## HISTORY CURRICULUM PROGRESSION OF SKILLS



	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Chronological Understanding	Use appropriate terminology relating to the passing of time	Recognise that dates are used to identify events in the past	Use dates and terms related to the period of history being studied	Use dates and terms related to the period of history being studied	Order significant events, movements and dates on a timeline	Place current study on a timeline in relation to other studies
	Describe things that have happened to myself or other people in the past.	Describe memories of key events in either their own or other people's lives.	Place the period of time studied on a timeline	Place significant events and dates on a timeline	Use relevant terms and labels for periods of time	Use dates and specialist terms appropriately
	Sequence 3 or 4 artefacts from distinctly different periods.	Sequence events, photos and objects in time closer together	Understand that a timeline can be divided into BC and AD	Understand more complex terms related to time e.g. Pre- Post-	Make comparisons between different times in the past	Sequence up to 10 events on a timeline
	Match objects to people of different ages	Organise photographs from different periods of time	Sequence several events or artefacts from a period of time studied			
Knowledge and Understanding of	Recognise differences between the past and the present and identify changes within different time periods  Recall episodes about events and	Identify differences between ways of life at different times	Find out about everyday lives of people in the studied period of time	Use evidence to reconstruct life in the period of time studied	Know key characters and events in period of time studied.	Know key characters and events in period of time studied.
Events, People and Changes in the		episodes about events and in the past  Recognise why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result.	Compare the period of time studied with our life today	Describe similarities and differences between people, events and artefacts studied	Determine causes and effects of great events and the impact on people using evidence	Write an explanation of a past event in terms of cause and effect using evidence to support.
Suggest why	people in the past  Suggest why people may have acted in the way they did		Identify reasons for and results of people's actions	Describe how the time studied has affected / influenced life today	Describe similarities and differences between people, events and artefacts	Describe the impact and influence of significant historical figures & events
			Understand why people may have wanted to do something	Offer reasonable explanations for events and actions	Compare an aspect of life across different time periods	Compare beliefs and behaviour of individuals with a different period of time studied

Interpretations of History	Compare stories to encourage children to distinguish between fact and fiction  Obtain ideas about the past from pictures, stories, visitors, family members and experts - discussing their reliability.	Compare two versions of a historical event  Compare pictures or photographs of people or events in the past  Discuss reliability of photos, accounts and stories from the past	Identify and give reasons for the different ways in which the past is represented  Distinguish between different sources of information and discuss their reliability  Explore different representations of the period - museums, cartoons etc.	Understand that aspects of the past have been represented and interpreted in different ways to persuade others  Evaluate the usefulness of different sources of information	Compare accounts of events from different sources (fact or fiction) and offer reasons for these different version of events  Evaluate sources and identify those that are useful to the task.	Give clear reasons why there may be different accounts of history - linking this with factual understanding of the past.  Evaluate evidence to choose the most reliable form  Recognise how and why contrasting arguments and interpretations of history have been arrived at
Understanding Significance	Recognise and make simple observations about who was important in an historical event or period	Understand the term significant and explain why a significant individual is important	Identify and describe historically significant people and events in situations	Construct a detailed profile of a significant individual using a range of historical sources  Show an awareness of how people's lives have shaped this nation	Explore and explain how the religious, political, scientific or religious beliefs of a significant individual caused them to behave in such a way.  Know how Britain has influenced and has been influenced by the wider world.	Examine the decisions made by significant historical individuals - considering their options and beliefs - and make a summative judgement about their choices  Debate the significance of a historical person, event, discovery or invention in British history.
Historical Enquiry	Find answers to simple questions about the past through investigating different sources of information - such as artefacts and photos	Use various sources - either through observing or handling - to answer questions about the past based on simple observations	Use a variety of sources to find out about the period of time being studied  Observe small details on artefacts and pictures encountered  Select and record information relevant to the study  Begin to use the library and internet for research	Use evidence to build up a picture of a past event  Choose relevant material to present a picture of an aspect of life in the period of time studied  Ask a variety of questions about the period of time being studied  Use the library and internet for research	Begin to recognize primary and secondary sources  Use evidence to build up a picture of a past event  Choose reliable sources of evidence to answer posed questions, realizing that there is often not a single answer to historical questions.  Research a topic from the past with increasing confidence, including the use of the library and e-learning.	Recognise primary and secondary sources  Bring knowledge gathered from several sources to create a fluent account of a past event  Investigate my own line of enquiry by identifying the appropriate means of finding information out and presenting a fluent account of this knowledge gathering.
Organise and Communicate Ideas	Give simple phrases to describe objects, people or events in history  Write simple sentences about a period of time or significant individual  Communicate knowledge through either discussion, drawing picture, role play or use of ICT	Give simple phrases to describe objects, people or events in history  Write simple sentences about a period of time or significant individual  Communicate knowledge through either discussion, drawing picture, role play or use of ICT	Recall, select and organize historical information  Communicate knowledge about the past through using different genres of writing, through drawing, data-handling, drama, role-play and the use of ICT	Recall, select and organize historical information  Communicate knowledge about the past through using different genres of writing, through drawing, data-handling, drama, role-play and the use of ICT	Select and organize information to produce structured work, making appropriate use of dates and terms.  Plan and present a self-directed project or research about the studied period  Use a variety of ways to communicate knowledge and understanding, including extended writing.	Select and organize information to produce structured work, making appropriate use of dates and terms.  Plan and present a self-directed project or research about the studied period  Use a variety of ways to communicate knowledge and understanding, including extended writing.