### YEAR 2 WRITING

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# Writing in year 2

Writing is usually taught over a 2-week block In a typical unit we:

- Introduce the unit through a hook/stimulus to ensure the children are engaged in what we are writing
- The first week, we immerse the children in the genre by carrying out the following activities:
  - Role on the wall
  - Drama
  - Hot seating
  - Music/videos etc.
  - Boxing up
  - Looking at the features of what we are writing
  - Character descriptions
- In the second week we write at length using the 'shared write' method over 5 different days.

### A typical lesson

- Starter activity based on grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS)
- Introduction to lesson and aims
- Modelled write from class teacher with input from pupils
- Children independently write their own piece of work or continue an extended piece of work.
- Children are expected to write at length. Roughly half a page per lesson.

	Grammar and Punctuation	Composition	Transcription
11	<ul> <li>Some of my sentences start with a capital letter and end with a full stop.</li> <li>I can use a capital letter for the pronoun 'I'.</li> <li>I understand where to use a question mark and an exclamation mark.</li> <li>I can write compound sentences using 'and' and 'because' to link my ideas.</li> </ul>	I can orally rehearse a sequence of sentences to ensure they make sense  I use suitable words in my writing and can make choices from a word bank.  My stories usually have a beginning, middle and an end  Instructions are written in the correct order.  I can add labels to information.	<ul> <li>My teacher can always read my writing</li> <li>I can recognise and use different ways of spelling sounds.</li> <li>Most of my words are phonetically plausible.</li> <li>All of my letters are correctly formed and written the correct way around.</li> <li>I always put a finger space between my words.</li> </ul>
12 - 13	<ul> <li>I can start sentences with a capital letter and/or end them with a full stop.</li> <li>I can use question marks and exclamation marks.</li> <li>I can usually use a capital letter for proper nouns.</li> <li>I can recognise different word classes (noun, verb, adjective, adverb).</li> <li>I can write simple expanded noun phrases</li> <li>Most of my writing is written in the correct tense</li> <li>I can use conjunctions to show time, for example then, after, before, meanwhile.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can choose suitable words linked to the subject I am writing about and apply these within my independent writing.</li> <li>My work is starting to show the key features of my chosen writing type.</li> <li>I can write chronological and non-chronological texts using a model for support.</li> <li>I can plan and discuss the content of my writing and record my ideas</li> <li>I am beginning to organise related ideas in paragraphs or sections</li> <li>I can write narratives about personal experiences and those of others both real and fictional</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can recognise and use different ways of spelling sounds, spelling most correctly.</li> <li>I can spell some Year 2 common exception words correctly.</li> <li>I write with accurate finger spaces between my words.</li> </ul>
14 - 15	<ul> <li>I can start most of my sentences with a capital letter and end with a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark.</li> <li>I can use commas in lists.</li> <li>I can use co-ordination (e.g. or/and/but) and some subordination (e.g. when/if/that/because) to join clauses</li> <li>I can use the present and past tense mostly correctly and consistently</li> <li>I am beginning to use apostrophes for contractions.</li> <li>I can use and identify the four different sentence types (exclamation, command, statement and question).</li> </ul>	I can independently use a range of appropriate and interesting words to engage the reader  I can make my writing more interesting by adding detail (expanding sentences using adjectives, verbs and adverbs).  I can use varied openings to make my sentences interesting  I can use some of the key features of the text I am writing.  I can proof read and check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation  I can edit and improve my work.	<ul> <li>I can use different strategies including known words, word structures and patterns to help me spell more accurately.</li> <li>I can add suffixes to spell most words correctly (e.gful, -less, -ly, -ed)</li> <li>HF words and common exception words are mostly accurate.</li> <li>Clear ascenders and descenders are used</li> <li>I am beginning to use diagonal strokes to join letters</li> <li>I can write clearly using upper and lower case letters in the correct places and with</li> </ul>

## Year 2 Writingexpectations

• These are the requirements that are expected of your child by the end of the school year



Spelling words are sent home every Friday to be learnt by the following Friday for a spelling test.

This helps your child to meet end of year expectations of being able to spell most words.

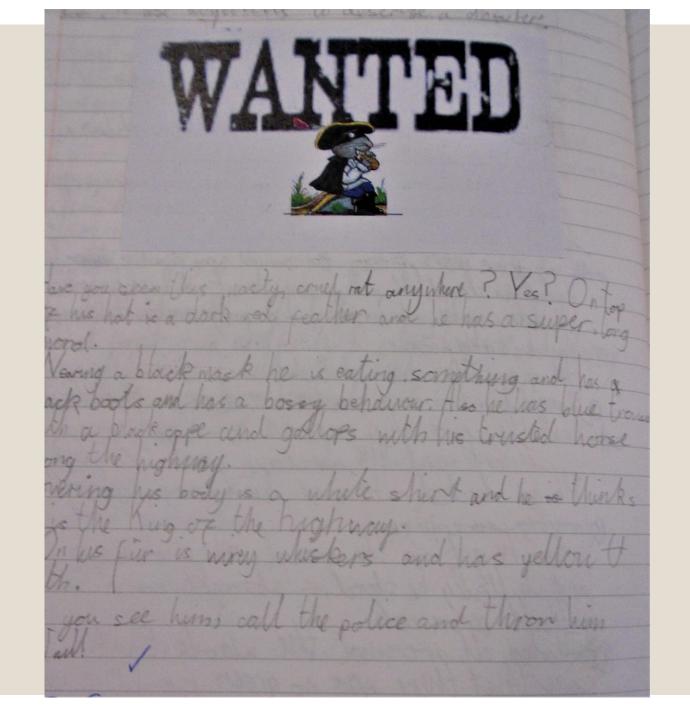
## Handwriting in Year 2

Forming letters accurately

Joining by the end of the year when ready.

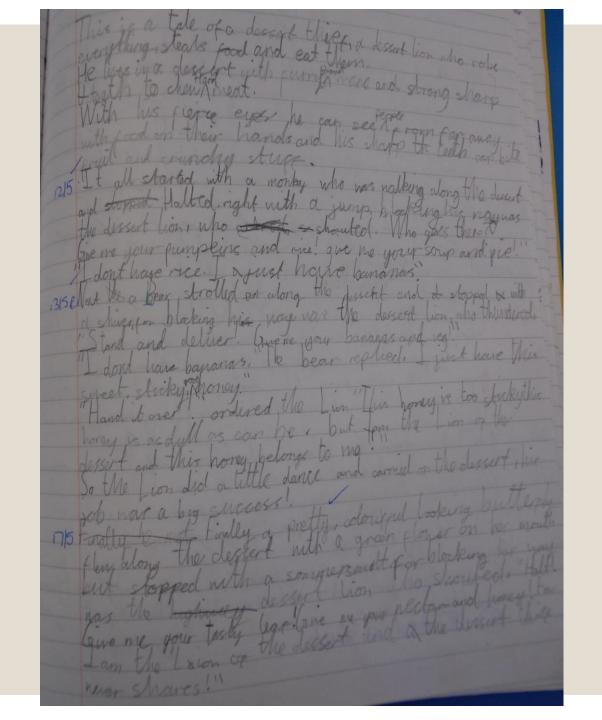
#### Handwriting in Year 2

Forming letters
accurately and writing
on the line.
Using 'wow' words and
sentence openers. Full
stops and capital
letters.



#### Writing in Year 2

Using speech and inverted commas.
Using exclamation and question marks.
Making corrections when needed and editing their work.



# How can you help at home?

- Log on to Purple Mash at home for homework
- Listen to your child read as many times as possible at home and ask basic questions about the text and the vocabulary that is used
- Practise writing and handwriting, even just a few sentences about the book they are reading or what they have done during the day.
- Read and spell the high frequency words.
- Writing stories based on their own experiences.

# How can you help at home?

- <u>Kids' Activities: fun learning games for ages</u>
   3–11 Oxford Owl
- <u>Topmarks: teaching resources, interactive</u> <u>resources, worksheets, homework, exam and</u> <u>revision help</u>
- Oak National Academy (thenational.academy)
- Year 2 English BBC Bitesize

# Reading for writing in year 2

- Reading with your child is one of the best ways to support your child in every way.
- Builds vocabulary.
- Develops sentence structure.
- Develops confidence.

Who are the main characters?

What do you think will happen next?

Where is the story set?

How did .....happen?

When did ..... happen?

Why did ..... do that?

<u>Describe</u> how the character feels.

How did the character change in the story?

Explain how you know the character was naughty.

### Key terms

- Verb- doing word jumping, walking, saying,
- Noun- name of something dog, tree, school, Mrs Howard
- Adjective- describes the noun green, spotty, small, calm, quiet
- Adverb describes the verb quickly, viciously, madly
- Conjunction- joins two sentences together and, but, so , because
- Expanded noun phrase- two adjectives with a comma small, green big, spotty
- Sentence opener- first phrase in a sentence- quickly walking to the car, carrying a large bag,

### Any Questions?

