Cavendish Writing Progression 2024

Year	Word	Sentence	Text	Punctuation	Terminology for pupils	
EYFS	See EYFS Curriculum Overview					
1	Regular plural noun suffixes –s or –es (e.g. dog, dogs; wish, wishes), including the effects of these suffixes on the meaning of the noun Suffixes that can be added to verbs where no change is needed in the spelling of root words (e.g. helping, helped, helper) How the prefix un—changes the meaning of verbs and adjectives (negation, e.g. unkind, or undoing, e.g. untie the boat)	How words can combine to make sentences Joining words and joining clauses using and	Sequencing sentences to form short narratives	Separation of words with spaces Introduction to capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences Capital letters for names and for the personal pronoun I	letter, capital letter, word, singular, plural, sentence, punctuation, full stop, question mark, exclamation mark	

2	Formation of nouns using suffixes such as —ness, —er and by compounding (e.g. whiteboard, superman) Formation of adjectives using suffixes such as —ful, —less (A fuller list of suffixes can be found in the year 2 spelling appendix.) Use of the suffixes — er, — est in adjectives and —ly to turn adjectives into adverbs	Subordination (using when, if, that, because) and co- ordination (using or, and, but) Expanded noun phrases for description and specification (e.g. the blue butterfly, plain flour, the man in the moon) How the grammatical patterns in a sentence indicate its function as a statement, question, exclamation or command	Correct choice and consistent use of present tense and past tense throughout writing Use of the progressive form of verbs in the present and past tense to mark actions in progress (e.g. she is drumming, he was shouting)	Use of capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences Commas to separate items in a list Apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and to mark singular possession in nouns (for example, the girl's name)	noun, noun phrase, expanded noun phrase, statement, question, exclamation, command, main clause, subordinating conjunction, co-ordinating conjunction, compound, adjective, verb, adverb suffix, tense (past, present), progressive form of verbs, apostrophe, comma
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4	The grammatical difference between plural and possessive -s Standard English forms for verb inflections instead of local spoken forms (e.g. we were instead of we was, or I did instead of I done)	Noun phrases expanded by the addition of modifying adjectives, nouns and preposition phrases (e.g. the teacher expanded to: the strict maths teacher with curly hair) Fronted adverbials (e.g. Later that day, I heard the bad news.)	Use of paragraphs to organise ideas around a theme Appropriate choice of pronoun or noun within and across sentences to aid cohesion and avoid repetition	Use of inverted commas and other punctuation to indicate direct speech e.g. a comma after the reporting clause; end punctuation within inverted commas (e.g. The conductor shouted, "Sit down!") Apostrophes to mark singular and plural possession (e.g. the girl's name, the girls' names) Use of commas after fronted adverbials	Determiner, pronoun, possessive pronoun, adverbial
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5	Converting nouns or adjectives into verbs using suffixes (e.g. – ate; –ise; – ify) Verb prefixes (e.g. dis–, de–, mis–, over– and re–)	Relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that, or an omitted relative pronoun Indicating degrees of possibility using adverbs (e.g. perhaps, surely) or modal verbs (e.g. might, should, will, must)	Devices to build cohesion within a paragraph (e.g. then, after that, this, firstly) Linking ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time (e.g. later), place (e.g. nearby) and number (e.g. secondly)	Brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis Use of commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity	modal verb, relative pronoun, relative clause parenthesis, bracket, dash, cohesion, ambiguity
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6	The difference between vocabulary typical of informal speech and vocabulary appropriate for formal speech and writing (e.g. find out – discover; ask for – request; go in – enter) How words are related by meaning as synonyms and antonyms (e.g. big, large, little).	Use of the passive to affect the presentation of information in a sentence (e.g. I broke the window in the greenhouse versus The window in the greenhouse was broken [by me]). The difference between structures typical of informal speech and structures appropriate for formal speech and writing (such as the use of question tags, e.g. He's your friend, isn't he?, or the use of subjunctive forms such as If I were or Were they to come in some very formal writing and speech)	Linking ideas across paragraphs using a wider range of cohesive devices: repetition of a word or phrase, grammatical connections (e.g. the use of adverbials such as on the other hand, in contrast, or as a consequence), and ellipsis Layout devices, such as headings, subheadings, columns, bullets, or tables, to structure text	Use of the semi-colon, colon and dash to mark the boundary between independent clauses (e.g. It's raining; I'm fed up) Use of the colon to introduce a list and use of semi-colons within lists Punctuation of bullet points to list information How hyphens can be used to avoid ambiguity (e.g. man eating shark versus man-eating shark, or recover versus recover)	subject, object, active, passive, synonym, antonym, ellipsis, hyphen, colon, semicolon, bullet points
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