale of fear
stories set in fantasy words / science fiction stories	meeting tale
stories from different cultures	character flaw
adventure stories	
mystery stories	
scary stories	
narratives retold from another perspective (e.g. form the point of view of a	
different character)	
stories with morals or fables	
stories with dilemmas	
stories told as playscripts	
telling a story from a first-person narrative (e.g. diaries and letters)	



* simple na and retell told/ writting person * simple na are told/ with person * simple na are told/ past tense events are sequence create text make sent main part are huma animal * simple na use typical characters settings a whether if or real * 'story lang (e.g. once time, late etc.) may to create	rratives ings are ten in ird ird rratives rratives rratives written in e e d to cts that se icipants n or rratives instead of blue, jumper instead of top, policeman instead of man) etc. s, nd events magined guage' e upon a r that day As Year 1, plus: they are simply developed as either good or bac characters language choices help create realistic sounding narratives. e.g. adverbs, adjectives, precise instead of blue, jumper instead of top, policeman instead of man) etc.	 narratives and retellings written in past tense, and occasionally in the present tense events sequenced to create chronological plots through the use of 	As Year 3, plus: dialogue is used to convey characters' thoughts and to move the narrative forward language choices help create realistic sounding narratives. e.g. adverbs, adjectives precise nouns, expressive verbs and figurative language etc.	As Year 4, plus: narratives are told sequentially and non-sequentially (e.g. flashbacks) through the use adverbials and preposition descriptions of characters, setting, and atmosphere are developed through precise vocabulary choices e.g. adverbs, adjectives, precise nouns, expressive verbs and figurative language	As Year 5, plus: assured and conscious control is used to effectively and accurately convey meaning, particularly through manipulating grammar and vocabulary to achieve this



	purposeful sounding writing Retell and invent	Simple narrative and	characters' thoughts and to move the narrative forward • language choices help create realistic sounding narratives e.g. shouted/muttered instead of said etc. Developed narrative	Developed narrative	Developed narrative	Developed narrative
Writ	narrative	description	with focus on	with focus on	with focus on cohesion	with focus on
Writing to entertain – stories, including re-telling; character description: setting description	 concept of a sentence basic sequencing of sentences capital letters and end marks correct past tense form written in the third person conjunctions to join ideas 	 past tense and introduction to progressive past tense adverbs of time to sequence events adverbs for additional detail basic noun phrases singular possessive apostrophe apostrophe for contraction simple coordinating and subordinating conjunctions exclamation sentences 	paragraphing • 5 clear sections (T4W boxing up format) • conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to sequence events or to mark changes in setting • dialogue including direct speech • past perfect tense • prepositional phrases for settings • noun phrases • verbs and adverbs chosen for effect	sequence sequence organised into paragraphs using fronted adverbials to indicate changes in time or place different orders of sequences fronted adverbials as single words, phrases and clauses to create cohesion expanded noun phrases dialogue including direct speech to show character	 cohesion through a variety of devices links within and between paragraphs with adverbials past perfect tense to link events action, dialogue and description used to move events forward relative clauses with commas and dashes used for additional detail including omitted relative pronouns 	 atmosphere and shifts cohesion through a wider variety of devices (e.g. repetition of a word or phrase, ellipsis) sustained register with well-rounded ending atmosphere and mood created through effective word choice, sentence structure and literary devices shifts in formality past perfect tense to link events, including past perfect progressive



		earning caring	believing Achieving		
	 comparable adjectives commas to separate items in a list verbs chosen for effect 	cohesion created, and repetition avoided through the use of nouns and pronouns	 develop characters through dialogue and action standard forms of verb inflections used instead of local spoken forms apostrophes for plural possession past progressive and present perfect 	 modal verbs to suggest degrees of possibility adverbs of possibility 	 action, dialogue and description used to move events forward subjunctive form to hypothesise colons, semi-colons and dashes used to separate and link ideas
Purpo	ose of reports: To provide detailed information abou	it the way things are	General text structure: In the	ne absence of a temporal	(chronological) structure
or we	ere and to help readers/listeners understand what is	being described by	where events happen in a particular order, non-chronological reports usually		
orgar	nising or categorising information.		have a logical structure. They tend to group information, often moving from		
Common forms of report texts:			general to more specific detail and examples or elaborations. A common		
Descr	ribing aspects of daily life in history (e.g. fashion, trai	structure includes:			
Descr	ribing the characteristics of anything (e.g. particular a	animals or plants; the	an opening statement, often a general classification (sparrows are birds)		
plane	ets in the solar system, different rocks and materials;	mythological	• sometimes followed by	a more detailed or techni	ical classification (their

creatures)

Comparing and describing localities or geographical features Describing the characteristics of religious groups and their lifestyles in re information leaflets tourist guidebooks encyclopaedia entries

magazine articles biographies

- Latin name is...)
- a description of whatever is the subject of the report organised in some way to help the reader make sense of the information. For example:
- its qualities (like most birds, sparrows have feathers.)
- its parts and their functions (the beak is small and strong so that it can ...)
- Its habits/behaviour/ uses (sparrows nest in...)

g to	Writi	• concept of a sentence	Basic non- chronological report • present tense	Sectioned non- chronological report • planned into	Non-chronological report with paragraphs	Biography cohesion through a variety of devices	Detailed information texts
Ŭ :	5 .		opening questions	sections			



 capital letters and end marks word choices labels and captions 	 concluding exclamatory sentence subordinating and coordinating conjunctions to join information and give reasons adverbs 	 headings sub-headings conjunctions to join information and give reasons present perfect tense word choices to match information texts 	 organised into sections with appropriate headings and text type features range of conjunctions and appropriate word choices beginning to explore levels of formality and able to demonstrate this through word and sentence choices appropriate use of pronouns and nouns 	within and across paragraphs • relative clauses with commas and brackets to add information • structured paragraphs linked with adverbials • indicate degrees of possibility using modal verbs and adverbs	 cohesion through a wider variety of devices layout devices including headings, sub-headings, columns, bullets and tables to structure texts semi-colons for items in a list and colons to introduce lists sustained levels of formality demonstrated through sentence and word choices in difference pieces of different levels of formality the identification of different structures typical of informal and formal writing e.g. the use of the subjunctive and the use of question tags hyphens used to avoid ambiguity



Purpose of recounts: To give details of an event that has happened **Common forms of recount texts:**

Retelling events in English lessons and other curriculum areas such as RE Giving accounts of schoolwork, sporting events, science experiments and trips out

Writing historical accounts letters and postcards diaries and journals newspaper reports magazine articles obituaries

Recount of event

- concept of a sentence
- capital letters and end marks
- word choices
- correct past tense form
- written in the first person

Simple recount

- past tense
- progressive forms of verbs
- exclamatory sentences to make personal comments
- subordinating and coordinating conjunctions to join information and give reasons
- use of noun phrases
- adverbs of time to sequence events

Sectioned recount

- planned in sections using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to sequence events
- word choices and developed sentence structures to match recount texts
- Express time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. so, because), adverbs and prepositions
- Inverted commas can be used to punctuate direct

General text structure:

- orientation such as scene-setting or establishing context (It was the school holidays. I went to the park ...)
- an account of the events that took place, often in chronological order (The first person to arrive was ...)
- some additional detail about each event (He was surprised to see me)
- reorientation, e.g. a closing statement that may include elaboration. (I hope I can go to the park again next week. It was fun)

Structure sometimes reorganises the chronology of events using techniques such as flashbacks, moving the focus backwards and forwards in time, but these strategies are more often used in fiction recounts

Developed recount with paragraphs

- developed sequential language organised into paragraphs
- adverbs, adverbials and prepositions to sequence events
- word choices and developed sentence structures to match recount texts
- expanded noun phrases

Journalistic writing Devel • focusing on

- journalistic vocab and sentence structures • cohesion through
- choice of techniques within and across paragraphs
- structural features included in newspaper reports
- shifts in formality as writing extension
- use of the past perfect

Developed journalistic writing

- cohesion through a wider variety of devices
- passive voice
- shifts in formality
- control of vocabulary choices to match the language used in journalistic writing
- use of semi-colons, colons and dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses
- structural features included in newspaper reports

Writing to inform – recounts



			speech, if appropriate		modal verbs can be used to indicate degrees of possibility	past perfect progressive form of verbs
Purpose of instructions / procedural texts: To ensure something is done effectively and/or correctly with a successful outcome for the participant/s Common forms of instructions / procedural texts: How to design and make artefacts			 Generic text structure: Begin by defining the goal or desired outcome e.g. How to make a board game an introductory sentence or paragraph list any material or equipment needed, in order 			
Technical manuals: how to operate computers, phones, devices How to carry out science experiments or to carry out a mathematical procedure How to play a game Writing rules for behaviour How to cook and prepare food timetables and route-finders posters, notices and signs			 the order in which the goal diagrams or illustration some text (Diagram B s a final evaluative stater 	estructions. If a process is to steps need to be followed to s are often integral and ma hows you how to connect to ment can be used to wrap to our new game. Your beautif	ay even take the place of the wires.) up the process. E.g. Now	
Writing to inform – instructions	Simple instructions concept of a sentence basic sequencing of sentences capital letters and end marks word choices correct past tense form labels and captions	Developed instructions developed sequencing with subordinating and coordinating conjunctions to join information and give reasons adverbs of time to sequence and to add detail commas to separate items in a list	• part instructions • commas to separate items in a list sequenced parts – title; opening paragraph to introduce instructions; equipment list; method; closing paragraph with 'top tip' • headings and subheadings to aic	sequenced parts cohesion through the use of nouns and pronouns fronted adverbials	Complex 5 part instructions 5 clearly sequenced parts parenthesis can be used to add additional advice relative clauses to add further information modal verbs to suggest degrees of possibility layout devices to	



		presentation • time, place and cause expressed using conjunctions adverbs or prepositions	,	provide additional information and guide the reader	
Purpose of explanation texts: To explain how or why, e.g. to explain the processes involved in natural/social phenomena or to explain a process, such as how a car is made. Common forms of explanatory text: Explaining electricity, forces, food chains etc. in science Explaining inventions such as the steam train, the causes of historic events such as wars and revolutions, explaining the role of the Nile in determining the seasons in Ancient Egypt Explaining phenomena such as the water cycle or how a volcano erupts in geography Explaining religious traditions and practices in RE encyclopaedia entries technical manuals question and answer articles and leaflets science write-ups		the nights get longer hedgehog looks for a sa specific features that in into numbered points, t pictures with captions	some animals hibernate. process are explained logi because the temperature	cally, in order. E.g. When begins to drop so the nt tense, text arranged ns with labels and	
Writing to	Basic explanation consistent use of present tense questions used to form titles question marks used to denote questions	 Sectioned explanation Introduction to paragraphs as a way to group related material consistent use of present tense 	paragraphs	Developed explanation text indicate degrees of possibility using adverbs and modal verbs layout devices to	Scientific writing/report cohesion through a wider variety of devices passive voice

and pronouns

provide additional

(Y1)



Book	ing book reviews for other colors blurbs ying for a job or a position		Sectioned persuasive text • introduction to paragraphs as a		Persuasive text with paragraphs • potentially an • cohesion through	Developed persuasive text • evaluating the contrast between	Advanced persuasive text • adapting degrees of formality and
and Com Publ Writ Writ Crea subs Crea	Purpose of persuasive texts: To argue a case from a particular point of view and to encourage the reader/listener towards the same way of seeing things. Common forms of explanatory text: Publicity materials such as tourist brochures Writing editorials to newspapers about controversial issues Writing letters about topics such as traffic on the high street or deforestations Creating posters and leaflets about issues such as bullying, stranger danger or substance abuse Creating posters, articles and leaflets promoting healthy living based on science work about teeth and nutrition			Ge	presented: Greentrees I good idea strategically organised in desired viewpoint: Vote been a school councillor a closing statement repervious councillors.	thesis) that sums up the violated is the best in the wor nformation presents and the for me because I am very three times and I have eats and reinforces the original triangle is quite clear that Having that that we are the best	rld. School uniform is a hen elaborates on the experienced. I have ginal thesis: All the
		conjunctions e.g. sobecause to explain	 express time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. so, because), adverbs and prepositions heading and subheadings used taid presentation 			 information and guide the reader cohesion within paragraphs using adverbials relative clauses used to add further information parenthesis to add to the clarification of technical words 	 appropriate levels of formality demonstrated features of explanation texts where appropriate advanced sequential and causal language

way to group

related material

rhetorical questions

informality, inc.

vocabulary choices,

formal and informal

persuasive texts

choice of pronouns

or nouns within



effective use of noun phrases	express time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. so, because), adverbs and prepositions use of present perfect form of verbs	e and across sentences, avoiding repetition • expanded noun phrases • persuasive writing features (e.g. DAFOREST) • modal verbs to indicate degrees of possibility	cohesion through choice of techniques expanded noun phrases persuasive writing features (e.g. DAFOREST) modal verbs and adverbs to position the argument structured paragraphs linked with adverbials commas to avoid ambiguity	to suit the form of the text passive voice subjunctive form to hypothesise cohesion across paragraphs using a wider range of cohesive devices including conjunctive adverbs persuasive writing features (e.g. DAFOREST) hyphens to avoid ambiguity		
Purpose of discussion texts: To present a reasoned		General text structure: The most common structure includes:				
an issue or controversial topic. Usually aims to provi		a statement of the issues involved and a preview of the main arguments				
views on an issue, each with elaborations, evidence	and/ or examples.	arguments for, with supporting evidence/examples				
Common forms of discussions texts:		arguments against or alternative views, with supporting widense (overlands)				
Non-fiction book on an 'issues' Write-up a debate		evidence/examples Another common structure presents the arguments 'for' and 'against'				
Leaflet or article giving balanced account of an issue				9		
Writing letters about pollution, factory farming or si			alternatively. Discussion texts usually end with a summary and a statement of recommendation or conclusion. The summary may develop one particular			
Writing essays giving opinions about literature, mus	•	viewpoint using reasoned ju		•		
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		Basic discussion text	Advanced	Complex discussion		
		 consistent use of 	discussion text	text		
. Wra		present tense –	 cohesion within 	 cohesion through a 		
Writing		recap from Y2	paragraphs using	wider variety of		
OQ .		 present perfect 	adverbials	devices		



				form of verbs – recap from Y3 effective use of noun phrases paragraphs to organise ideas adverbials e.g. therefore, however heading and subheadings used to aid presentation – recap from Y3	 layout devices to provide additional information and guide the reader modal verbs to indicate degrees of possibility 	adverbials for cohesion modal verbs and adverbs to position the arguments advanced language chosen to represent both arguments appropriate levels of formality applied well-structured arguments language involved with evaluation and viewpoints included use of semi-colons and colons to control sentence structure passive voice subjunctive form to hypothesise
	Acrostics	Diamantes	Clerihews	Kennings	Senryus	Ottava Rima
	The first of last	The poem is	A clerihew is four	A kenning is a two	The structure is	An Italian style of
	letter in each line	presented in the	lines in length, and includes	word phrase which describes	identical to that of	poetry
_	spell out a word. Most commonly,	shape of a diamond	rhyming couplets	an object	a haiku (see Y2)Each line starts	It is eight lines in length; each line
Poetry	it is the first letter	The line structure	(AABB)	Kenning poems	with a capital	consists of eleven
try	that spells out the	is as follows:	The subject of the	are type of riddle	letter	syllables
	word	Line 1: Beginning	poem is typically a	Each line consists	Each line ends	The rhyme
		subject	character who is	of one kenning.	with appropriate	scheme is
				There is no set	punctuation	ABABABC



•	The acrostic links
	to a given theme,
	e.g. winter

 Lines usually end with commas

Shape poems / calligrams

- The poem usually describes an object
- The poem is presented in the shape of the object which it is describing
- The layout may either be with the words inside a shape or around the outline of a shape

Riddles

 The poem describes a noun, usually an object,

Line 2: Two adjectives about line 1 Line 3: Three verbs or words ending '-ing' about line 1 Line 4: A short phrase about line 1, a short phrase about line 7 Line 5: Three verbs or words ending '-ing' about line 7 Line 6: Two adjectives about line 7 Line 7: End

subject

Precise verbs and

adjectives are

relevant lines

indicated above

used in the

- named on one of the lines
- The mood of this type of poem is comic

Mr Smith wears a wig,
But for his head it's
rather big,
In windy weather he
was careless,
Now Mr Smith's head
is hairless.

Limericks

- The poem is five lines in length and follows the rhyme scheme AABBA
 The line structure
- is as follows:
 Line 1: 7-10
 syllables
 Line 2: 7-10
 syllables
 Line 3: 5-7
 syllables
 Line 4: 5-7
 syllables

- number of lines in each verse, although 8 lines and 1 verse is expected for this age group
- The kennings should be ordered within the poem with consideration of the impact on the reader
- Ball catcher
 Muddy scrambler
 Fast diver
 Long kicker
 Expert thrower
 Ace defender
 Goal saver
 Game winner

Tetractys

- The poem is five lines in length
- The line structure is as follows:
 Line 1: 1 syllable

- Where senryus differ from haikus is their subject: senryus are about human nature or emotions
- They can be serious or cynical
 First day, new school year,
 Backpack harbours a fossil:
 Last June's cheese sandwich.

The death of a friend Can leave one devastated. Fate is often cruel.

Renga

- Renga poems are written by more than one poet
 Poet A would
- Poet A would write three lines

- Each line opens with a capital letter
- whether lines end with commas or not
- A poem may consist of several verses following the structure above, although one verse is sufficient for this age group
- The last line of the poem may end with a question mark or a full stop

Quickly did the tiger begin his fast run,
Over hilly ground you see him fly and leap,
The passive prey laying grazing in the sun,
Suddenly its life that it wanted to keep,



- but does not name it, e.g. it might describe a tiger as striped and furry
- The last line usually directly addresses the reader and uses a question: What is it? or Who am I?
- The mood of the poem is light hearted

e Each line starts
with a capital
letter; commas
are used between
verbs and
adjectives; no
punctuation at
the end of lines

Bike
Shiny, quiet,
Pedalling, spinning, weaving
Whizzing round corners, zooming
along roads
Racing, roaring, speeding
Fast, loud,
Car

Haikus

- The mood of a haiku is generally serious and is usually about nature
- There is no rhyming structure

The line structure

is as follows: Line 1: 5 syllables Line 2: 7 syllables Line 3: 5 syllables

- Line 5: 7-10 syllables
- The first line usually begins with 'There was a...' and ends with the name of a person or place
- The last line should be rather unusual or farfetched
- Each line starts with a capital letter
- Lines often end with a comma
- The mood of this type of poem is comic, and it can even be nonsense

An ambitious young fellow named Matt, Tried to parachute using his hat, Folks below looked so

Folks below looked so small, As he started to fall,

- Line 2: 2 syllables Line 3: 3 syllables Line 4: 4 syllables Line 5: 10 syllables
- There is no set rhyme scheme
- Each line starts
 with a capital
 letter and only
 the last line ends
 with a full stop

Am four
And I go
To big school
where
I learn to read and
write and spell my
name.

Free verse

- Free verse does not follow a set syllable pattern or rhyme scheme It may be written
- It may be written on a range of themes

following the structure below. Poet B would then write the last two lines of the verse following the given structure. This is repeated within a pair or small group until the poem is complete

- The line structure is as follows:
 Line 1: 5 syllables
 Line 2: 7 syllables
 Line 3: 5 syllables
 Line 4: 7 syllables
 Line 5: 7 syllables
- There is no set rhyme schemeThe themes
- The themes within a verse need to be consistent
- Each line starts
 with a capital
 letter and the last
 line of each verse

Tiger pounces,
quickly getting the
job done,
The prey collapsing in
a really big heap,
Tiger sleeps as night
takes over from the
day,
Will we ever see the
hunter become prey?

Lambic Pentameter

- Unlike other taught styles, lambic pentameter refers to the way in which individual lines are constructed
- There are no particular rules about verse length
- It is a sequence of ten alternately unstressed and stressed syllables



	 Each line starts 	Then got bigger and	Refer to the KS2	ends with a full	 Children should
	with a capital	bigger and SPLAT!	key objectives and	stop	be encouraged to
	letter		writing curriculum	The final leaf falls	hear the effect of
	Free verse	Free verse	content for Year 4	The tree branches are	lines being
	 Free verse does 	 Free verse does 		so bare	constructed in
	not follow a set	not follow a set		Autumn has arrived	this style
	syllable pattern or	syllable pattern or		Remember summer's	Two households,
	rhyme scheme	rhyme scheme		warm kiss	both alike in dignity,
	 It may be written 	 It may be written 		So gentle, it will be	In fair Verona, where
	on a range of	on a range of		missed.	we lay our scene,
	themes	themes			From ancient grudge
	 Refer to the KS1 	 Refer to the KS2 		Free verse	break to new mutiny,
	key objectives and	key objectives and		 Free verse does 	Where civil blood
	writing curriculum	writing curriculum		not follow a set	makes civil hands
	content for Year 2	content for Year 3		syllable pattern or	unclean.
				rhyme scheme	From forth the fatal
				It may be written	loins of these two
				on a range of	foes
				themes	A pair of star-cross'd
				 Refer to the KS2 	lovers take their life.
				key objectives and	
				writing curriculum	Free verse
				content for Year 5	Free verse does
					not follow a set
					syllable pattern or
					rhyme scheme
					It may be written
					•
					themes
					on a range of



						Refer to the KS2 key objectives and writing curriculum content for Year 6
Expectations for each year group	6 x writing to entertain 6 x writing to inform: 2 x report, 2 x recount and 2 x instructions 3 x poetry	 6 x writing to entertain 4 x writing to inform: report, recount, instructions and explanation 2 x writing to persuade: letter and one other 3 x poetry 	 6 x writing to entertain 4 x writing to inform: report, recount, instructions and explanation 2 x writing to persuade: letter and one other 3 x poetry 	 6 x writing to entertain 4 x writing to inform: report, recount, instructions and explanation 1 x writing to persuade 1 x writing to discuss 3 x poetry 	 6 x writing to entertain 4 x writing to inform: report, recount, instructions and explanation 1 x writing to persuade 1 x writing to discuss 3 x poetry 	 6 x writing to entertain 4 x writing to inform: report, recount (1 x letter or diary and 1 x newspaper report) and explanation 1 x writing to persuade 1 x writing to discuss 3 x poetry