

Year 3 English Writing Overview

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	
Fox	Iron Man	Jemmy Button	The Rhythm of the Rain	Into the Forest	Egyptology	
Narrative: Fable	Narrative: Approach	Narrative: Return	Narrative: Setting	Narrative: Lost	Narrative: Egyptian	
Purpose: To narrate	Threat	Purpose: To narrate	Purpose: To narrate	Narrative	Mystery	
	Purpose: To narrate			Purpose: To narrate	Purpose: To narrate	
Information: Foxes	Explanation: How to	Information: Letters	Recount: River	Recount: Newspaper	Instructions: Secret	
Durpasa Ta inform	capture	Durpasa, Ta rasaunt	Information Leaflet	Report	Diary	
Purpose: To inform	the Iron Man Purpose:	Purpose: To recount	Leanet	Purpose: To recount	Purpose: To recount	
	To explain		Purpose: To inform			
Grammar: Word						
Build on previous units	Build on previous year	Build on previous units	Build on previous	Formation of nouns	Formation of nouns	
& focus on: Formation	& focus on: Formation	& focus on: Use of the	units & focus on: Use	using a range of	using a range of	
of nouns using a range	of nouns using a range	forms a or an when	of the forms a or an	prefixes e.g. auto-	prefixes e.g. auto-	
of prefixes e.g. auto-	of prefixes e.g. auto-	next word starts with a	when next word starts	super- anti- (mis- , in-, dis-, un-)	super- anti- (un-)	
super- anti-	super- anti-	consonant or a vowel		, iii , dis , dii <i>j</i>		

(un- and re-)		Word families based on common words showing how words are related in form and meaning	with a consonant or a vowel	Use of the forms a or an when next word starts with a consonant or a vowel Word families based on common words showing how words are related in form and meaning	consonant or a vowel	
No Nonsense Spelling						
Common exception words from Year 2 Prefixes and suffixes Revise prefix 'un'. New prefixes: 'pre-', 'dis-', 'mis-', 're-'. Revise suffixes from Year 2: '-s', '-es', '-ed','- ing', '-er' Rare GPCs The /eI/ sound spelt 'ei', 'eigh', or 'ey' The /I/ sound spelt 'y' Words ending with the /g/ sound spelt 'gue' and the /k/ sound spelt '-que' (French in origin) Homophones brake/break, grate/great, eight/ate, weight/wait, son/sun Apostrophe Revise contractions from Year 2		Strategies at the point of writing. Suffixes from Year 2 ('-ness' and '-ful', with a consonant before) Prefixes and suffixes Prefixes: 'sub-', 'tele-', 'super-', 'auto-' Suffixes 'less' and 'ly' Rare GPCs The /ʃ/ sound spelt 'ch' (mostly French in origin) The /k/ sound spelt 'ch' (Greek in origin) Homophones here/hear, knot/not, meat/meet Apostrophe Revise contractions from Year 2		Strategies for spelling at the point of writing Vowel digraphs from Years 1 and 2 Prefixes and suffixes Suffix '-ly' with root words ending in 'le' and 'ic' Previously taught suffixes Rare GPCs The /I/ sound spelt 'y' other than at the end of words (gym, myth) The /A/ sound spelt 'ou' (young, touch) Homophones heel/heal/he'll, plain/plane, groan/grown, rain/ rein/reign Apostrophe Revise contractions from Year 2		
Grammar: Sentence						
Build on previous year & focus on: Expressing time, place and cause using conjunctions e.g. (when, before, after,	Build on previous units & focus on: Expressing time, place and cause using conjunctions e.g. (when, before, after,	Build on previous units & focus on: Expressing time, place and cause using prepositions e.g.	Build on previous units & focus on: Expressing time, place and cause using prepositions e.g. (before, after, during,	Build on previous units & focus on: Expressing time, place and cause using adverbs e.g. (then, next, soon, therefore)	Build on previous units & focus on: Expressing time, place and cause using adverbs e.g. (then, next, soon, therefore)	

while, so, because, if, although) Expressing time, place and cause using prepositions e.g. (before, after, during, in, because of)	while, so, because, if, although)	(before, after, during, in, because of Gramm	in, because of Expressing time, place and cause using conjunctions e.g. (when, before, after, while, so, because, if, although) Expressing time, place and cause using adverbs e.g. (then, next, soon, therefore)	Expressing time, place and cause using prepositions e.g. (before, after, during, in, because of		
Build on previous year & focus on: Present perfect form of verbs Introduction to paragraphs as a way to group related material	Build on previous units & focus on: Present perfect form of verbs	Build on previous units & focus on: Introduction to paragraphs as a way to group related material	Build on previous units & focus on: Introduction to paragraphs as a way to group related material	Build on previous units & focus on: Present perfect form of verbs Introduction to paragraphs as a way to group related material Headings and sub- headings to aid presentation	Build on previous units & focus on: Introduction to paragraphs as a way to group related material Headings and sub- headings to aid presentation	
Grammar: Punctuation						
Build on previous year & focus on: Reinforce from Year 2: Use of capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation	Build on previous year & focus on: Use of capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate	Build on previous year & focus on: Inverted commas to punctuate direct speech	Build on previous year & focus on: Apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and	Build on previous year & focus on: Inverted commas to punctuate direct speech	Build on previous year & focus on: Inverted commas to punctuate direct speech	

marks to demarcate sentences Commas to separate items in a list Apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and to mark singular possession in nouns	sentences Apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and to mark singular possession in nouns		to mark singular possession in nouns		
Terminology for Pupils: Preposition, conjunction, word family, prefix, clause, subordinate clause, direct speech, consonant, consonant letter vowel, vowel letter, inverted commas					