

Design & Technology Skills Progression Map

	Reception	Year I	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Explore	Investigate models similar to what they want to make.	Investigate models, similar to which they will make.	Investigate models, similar to which they will make.	Investigate models. Take components apart and discuss the parts needed and what they do.	Investigate models. Take components apart and discuss the parts needed and how mechanisms work. Begin to understand technical language.	Investigate models. Take components apart and discuss the parts needed and how mechanisms work. Develop technical language.	Investigate models. Take components apart and discuss the parts needed and how mechanisms work. Develop technical language.
Design	Work in different contexts, school, playground, outdoor areas and home Generate ideas from examples and begin to talk about what their designs will be like.	Design original products from existing ideas Describe who their products are for and the purpose of the products.	Design original products from existing and imaginary ideas. Describe who their products are for and the purpose of the products. Discuss components, materials, joins and assembly	Design from a range of contexts: Home. school, leisure and industry. Decide who their products are for and the purpose of the products. Gather information and generate ideas from information collected about the needs and wants of the target user.	Design from a range of contexts: Home. school, leisure and industry. Design their own design criteria. Gather information and generate ideas from information collected about the needs and wants of the target user.	Confidently design from a range of contexts: Home. school, leisure industry, enterprise and web-based sources Design their own design criteria. Gather information and generate ideas from information collected about the needs and	Confidently design from a range of contexts: Home. school, leisure industry, enterprise and web-based sources Describe in detail design features and why they would appeal to the end user. Carry out research of needs and wants of a market. Model ideas



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						Annotate
						sketches and
			product.	•		present cross
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						drawings,
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						designs and
				-		computer aided
				prototypes.		diagrams.
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						range of tools,
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suggestions of		Use measures,	Order the main	Order the main		components.
tools to use.	Choose a range	cut-outs and	stages of making.	stages of making.	Order the main	Order the main
	of tools.	shapes.	Use measures,	Use measures,	stages of making.	stages of making.
		Follow safety	cut-outs and	nets and shapes.	Produce an	Produce an
		procedures.	shapes.	Follow safety	appropriate list	appropriate list
			Follow safety	procedures.	of tools and	of tools and
			procedures.	Follow design	materials.	materials.
				criteria.	Use measures,	Use measures,
					nets and shapes.	nets and shapes.
						Accurately apply
					procedures.	a range of
						finishing
					criteria.	techniques. Be
						resourceful,
						innovative and
						resilient.
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Evaluate	Discuss their work. Saying what is good.	Talk about their design ideas. Discuss how to make them better. Explore what products are.	Discuss their ideas against design criteria. Make simple judgements about their products. Discuss likes and dislikes of product.	Investigate and analyse how well the product has been made. Identify the strengths and areas for improvement in their product. Consider the views of others. Use their design criteria to evaluate the	Investigate and analyse how well the product has been made. Identify the strengths and areas for improvement in their product. Discuss methods of construction and materials used.	Investigate and analyse how well the product has been made. Identify the strengths and areas for improvement in their product. Discuss methods of construction and materials used.	the product has been made. Identify the strengths and areas for improvement in their product. Asses if the product meets the criteria. Discuss what
				•	and materials		



Technical knowledge	Recognise that a range of technology can be used in various places such as home and school.	Select and use technology for particular purposes. Understand the simple characteristics of materials and components.	Understand the working characteristics of their products. Know about the simple movements of levers, sliders, wheels and axles.	Use mathematical and scientific knowledge to understand how the product is made and works. Understand that materials have aesthetic qualities. Know how mechanical features create movement.	Use mathematical and scientific knowledge to understand how the product is made and works. Understand that materials have functional and aesthetic qualities. Know how mechanical features create movement. Know that simple electric circuits can be used to create a function.	Use mathematical and scientific knowledge to understand how the product is made and works. Program a computer to control their products. Understand that materials have functional and aesthetic qualities. Know how mechanical features create movement. Recognise that materials can be mixed. Explore more complex electric circuits.	Use mathematical and scientific knowledge to understand how the product is made and works. Program a computer to control their products. Understand that materials have functional and aesthetic qualities. Know how mechanical features create movement. Recognise that materials can be mixed. Make strong stiff shell structures and 3D models.
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