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Progression of skills in History

	Chronological Understanding	Historical Enquiry	Historical Interpretations	Organisation and Communication	Understanding of events, people and changes
Year one	 beginning to use terms concerned with the passing of time (through careful teaching and visual support). placing events in a pictorial order or using other visual methods. beginning to recognise that their own lives are different from the lives of people in the past with careful scaffolding and give some verbal examples. 	observing or handling primary and secondary sources of information to answer simple questions about the past on the basis of simple observations with teacher support.	able to identify some of the different ways in which the past is represented to include artefacts and videos.	 verbally re-tell events from the past with growing detail using visual prompts. represent a re-telling with drawings and simple sentences. 	Verbally demonstrate a growing knowledge and understanding of aspects of the past within and beyond living memory.
Year two	Using common terms confidently and with growing accuracy concerned with the passing of time. Including artefacts in order from oldest to newest (chronological). recognising that their own lives are different from the lives of people in the past and give verbal and written examples.	observing or handle primary and secondary sources of information to answer questions about the past on the basis of observations with a good level of detail with growing independency.	confidently able to recall and describe several different ways in which the past is represented to include history books and dramatization.	confidently and accurately re-tell a story of events verbally from the past with some detail. represent a re-telling with drawings and simple sentences that include some relevant historical detail and vocabulary (sentences to be supported by teacher if child's grammar / punctuation / spelling ability requires it).	 show <u>a secure</u> knowledge and understanding of aspects of the past beyond living memory, <u>and of some of the main events and people they have studied.</u> beginning to recognise that there are reasons why people in the past acted as they did <u>and confidently give examples.</u>
Year three	 the developing realisation that the <u>past of Britain</u> can be divided into different periods of time <u>and are beginning to identify periods on a timeline</u>. <u>some recognition</u> of similarities and differences between these 	 using a selection of sources of information in ways that go beyond simple observations to answer questions about the past with teacher support. 	able to identify some of the different ways in which the past is represented to include art and archaeology.	beginning to select information from a given source and with teacher support use a given structure to present information making use of appropriate use of dates and terms.	 show increased knowledge and understanding of some of the main events, people and changes studied and able to articulate these verbally. beginning to give a few reasons for, and results of, the main events and changes.

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	periods, and the verbal and				
	pictorial use of dates and terms.				
Year four	secure realisation that the past of Britain can be divided into different periods of time, realisation that the past of different societies can be divided into different periods of time secure recognition of some of the similarities and differences between these periods, and their use of dates and terms which they are able to record verbally, pictorially and in writing.	using a selection of sources of information in ways that go beyond simple observations to answer questions about the past initially verbally and then in written form.	identify and discuss some of the different ways in which the past is represented through architecture and how these methods still impact on British culture today.	identify and select relevant information from a given source. Using a given structure to organise and present information making appropriate use of dates and terms with increasing independency.	 show knowledge and understanding of some of the main events, people and changes studied. able to give several reasons for, and results of, the main events and changes and record these in a written form after initial verbal discussion.
Year five	able to describe some characteristic features of past societies and periods beginning to identify changes within and across different periods	 beginning to select and combine information from sources provided. identify sources that are useful for particular tasks. 	Understand that aspects of the past have been represented and interpreted in different ways and start to discuss and evaluate their reliability to include written accounts and period photography.	able to select and organise information from a range of sources. beginning to produce structured work, making appropriate use of dates and terms.	 describe some of the main events, people and changes. give some reasons for, and results of, the main events and changes in spoken and written form. With teacher support, begin to make connections between cause, effect and consequence.
Year six	 Confidently describe characteristic features of past societies and periods in spoken and written form, Able to identify changes within and across different periods 	 select and combine information from different sources (primary and secondary). Using their knowledge and understanding, they are evaluating sources of 	understand that aspects of the past have been represented and interpreted in different ways to include propaganda and The Official Secret's act. Make judgements on their	 able to select, synthesise and organise information from a range of sources. producing structured and historically accurate work, making appropriate use of dates and terms. 	 describe in factual detail some of the main events, people and changes to include dates etc. give several reasons for, and results of, the main events and changes. Understand cause, effect and consequence.

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information and identify those that are useful for	reliability as sources of information.	
particular tasks.		