

History Progression of Learning

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Chronological	• Sequence events in	• Sequence	 Place the time 	 Place events from 	Know and	Place current
understanding	their life	artefacts closer	studied on a time	period studied on	sequence key	study on time line
	• Sequence 3 or 4	together in time -	line	time line	events of time	in relation to other
	artefacts from distinctly	check with	 Use dates and 	 Use terms related 	studied	studies
	different periods of	reference book	terms related to	to the period and	 Use relevant 	 Use relevant
	time	Sequence	the study unit and	begin to date	terms and period	dates and terms
	 Match objects to 	photographs etc.	passing of time	events	labels	 Sequence up to
	people of different ages	from different	• Sequence several	 Understand more 	• Make	10 events on a time
		periods of their life	events or artefacts	complex terms eg	comparisons	line
		• Describe		BC/AD	between different	
		memories of key			times in the past	
		events in lives				
Range and	 Recognise the 	 Recognise why 	• Find out about	• Use evidence to	Study different	• Find out about
depth of	difference between past	people did things,	every day lives of	reconstruct life in	aspects of different	beliefs, behaviour
historical	and present in their	why events	people in time	time studied	people -	and characteristics
knowledge	own and others lives	happened and	studied	 Identify key 	differences	of people,
	They know and	what happened as	 Compare with 	features and	between men and	recognising that
	recount episodes from	a result	our life today	events of time	women	not everyone
	stories about the past	Identify	 Identify reasons 	studied	 Examine causes 	shares the same
		differences	for and results of	 Look for links and 	and results of great	views and feelings
		between ways of	people's actions	effects in time	events and the	 Compare beliefs
		life at different	 Understand why 	studied	impact on people	and behaviour with
		times	people may have	• Offer a	 Compare life in 	another time
			wanted to do	reasonable	early and late	studied
			something	explanation for	'times' studied	 Write another
				some events	 Compare an 	explanation of a
					aspect of lie with	past event in terms
					the same	of cause and effect
						using evidence to
						support and
						illustrate their
						explanation

						 Know key dates, characters and events of time studied
Interpretations of history	Use stories to encourage children to distinguish between fact and fiction Compare adults talking about the past – how reliable are their memories?	 Compare 2 versions of a past event Compare pictures or photographs of people or events in the past Discuss reliability of photos/accounts/stories 	• Identify and give reasons for different ways in which the past is represented • Distinguish between different sources – compare different versions of the same story • Look at representations of the period – museum, cartoons etc	Look at the evidence available Begin to evaluate the usefulness of different sources Use text books and historical knowledge	Compare accounts of events from different sources – fact or fiction Offer some reasons for different versions of events	• Link sources and work out how conclusions were arrived at • Consider ways of checking the accuracy of interpretations — fact or fiction and opinion • Be aware that different evidence will lead to different conclusions • Confidently use the library and internet for research
Historical enquiry	• Find answers to simple questions about the past from sources of information e.g. artefacts, (see 4a)	Use a source – observe or handle sources to answer questions about the past on the basis of simple observations.	 Use a range of sources to find out about a period Observe small details – artefacts, pictures Select and record information relevant to the study 	 Use evidence to build up a picture of a past event ● Choose relevant material to present a picture of one aspect of life in time past Ask a variety of questions 	Begin to identify primary and secondary sources Use evidence to build up a picture of a past event Select relevant sections of information	 Recognise primary and secondary sources Use a range of sources to find out about an aspect of time past Suggest omissions and the

			Begin to use the library and internet for research	Use the library and internet for research	Use the library and internet for research with increasing confidence	means of finding out • Bring knowledge gathered from several sources together in a fluent account
Organisation	Communicate their knowledge through:			Recall, select and organise historical		Select and
and	Discussion			information		organise
communication	Drawing pictures		Communicate their knowledge and		information to	
	Drama/role play			understanding.		produce structured
	Making models					work, making
	Writing					appropriate use of
	Using ICT					dates and terms.