

History Knowledge and Skills Progression Document

Key Area	EYFS	Year 1 and 2	Year 3 and 4	Year 5 and 6
Chronological understanding	Understand that they have changed since being a baby.	Sequence events or objects in their life on a simple timeline.	Use a timeline to place periods studied in order.	Know that chronological positions of periods studied sometimes overlap or occur concurrently.
	Know that familiar events occur in a particular order. Know that there are some similarities and differences between things in the past and now.	Know that a specific time has key characteristics and understand what it would have been like to live then. Sequence events and objects in chronological order and give reasons for their order. Understand that periods in time have similarities and differences to the present time and make connections with the past.	Describe similarities and differences between time periods by comparing and contrasting. Place significant events and developments of a period on a timeline. Know that change can be shown by the similarities and differences between specific periods in time.	Compare and contrast the characteristics of periods in history, leading to an understanding of how the wider world has changed over time. Know that the chronology of significant events in history subsequently shaped different societies Know that there are patterns that follow
		Use words and phrases linked to the passing of time.	Can observe trends and describe how things have changed over time.	throughout History. Make a timeline of events and developments. Note connections between different periods of history.
Knowledge and understanding	Know that people around them have different roles in society and talk about their lives.	Know that there are differences between the past and the present in their own and others' lives. Know that there are some significant local and national events and individuals beyond living memory. (Neil Armstrong, Helen	Make comparisons with now with a period in the past. Compare different periods in time and understand why people acted the way they did.	Understand that their point of view may change as they learn new information. Know that significant events in World War II happened in the local area. Know how and why the Greeks influenced the Western world.

		Sharman, Katherine Johnson? Great Fire of	Understand the changes in Britain from the	
		London)	Stone Age to the Iron Age.	Know that the Victorians made major changes in Britain. (local area).
		Know about changes that have happened	Know that the Ancient Egyptians were one	
		within living memory.	of the earliest civilisations and what their	Compare and contrast the non European
			achievements were.	Mayan society to British History.
		Know about significant historical events,		
		people and places in their own locality.	Know that the Anglo Saxons and Scots	Speculate and hypothesise about the past
			settled in Britain.	and formulate their own theories about
		Know that they can use evidence to recognise		reasons for change.
		why people did things, why events happened	Know that the Vikings and Anglo Saxons	
		and what happened as a result.	fought over the Kingdom of England until	Can develop a chronologically secure
			1066.	knowledge and understanding of British, local and world history, establishing clear
			Know that the Roman empire had a	narratives within and across these time
			significant impact on Britain and discuss the	periods.
			impact that we still see today.	
			Can develop a chronologically secure	
			knowledge and understanding of British,	
			local and world history, establishing clear	
			narratives within and across these time	
			periods.	
			Can undertake a contrasting case study of	
			two groups of people.	
Historical	Learn about the past	Know that artefacts/sources can be matched	Evaluate which sources are more helpful	Question the reliability of different sources
enquiry	and the present through their own	to people of different ages.	than others when learning about the past.	and evidence.
	experiences and	Use a range of sources to ask and answer	Know that there is a difference between	Know that there is often not a single answer
	through storytelling.	questions about the past.	fact and opinion.	to historic questions and give reasons why there may be different accounts.
			Know that primary and secondary sources	there may be unreferre accounts.
			are available and vary in reliability.	Know that some sources of evidence are
				more useful than others and evaluate its
			Can ask and answer complex questions	usefulness and accuracy in order to form their
			about the past.	own opinions.
			Consolert information from a wide govern	
			Can select information from a wide range of different sources to find out about the past.	Ask and answer complex questions about the past (e.g. the Greek legacy- democracy etc).

				Select information from different sources to find out about the past. Understand how our knowledge from the past is constructed through a range of sources.
Organise, evaluate and communicate	Talk about the past.	Show knowledge and understanding in different ways: drawing writing, talking and role play.	With support, present findings about the past in a variety of ways (ICT) including dates and subject specific words.	Present findings about the past in a variety of ways (ICT) including dates and subject specific words.
information			Organise relevant historical information to construct informed responses.	Present detailed findings using historical skills and to be aware of the audience.
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Historical Vocabulary	Before, after, a long time ago, before I was born	Compare, explain, old, new, now, then, yesterday, today, tomorrow, history before, after, past, present, timeline, chronology, explain, empathy	BC, AD, fact opinion, cause, consequence, significance, empathy, primary, secondary, source, evidence Stone age. Iron age	Bias and propaganda, analyse, evaluate, empathy, BC, AD, fact opinion, cause, consequence, significance, primary, secondary, source, evidence
			Cave, artefact, Stonehenge, pottery, round house, Skare Brae, Settlement, hunter gatherer	Greeks Ancient civilisation, decade, century, assembly, Athens, city-state, democracy, Homer, Olympics, Sparta
			Egyptians Dynasty, Egyptologist, Giza, hieroglyphics, mummies, pharaohs, Rosetta stone, Tutankhamen, sarcophagus, pyramid Romans	Mayans, Cacao, Chichen Itza Glyph, Haab', Pyramid, Yucatan Peninsula
			Century (army) citizen, Emperor, gladiator, mosaic, toga	Victorians Industrial revolution, workhouse, Queen Victoria, Prince Albert
			Anglo Saxon/Viking, Scots earls, oath, succession, long ship, conquest, invader, plunder, raid, shield wall	