

## History Skills Progression

<u>Reception</u> Understanding the World	Use and understand vocabulary related to the past e.g. yesterday, before, after, now, then, autumn, winter, spring, summer, tomorrow, yesterday, days of the week, months of the year, this week, next week, etc. Know that children were babies in the past. Know that adults were children in the past. Know that adults can remember things Describe and re-enact traditions from Chinese New Year Identify similarities and differences between babies and four year olds. Describe how people change in the first four years of life. Identify similarities and differences between four year olds and adults. Describe how people grow up and change.						
	Year I	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Chronological understanding	Sequence events in their life Sequence 3 or 4 artefacts from distinctly different periods of time. Match objects to people of different ages	Sequence artefacts closer together in time - check with reference book. Sequence photographs etc. from different periods of their life. Describe memories of key events in lives	Place the time studied on a time line. Use dates and terms related to the study unit and passing of time. Sequence several events or artefacts	Place events from period studied on time line. Use terms related to the period and begin to date events. Understand more complex terms eg BC/AD	Know and sequence key events of time studied. Use relevant terms and period labels. Make comparisons between different times in the past.	Place current study on time line in relation to other studies. Use relevant dates and terms. Sequence up to 10 events on a time line.	
Range and depth of historical knowledge	Recognise the difference between past and present in their own and others' lives.	Recognise why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result	Find out about everyday lives of people in time studied compare with our life today.	Use evidence to reconstruct life in time studied. Identify key features and events of time studied	Study different aspects of different people - differences between men and women.	Find out about beliefs, behaviour and characteristics of people, recognising that not everyone shares the same views and	



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	They know and recount episodes	Identify differences between ways of life	Identify reasons for and results of	Look for links and effects in time	Examine causes and results of great	feelings.
	from stories about the past.	at different times.	people's actions.	studied.	events and the impact on people.	Compare beliefs and behaviour with
	•		Understand why people may have wanted to do	Offer a reasonable explanation for some events,	Compare life in early and late 'times'	another time studied.
			something		studied.	Write another explanation of a past
					Compare an aspect of lie with the same aspect in another period	event in terms of cause and effect using evidence to support and illustrate their explanation.
						Know key dates, characters and events of time studied.
Interpretations		Compare two	Identify and give	Look at the	Compare accounts of events from	Link sources and
of history	encourage children to distinguish between fact and fiction.	versions of a past event. Compare pictures	reasons for different ways in which the past is represented.	evidence available. Begin to evaluate the usefulness of	different sources – fact or fiction.	work out how conclusions were arrived at.
		or photographs of	Distinguish between	different sources.	Offer some reasons for different	Consider ways of
	Compare adults talking about the past – how reliable	people or events in the past.	different sources – compare different versions of the same	Use text books and historical knowledge	versions of events.	checking the accuracy of interpretations –
	are their memories?	Discuss reliability of photos/accounts/sto	story.			fact or fiction and opinion.
		ries	Look at representations of			



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			the period –			Be aware that
			museum, cartoons			different evidence
			etc			will lead to different
						conclusions.
						Confidently use the
						library and internet
						for research,
Historical	Find answers to	Use a source,	Use a range of	Use evidence to	Begin to identify	Recognise primary
enquiry	simple questions	observe or handle	sources to find out	build up a picture of	primary and	and secondary
	about the past from	sources to answer	about a period.	a past event.	secondary sources.	sources.
	sources of	questions about the				
	information e.g.	past on the basis of	Observe small	Choose relevant	Use evidence to	Use a range of
	artefacts.	simple observations.	details – artefacts,	material to present	build up a picture of	sources to find out
			pictures.	a picture of one	a past event.	about an aspect of
				aspect of life in time		time past.
			Select and record	past.	Select relevant	
			information relevant		sections of	Suggest omissions
			to the study.	Ask a variety of	information.	and the means of
				questions.		finding out.
			Begin to use the		Use the library and	
			library and internet	Use the library and	internet for	Bring knowledge
			for research.	internet for	research with	gathered from
				research	increasing	several sources
					confidence,	together in a fluent
						account