Year 2 writing expectations



Working Towards the Expected Standard The pupil can, after discussion with the teacher:

- write sentences that are sequenced to form a short narrative (real or fictional)
- demarcate some sentences with capital letters and full stops
- segment spoken words into phonemes and represent these by graphemes, spelling some words correctly and making phonetically-plausible attempts at others.
- spell some common exception words
- form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place
- form lower-case letters in the correct size relative to one another in some of their writing
- use spacing between words.

Working At the Expected Standard The pupil can, after discussion with the teacher:			
•	write simple, coherent narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real or fictional)		
•	write about real events, recording these simply and clearly		
•	demarcate most sentences in their writing with:	capital letters and full stops	
		use question marks correctly when required	
•	use present and past tense mostly correctly and consistently		
•	use coordination to join clauses	and	
	•	but	
		or	
•	use subordination to join clauses	when	
	•	if	
		because	
•	segment spoken words into phonemes and represent these by graphemes, spelling many words correctly and making phonetically-plausible attempts at others.		
•	spell many common exception words		
•	form capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower-case letters		
•	use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters.		

Working at Greater Depth The pupil can, after discussion with the teacher:		
• write effectively and coherently for different purposes, drawing on their reading to inform the vocabulary and grammar of their writing		
 make simple additions, revisions and proof-reading corrections to their own writing 		
use punctuation taught ant key stage 1 mostly	Commas to separate items in a list	
correctly	Apostrophes to mark singular possession in nouns and	
	contractions	
spell most common exception words		
• add suffixes to spell most words correctly in their writing (e.g. —ment, -ness, -ful, -less, -ly)		
 use the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join some letters. 		