

Year 6 End of Year Writing Expectations

Working Towards the Expected Standard (WT):

Pupil(s) are beginning to meet the following aims with support:

- To write for a range of purposes
- To use paragraphs to organise ideas
- > To describe settings and characters in narratives
- ➤ To use simple devices to structure the writing and support the reader (e.g. headings, sub-headings, bullet points) in non-narrative writing
- > To use mostly correctly:
- Capital letters
- Full stops
- Question marks
- Commas for lists
- ❖ Apostrophes for contraction (e.g. isn't is not, hasn't has not)
- ➤ To spell most words correctly (years 3 and 4 included below).
- ➤ To spell some words correctly (years 5 and 6 included below).
- > To write legibly.



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Working at the Expected Standard (EXP):

Pupil(s) are confidently and independently able to apply their knowledge:

- ➤ To write effectively for a range of purposes and audiences, selecting language that shows good awareness of the reader (e.g. the use of the first person in a diary; direct address in instructions and persuasive writing).
- To describe settings, characters and atmosphere in narratives.
- > To integrate dialogue in narratives to convey character and advance the action.
- ➤ To select vocabulary and grammatical structures that reflect what the writing requires, doing this mostly appropriately (e.g. using contracted forms in dialogues in narrative; using passive verbs to affect how information is presented; using modal verbs to suggest degrees of possibility).
- ➤ To use a range of devices to build cohesion (e.g. conjunctions, adverbials of time and place, pronouns, synonyms) within and across paragraphs.
- > To use verb tenses consistently and correctly throughout their writing.
- ➤ To use the range of punctuation taught at Key Stage 2 mostly correctly (e.g. inverted commas and other punctuation to indicate direct speech).
- To spell correctly most words from the year 5 / year 6 spelling list (included below).
- ➤ To use a dictionary to check the spelling of uncommon or more ambitious vocabulary.
- To maintain legibility in joined handwriting when writing at speed.



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Working at Greater Depth within the Expected standard (GD):

Pupil(s) are confidently and independently able to apply their knowledge:

- ➤ To write effectively for a range of purposes and audiences, selecting the appropriate form and drawing independently on what they have read as models for their own writing (e.g. literary language, characterisation, structure).
- ➤ To distinguish between the language of speech and writing and choose the appropriate register.
- To exercise an assured and conscious control over levels of formality, particularly through manipulating grammar and vocabulary to achieve this.
- ➤ To use the range of punctuation taught at Key Stage 2 correctly (e.g. semi-colons, dashes, colons, hyphens) and, when necessary, use such punctuation precisely to enhance meaning and avoid ambiguity.

Year 3 and 4 Statutory Spellings

accident	caught	eighth	heard	minute	possible	strange
accidentally	centre	enough	heart	natural	potatoes	strength
actual	century	exercise	height	naughty	pressure	suppose
actually	certain	experience	history	notice	probably	surprise
address	circle	experiment	imagine	occasion	promise	therefore
answer	complete	extreme	increase	occasionally	purpose	though
appear	consider	famous	important	often	quarter	although
arrive	continue	favourite	interest	opposite	question	thought
believe	decide	February	island	ordinary	recent	through
bicycle	describe	forward	knowledge	particular	regular	various
breath	different	forwards	learn	peculiar	reign	weight
breathe	difficult	fruit	length	perhaps	remember	woman
build	disappear	grammar	library	popular	sentence	women
busy	early	group	material	position	separate	
business	earth	guard	medicine	possess	special	
calendar	eight	guide	mention	possession	straight	

Year 5 and 6 Statutory Spellings

accommodate	category	determined	forty	marvellous	programme	soldier
accompany	cemetery	develop	frequently	mischievous	pronunciation	stomach
according	committee	dictionary	government	muscle	queue	sufficient
achieve	communicate	disastrous	guarantee	necessary	recognise	suggest
aggressive	community	embarrass	harass	neighbour	recommend	symbol
amateur	competition	environment	hindrance	nuisance	relevant	system
ancient	conscience	equipment	identity	occupy	restaurant	temperature
apparent	conscious	equipped	immediate	occur	rhyme	thorough
appreciate	controversy	especially	immediately	opportunity	rhythm	twelfth
attached	convenience	exaggerate	individual	parliament	sacrifice	variety
available	correspond	excellent	interfere	persuade	secretary	vegetable
average	criticise	existence	interrupt	physical	shoulder	vehicle
awkward	curiosity	explanation	language	prejudice	signature	yacht
bargain	definite	familiar	leisure	privilege	sincere	
bruise	desperate	foreign	lightning	profession	sincerely	