



Writing Skills Expected by the End of Year 5	
Phonics and Spelling	Letter Formation, Placement and Positioning
<ul> <li>To spell words with endings that sound like / shuhs/ spelt with -cious</li> <li>To spell words with endings that sound like / shuhs/ spelt with -tious or - ious</li> <li>To spell words with 'silent' letters</li> <li>To spell words containing the letter string 'ough'</li> <li>To spell many of the Y5 and Y6 statutory spelling words correctly.</li> <li>To convert nouns or adjectives into verbs using the suffix -ate (</li> <li>To convert nouns or adjectives into verbs using the suffix -ise</li> <li>To convert nouns or adjectives into verbs using the suffix -ify</li> <li>To convert nouns or adjectives into verbs using the suffix -en</li> <li>To spell complex homophones and near- homophones, including who's/whose and stationary/stationery.</li> <li>To use the first three or four letters of a word to check spelling, meaning or both of these in a dictionary.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To increase the speed of their handwriting so that problems with forming letters do not get in the way of writing down what they want to say.</li> <li>To be clear about what standard of handwriting is appropriate for a particular task, e.g. quick notes or a final handwritten version.</li> <li>To confidently use diagonal and horizontal joining strokes throughout their independent writing in a legible, fluent and speedy way.</li> </ul>
Planning, Writing and Editing	Awareness of Audience, Purpose and Structure
<ul> <li>To plan their writing by identifying the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own.</li> <li>To consider, when planning narratives, how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed.</li> <li>To proofread work to précis longer passages by removing unnecessary repetition or irrelevant details.</li> <li>To consistently link ideas across paragraphs.</li> <li>To proofread their work to assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and to make necessary corrections and improvements.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To consistently produce sustained and accurate writing from different narrative and non-fiction genres with appropriate structure, organisation and layout devices for a range of audiences and purposes.</li> <li>To describe settings, characters and atmosphere with carefully- chosen vocabulary to enhance mood, clarify meaning and create pace.</li> <li>To regularly use dialogue to convey a character and to advance the action.</li> <li>To perform their own compositions confidently using appropriate intonation, volume and movement so that meaning is clear.</li> </ul>





Sentence Construction and Tense	Use of Phrases and Clauses
<ul> <li>To use a range of adverbs and modal verbs to indicate degrees of possibility, e.g. surely, perhaps, should, might, etc.</li> <li>To ensure the consistent and correct use of tense throughout all pieces of writing.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To use a wide range of linking words/phrases between sentences and paragraphs to build cohesion, including time adverbials (e.g. later), place adverbials (e.g. nearby) and number (e.g. secondly).</li> <li>To use relative clauses beginning with a relative pronoun with confidence (who, which, where, when, whose, that and omitted relative pronouns)</li> </ul>
Punctuation	Use of Terminology
<ul> <li>To use commas consistently to clarify meaning or to avoid ambiguity.</li> <li>To use brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To recognise and use the terms modal verb, relative pronoun, relative clause, parenthesis, bracket, dash, cohesion and ambiguity.</li> </ul>