	Progression in ENGLISH writing at		
Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
spell further homophones spell words that are often misspelt (Appendix 1) spell MOST Y3/4 words accurately	spell some words with 'silent' letters continue to distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused use knowledge of morphology and etymology in spelling and understand that the spelling of some words needs to be learnt specifically, as listed in Appendix 1 spell at least HALF of the Y5/6 words accurately	spell some words with 'silent' letters continue to distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused use knowledge of morphology and etymology in spelling and understand that the spelling of some words needs to be learnt specifically, as listed in Appendix 1 spell MOST of the Y5/6 words accurately	Phonic & whole word spelling (refer to the spelling section of the NC Appendix 1)
use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them place the possessive apostrophe accurately in words with regular plurals and in words with irregular plurals use the first 2 or 3 letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary	use further prefixes and suffixes and understand the guidance for adding them use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words use the first 3 or 4 letters of a word to check spelling, meaning or both of these in a dictionary	use further prefixes and suffixes and understand the guidance for adding them use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words use the first 3 or 4 letters of a word to check spelling, meaning or both of these in a dictionary	Other word building spelling
write from memory simple sentences, dictated by the teacher, that include words and punctuation taught so far.			Transcription
use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting	choose which shape of a letter to use when given choices and decide whether or not to join specific letters choose the writing implement that is best suited for a task	choose which shape of a letter to use when given choices and decide whether or not to join specific letters choose the writing implement that is best suited for a task	Handwriting
discuss writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar	identify the audience for and purpose of the writing, select the appropriate form and use other similar writing as models for their own in writing narratives, consider how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed	identify the audience for and purpose of the writing, select the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own in writing narratives, consider how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed	Contexts for writing
discuss and record ideas compose and rehearse sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures	note and develop initial ideas, drawing on reading and research where necessary	note and develop initial ideas, drawing on reading and research where necessary	Planning writing
organise paragraphs around a theme in narratives, create settings, characters and plot in non-narrative material, use simple organisational devices	select appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understa meaning in narratives, describe settings, characters and atmost advance the action précis longer passages use a wide range of devices to build cohesion within a use further organisational and presentational devices	Drafting writing	
assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggest improvements propose changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency, including the accurate use of pronouns in sentences proofread for spelling and punctuation errors	assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writi propose changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctua ensure the consistent and correct use of tense throug ensure correct subject and verb agreement when usin of speech and writing and choose the appropriate regist proofread for spelling and punctuation errors	Editing writing	
 read their own writing aloud, to a group or the whole class, using appropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear. 	perform their own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume, and movement so that meaning is clear.	perform their own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume, and movement so that meaning is clear.	Performing writing
extend the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although choose nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition	use a thesaurus use expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely use modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility	use a thesaurus use expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely use modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility	Vocabulary
use fronted adverbials difference between plural and possesive -s Standard English verb inflections (I did vs I done) expanded noun phrases, including with prepositions appropriate choice of pronoun or noun to create cohesion	use the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with an implied (ie omitted) relative pronoun convert nouns or adjectives into verbs verb prefixes devices to build cohesion, including adverbials of time, place and number	recognise vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing, including subjunctive forms use passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentence use the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause differences in informal and formal language synonyms & antonyms further cohesive devices such as grammatical connections and adverbials use of ellipsis	Grammar (refer to the Gramma section of the NC Appendix 2)
use commas after fronted adverbials indicate contraction and possession by using the possessive apostrophe with singular and plural nouns use and punctuate direct speech (include punctuation within and surrounding " ")	use commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing use brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis	use hyphens to avoid ambiguity use semicolons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses use a colon to introduce a list punctuating bullet points consistently	Punctuation (refer to the Gramma section of the NC Appendix 2)
determiner, pronoun, possessive pronoun, adverbial	modal verb, relative pronoun, relative clause, parenthesis, bracket, dash, cohesion, ambiguity	subject, object, active, passive, synonym, antonym, ellipsis, hyphen, colon, semi-colon, bullet points	Grammatical terminology