

HISTORY PROGRESSION OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

HISTORICAL KNOWLEDGE: CONSTRUCTING THE PAST

EYFS	YEAR I	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
To talk about the lives	In discussion, to recall	To confidently and	To identify some	To identify a range of	To understand some	To provide overviews of
of people they are	some of the key events	accurately retell the	details from within	details from within	features associated	the most significant
familiar with.	and people associated	story of events, etc.	and across several	and across local,	with themes, societies,	features of different
	with themes studied	associated with themes	themes, societies, events	national and global	people and events, e.g.	themes, individuals,
To talk about the roles	within family, local,	studied within family,	and significant people	history, to demonstrate	use knowledge gained to	societies and events
of people in society.	national and global	local, national and	covered in local,	some overall awareness	demonstrate an	covered, e.g. can use
	history, e.g. within the	global history, e.g. the	national and global	of themes, societies,	understanding of	knowledge gained to
To talk about the past	history of flight or the	Gunpowder Plot and	history, e.g. using	events and people, e.g.	aspects of the life	give an overview of the
using books and stories	development of	the Great Fire of	knowledge gained from	using knowledge gained	within the Viking	main features of the
talking about the	railways.	London.	their study of the	in their study of	period, such as religion	Maya civilisation.
characters, settings			Stone Age, identifying	Ancient Egypt,	and food, but without	
and events.	To demonstrate some	To demonstrate an	three of the main	identifying three or	links and grouping	To begin to make links
	understanding of the	understanding of the	achievements of the	more of the main	them into themes, e.g.	and group them into
Understanding the	characteristic features	characteristic features	people in the Neolithic	achievements of the	social, cultural.	themes, e.g. social,
World — Past and	of the period studied,	of the period studied,	period, and perhaps	Ancient Egyptians and		cultural.
<mark>Present</mark>	e.g., technology	e.g. technology	providing some reasons	providing some valid	To make some	
	available.	available or religion.	for their selection	detailed reasons for	reference to and	To make links with
				their selections.	identify links with	themes in other societies
	<mark>Unit 3 — Great</mark>	<mark>Unit I — Bonfire Night</mark>	Unit I — The Stone	To begin to make some	other societies studied,	studied, e.g. The
	<mark>Inventions</mark>	and the Great Fire of	<mark>Age</mark>	reference to other	e.g. The Anglo-Saxons	Ancient Egyptians
		<mark>London</mark>	Unit 2 — The Bronze	societies, but my		
			Age and the Iron Age	reasoning may be	Unit 2 — The Vikings	<mark>Unit I — The Maya</mark>
				undeveloped.		Civilisation.
				Unit 2 — The Ancient		
				<mark>Egyptians</mark>		



HISTORICAL KNOWLEDGE: SEQUENCING THE PAST

EYFS	YEAR I	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
To be able to sequence	To depict on a timeline	To sequence on an	To sequence a number	To accurately sequence	To sequence, with some	To sequence, with
the history of	the sequence of a few	annotated timeline	of the most significant	the key events, objects,	independence and	independence, many of
themselves, from birth	objects or images	independently and with	events, objects, themes,	themes, societies, periods	increasing accuracy,	the significant events,
to present age.	and/or pieces of	some confidence a	societies, periods and	and people within and	many of the	societies and people
	information related to	number of objects or	people in LKS2 topics	across topics	significant events,	within and across the
To sequence members	a topic, e.g. events	events related to an	studied including some	confidently using key	societies and people	UKS2 topics covered
of their families	related to family life	aspect of a topic	dates, labels and period	dates and terms, e.g.	within and across	using appropriate dates,
according to age.	in the past in correct	studied, e.g. seaside	names and terms, e.g.	they can accurately	topics covered using	period labels and terms,
	order.	holidays in the past in	grouping a range of	construct a timeline of	appropriate dates,	e.g. select independently
Understanding the		the correct order.	images related to the	Roman Britain and	period labels and terms,	from a range of
World — Past and	Unit I – My Family		Bronze to Iron Age into	with some accuracy	e.g. place many of the	material, and sequence
<mark>Present</mark>	<mark>History</mark>	To begin to explain why	the correct time	link this with a	important developments,	accurately using
	<mark>Unit 2 - The Greatest</mark>	they have placed the	periods.	timeline of the Bronze	people and events in the	appropriate labels and
	<mark>Explorers</mark>	items in this sequence.		to Iron Age (or other	Anglo-Saxon period on	dates.
			To provide valid	relevant topics	an annotated timeline.	
	To begin to use a	<mark>Unit 3 - Holidays</mark>	reasons why they have	previously studied).		To accurately identify
	range of common		chosen this time period		To make some links	links between this
	words relating to the	To can use a wider	for most of the	To provide detailed	between this sequence to	sequence and the events
	passage of time, e.g.	range of terms and	images.	valid reasons why they	the events and people	of other periods
	related to a discussion	phrases, e.g. nowadays,		have sequenced the	within other time	studied.
	of their grandparent's	in the past, previously,	Unit I — The Stone	events/objects in this	periods studied.	
	pupil hood, e.g. now,	and depending on the	<mark>Age</mark>	way.		<mark>Unit I – The Maya</mark>
	then, new old, when,	context and	<mark>Unit 2 — The Bronze</mark>		Unit 2 — The Vikings	<u>Civilisation</u>
	before, etc.	opportunities be able to	Age and the Iron Age	Unit 2 — The Ancient		
		use more complex		<mark>Egyptians</mark>		
		terms, e.g. last century,				

To demonstrate a	decade, and those
secure understanding	related to time periods.
of the words used.	
	To can demonstrate
To require little	secure understanding
prompting to use these words.	of the terms used.
Unit I – My Family	To can independently
History History	use the terms
	appropriately.
	Unit I — Bonfire Night and the Great Fire of London
	Unit 3 - Holidays



HISTORY CONCPETS: CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT/SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES

EYFS	YEAR I	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
To give similarities and	To identify	To describe	To make valid	To explain why certain	To independently and	To compare
differences between the	independently a range	independently,	statements about the	changes and	confidently provide a	similarities,
past and now, drawing	of similarities,	confidently and	main similarities,	developments were of	comprehensive list of	differences and
on their own	differences and	accurately similarities,	differences and	particular significance	the changes within the	changes within and
experiences.	changes within a	differences and	changes occurring	within topics and across	period studied.	across topics, e.g. in
	specific time period,	changes both within	within topics, e.g. the	time periods.		terms of importance,
To talk about myself	e.g. between early and	and across time periods	pupil can describe a	·	To independently	progress or the type
and some of the ways I	modern trains or	and topics, e.g. between	range of the key	To provide a	provide valid reasons	and nature of the
have changed and how	aeroplanes.	holidays at different	changes between the	comprehensive list of	why some changes and	change, e.g. provide
I can do different		times in the past and	Old and New Stone	the changes of Crime	developments were of	some similarities and
things.	Unit 3 — The Greatest	today.	Ages.	and Punishment within	particular importance	differences affecting
	<mark>Explorers</mark>			the period studied.	within the particular	differing locations
Understanding the		To begin to	To see links between		UKS2 topic, e.g. decide	within the world wars.
World — Past and		demonstrate an	changes, and begin to	To identify links	why one or more	
<mark>Present</mark>		understanding of	identify types of	between the changes.	changes in the Anglo-	To confidently
		which are the most	change.		Saxon period is of	identify a range of
		important differences		To provide a clear	particular importance.	links between the
		and why.	To demonstrate an	rationale for why one		various changes, e.g.
			awareness of the	change could be	To identify a range of	the change in women's
		To begin to explain why	significance of change	considered to be more	links between the	roles during the war
		they have placed the	and its impact.	important than others.	various changes.	with changes in
		items in this sequence.		To provide insightful		women's rights.
			Unit I — The Stone Age	ideas about whether	To provide insightful	
		Unit 3 — Holidays		some things did not	ideas about whether	To begin to
				change very much	some things did not	understand and
				within a period and	change very much.	explain how some of
				why.		the changes were

		Pi		Unit I — The Anglo- Saxons	exceptional or commonplace, e.g. as part of the impact of the war in the locality. Unit 3 — The Impact of War
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HISTORY CONCEPTS: CAUSE AND EFFECT

EYFS	YEAR I	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
To discuss different	To identify at least	To identify several	To describe some	To independently and	To explain the role of	To independently
figures and their	one relevant cause for,	causes and effects of	relevant causes for,	confidently comment	different causes and	provide a
effect/impact on the	and effect of, several	events covered, e.g. the	and effects of, some	on the importance of	effects of a range of	comprehensive list of
world we live in today	events covered, e.g. of	Great Fire of London	of the key events and	causes and effects for	events and	valid detailed reasons
e.g. Isaac Newton,	the development of	and The Gunpowder	developments covered,	some of the key events	developments, e.g. can	why events took place
Marie Curie	flight or of the	Plot.	e.g. reasons why	and developments	list a range of valid	and the effects of
	railways.		changes took place	within the topics	reasons why the	those events, e.g. how
Understanding the		To begin to understand	during the Neolithic	studied, e.g. the	Vikings left	the World Wars had
World — Past and	<mark>Unit 3 — Great</mark>	that some of the	period.	reasons for the	Scandinavia and chose	an impact on their
<mark>Present</mark>	<mark>Inventions</mark>	causes and/or effects		changes in prison	to settle in Britain.	locality.
		are of particular	To demonstrate an	reform.		
		importance, e.g. for	understanding that		To place the causes	To order these causes
		the Great Fire of	some of the causes	To understand that	and/or effects in an	and/or effects into a
		London taking place.	and/or effects are of	the same event can	order of significance	hierarchy of
			particular importance,	result in both positive	and explain why they	significance and will
		<mark>Unit I — Bonfire Night</mark>	e.g. why the changes	and negative effects,	are arranged in this	comment insightfully
		<mark>and the Great Fire of</mark>	took place in the	e.g. the actions of the	order, e.g. the reasons	on why they have
		<mark>London</mark>	Neolithic period.	suffragettes.	why the Vikings left	selected this order.
					Scandinavia and chose	
			<mark>Unit 1 — The Stone</mark>	Unit 3 — Crime and	to settle in Britain.	To make a number of
			<mark>Age</mark>	<mark>Punishment</mark>	To make a link between	valid links between why
					the causes or effects	certain events occurred
					of events within one	in the period studied
					period with those of	and events taking place
					another, e.g. events in	in other periods or
					the Viking period with	locations, or note how
					those of other periods	

		studied, such as why	effects of events could
		the Romans or the	be similar.
		Anglo-Saxons chose to	
		settle in Britain.	To identify some of
			the causes as long or
		Unit 2 — The Vikings	short-term triggers and
		-	how some effects can
			be immediate and
			others long term.
			Unit 3 — The Impact
			of War



HISTORICAL CONCEPTS: SIGNIFICANCE AND INTERPRETATIONS

EYFS	YEAR I	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
To know that someone	To demonstrate	To give a broad range	To select what is most	To confidently select	To confidently select	To confidently explain
is significant, e.g. Isaac	through examples and	of valid reasons why	significant in a	what is most	what is most	the reasons why
Newton, and their	discussion an	someone or something is	historical account,	significant in a	significant in a	particular aspects of a
findings are	understanding of the	significant.	related to a person's	historical account,	historical account,	historical event,
significant.	term 'significance'.		life, a key event or a	related to a person's	related to a person's	development, society or
		To demonstrate a	theme, e.g. which	life, a key event or a	life, a key event or a	person were of
To begin to make some	To give some valid	secure understanding	buildings are of	theme, e.g. a	theme, e.g the	particular significance,
connections between	reasons why someone or	of the term	particular significance	development made by	developments made by	e.g. they will describe
significant events or	something is	significance.	within their locality.	the Romans.	the Anglo-Saxons.	and then critically
people.	significant, e.g. an					evaluate the
	explorer making an	To give some valid	To give a valid reason	To give a number of	To give a range of	significance of various
<mark>Understanding the</mark>	important discovery.	reasons why one aspect	why they have selected	valid reasons why they	valid reasons why they	achievements made by
World — Past and		of a person's life or	a particular aspect as	have selected a	have selected a	the Ancient Greeks.
<mark>Present</mark>	To begin to make	event is of particular	being most significant	particular aspect as	particular aspect as	
	connections between	importance in making	in a historical account,	being most significant	being most significant	To introduce a
	significant events or	them/it significant.	related to a person's	in a historical account,	in a historical account,	hierarchy of
	people, e.g. the explorers		life, a key event or a	related to a person's	related to a person's	importance and explain
	studied.	To make valid	theme, e.g. the reasons	life, a key event or a	life, a key event or a	while some aspects
		connections and	why particular	theme and why others	theme and why others	continue to be relevant,
	Unit 2 — The Greatest	judgements between	buildings are of	are less important.	are less important.	others may be
	<mark>Explorers</mark>	significant events or	significance within			dismissed as no longer
	<mark>Unit 3 – Great</mark>	people, e.g. why one of	their locality.	To begin to understand	To understand that	being relevant and not
	<mark>Inventions</mark>	our local heroes is		that some things will	some will have long-	having long term
		more worthy of study	<mark>Unit 3 – Our Local</mark>	have long or short-	term significance and	significance, e.g. within
		than another.	<mark>Area</mark>	term significance e.g.	others only short-term	the achievements made
				the developments	significance.	by the Ancient Greeks
				introduced by the		the significant impact

	<mark>Unit 2 – Our Local</mark>	Romans and their	Unit I — The Anglo-	of establishing
	Heroes	relevance today.	Saxons	democracy and its
		J		importance in society
		Unit I — Roman	To confidently identify	today.
		Britain	the ways in which	3
			interpretations of the	To confidently and
			same event or person	independently identify
			can differ, e.g. can	the different
			identify a number of	interpretations in a
			differences in the	range of topics e.g.
			interpretations	explain ways in which
			presented about the	the different
			Windrush journey.	interpretations about
				Athenian society or
			To explain why there	about the Olympic
			may be differing	Games differ.
			interpretations and will	
			make reference to the	To give a range of
			differing types of	valid reasons for the
			representation.	different
				interpretations in a
			To also understand	range of topics, e.g.
			why there may be some	explain why there could
			similarities in the	be different
			interpretations	interpretations about
				Athenian society or
			Unit 2 — The Vikings	about the Olympic
			<mark>Unit 3 - Journeys</mark>	Games.
				To demonstrate insight
				into why some aspects
				of the interpretation
				may be the same.
				<mark>Unit 2 — The Ancient</mark>
				<mark>Greeks</mark>



HISTORICAL ENQUIRY: PLANNING AND CARRYING OUT A HISTORICAL ENQUIRY

EYFS	YEAR I	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
To ask some questions	To plan a small	To pose a range of	To independently devise	To independently devise	To confidently and	To independently plan
about historical	enquiry by asking	valid questions	a range of historically	significant historical	independently devise	and produce quality,
figures/events.	relevant questions.	independently.	valid questions for a	enquiries based on a	significant historical	detailed responses to a
			series of different	range of valid	enquiries based on a	wide range of
Understanding the	To find relevant	To find relevant	types of enquiry.	questions, e.g. related	broad range of valid	historical enquiries.
World — Past and	information to answer	information from		to 'What happened	questions, e.g related to	·
<mark>Present</mark>	questions using at least	more than one source	To answer these	when the Romans came	'Was the Anglo-Saxon	To make reference to
	one story and another	to confidently answer	questions with detailed	to Britain?'.	period really a Dark	appropriate evidence
	type of source, e.g.	these questions. e.g. to	structured responses		Age?'.	from a wide range of
	'Which are the most	answer 'Why we	making reference to	To answer the		complex, varied sources
	significant explorers?'	should remember a	specific sources of	questions in some detail	To answer the	studied within the
		local hero?'	evidence related to	using a range of	questions in detail	sessions and also from
	To use appropriate		'Why should we	relevant and varied	using a broad range of	their own research to
	historical vocabulary.	To use a range of	preserve our locality?'.	sources to support points	relevant and varied	produce a structured
		appropriate vocabulary		made.	sources to support points	argument to answer
	Unit 2 — The Greatest	in both their questions	To use a range of		made.	the sub-question and
	<mark>Explorers</mark>	and answers.	relevant historical	Work will be clearly		build towards reaching
			terms.	structured. with	Work is clearly	an overall conclusion.
		<mark>Unit 2 – Our Local</mark>		contrasting viewpoints	structured with	To reach a valid
		<mark>Heroes</mark>	<mark>Unit 3 – Our Local</mark>	considered.	contrasting viewpoints	overall conclusion, e.g.
			<mark>Area</mark>		considered.	'Which of the world
				To use a broad range	To use the evidence to	wars had the greater
				of relevant historical	reach a valid and	impact on their
				terms.		community?' with clear

		To work independently	substantiated overall	reference made to the
				3
		and with confidence.	conclusion.	preceding arguments
				and evidence.
		<mark>Unit I – Roman</mark>	To use a broad range	To confidently use a
		<mark>Britain</mark>	of relevant historical	broad range of
			terms throughout.	challenging, relevant
			3	historical terms
			To follow a clear	throughout.
			structure appropriate	
			for presenting an	To critically evaluate
			argument.	their enquiry and
				consider ways in which
			To work independently	it could be improved or
			and with confidence.	developed.
			To begin to critically	Unit 3 — The Impact
			evaluate their enquiry	of War
			and consider possible	
			ways in which it could	
			be improved or	
			developed.	
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			Saxons	
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HISTORY ENQUIRY: USING SOURCES AS EVIDENCE

EYFS	YEAR I	YEAR 2	YEAR3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
To understand the past	To extract some	To select key	To understand how	To recognise possible	From a range of	To comment with
through settings,	information from	information	sources can be used to	uses of a range of	sources provided, to be	confidence on the
characters and events	more than one type of	independently from	answer a range of	sources for answering	able to accept and	value of a range of
encountered in the	source to find out	several different types	historical questions, e.g.	historical enquiries, e.g.	reject sources based on	different types of
books	about an aspect of the	of source including	'Do you think the	the pupil can use a	valid criteria when	sources for enquiries,
read/storytelling/videos	past. e.g. about their	written, visual, oral	Bronze and Iron Ages	range of sources to	carrying out particular	including extended
seen_	grandparent's	sources and artefacts,	were dangerous times	compile a detailed	enquiries, e.g. 'How	enquiries, e.g. can
	childhood. These	etc. to answer	to live?'	description of what	useful is written	select and reject
Understanding the	sources could include	historical questions, e.g.		Dick Turpin was like.	evidence in finding out	appropriate sources to
World — Past and	written, visual, oral	about a local hero.	To know that some		about the	exemplify the impact
<mark>Present</mark>	sources and artefacts		sources may be more	To use the sources to	AngloSaxons?'	of the wars from
	including the	To demonstrate an	useful than others in	compile a detailed		those studied within the
	environment.	understanding that	answering certain	description of what	To explain why they	unit.
		some sources are more	historical questions.	Dick Turpin was like.	have made that	
	Unit I – My Family	useful than others in			selection, possibly with	To explain confidently
	<mark>History</mark>	providing information	Unit I — The Stone	To demonstrate an	some references to	why they have made
		to answer a historical	<mark>Age</mark>	understanding that	utility and reliability.	that selection,
		question.		some sources may be		referring to both
			<mark>Unit 2 — The Bronze</mark>	more useful than	To begin to critically	utility and reliability
		<mark>Unit 2 – Our Local</mark>	Age and the Iron Age	others by commenting	evaluate their enquiry	and considering the
		<mark>Heroes</mark>		on the importance of	and consider possible	purpose, audience,
				some of the sources.	ways in which it could	accuracy and how the
					be improved or	source was compiled.
				Unit 3 — Crime and	developed	historical terms
				<mark>Punishment</mark>		throughout.
					Unit I — The Anglo-	Unit 3- The Impact of
					<u>Saxons</u>	<mark>War</mark>

