Year 1 Writing expectations



Working Towards the Expected Standard The pupil can, after discussion with the teacher:		
• To use their own simple story ideas or retell a familiar story using short, simplistic sentences.		
• To reread their writing aloud to check that it makes sense.		
To use adjectives that have been modelled.		
• To use simple sentence structures which may often be repetitive		
Has an awareness of	Capital letters for names, places, the days	
	of the week and the personal pronoun I	
	Finger spaces	
	Full stops to end sentences	
• To spell some words containing previously taught phonemes and GPCs accurately		
To spell some Y1 common exception words accurately		
• To write lower case letters in the correct direction starting and finished in the right place.		

Working At the Expected Standard The pupil can, after discussion with the teacher:		
• To write sentences in order to create short narratives and non fiction texts		
To use some features of different text types		
• To reread their writing to check it makes sense and make suggested changes.		
• To use adjectives to describe.		
To use simple sentence structures		
To use the conjunction 'and' to link ideas and sentences		
• Has an awareness of	Capital letters for names, places, days of the week and the personal pronoun I	
	Finger spaces	
	Full stops to end sentences	
	Question marks	
	Exclamation marks	
 To spell most words containing previously taught phonemes and GPCs accurately 		
• To spell most Y1 common exception words and days of the week accurately		
• To use -e and -es to form regular plurals correctly		
To use prefix un		
• To add the suffixes ing ed er est to root words		
 To use lower case and capital letters in the correct direction starting and finishing in the right place. 		
• To write lower case and capital letters in the correct direction starting and finishing in the right place with a good level of consistency		



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Working at Greater Depth The pupil can, after discussion with the teacher:		
• To write sentences in order to create short narratives and non fiction texts that are		
consistent in their features and purpose		
 To use a number of features of different text types and make appropriate topic/subject matter vocabulary choices. 		
• To reread their writing to check that it makes sense and independently make changes.		
• To use adjectives to describe.		
To use simple and compound sentence structures		
• To use the joining word (conjunction) 'and' to link ideas and sentences.		
Are able to regularly use	Capital letters for names, places, the days	
	of the week and the personal pronoun I	
	Finger spaces	
	Full stops to end sentences	
	Question marks	
	Exclamation marks	
• To spell all words containing previously to	• To spell all words containing previously taught phonemes and GPCs accurately	
• To spell all Y1 Common exception words and days of the week accurately (from		
English Appendix 1)		
 To use –s and –es to form regular plurals correctly. 		
• To use the prefix 'un'		
• To add the suffixes —ing, -ed, -er, -est to root words.		
To spell simple compound words.		
• To write lower case and capital letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place with a good level of consistency.		