Progression of Skills in History

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Chronological understanding	- Can look closely at similarities, differences, patterns and change.	- 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, checking with reference books 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.	- 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 events in their own lives Know some reasons why people's lives were different in the past.	- Recognise the difference between past and present in their own and other's lives They know and recount episodes from stories about the past.	- Recognise why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result to make them significant (both from within living memory and beyond) Identify differences between ways of life at different times Know historical events, people and places from our locality.	- Find out about everyday lives of people in time studied Compare with our life today Identify reasons for and results of people's actions Understand why people may have wanted to do something.	- Use evidence to reconstruct life in time studied Identify key features and events of time studied Look for links and effects in time studied Offer a reasonable explanation for some events.	- Study different aspects of different people eg differences between men and women Examine causes and results of great events and the impact on people Compare life in early and late 'times' studied Compare an aspect of life with the same aspect in another period.	- Find out about beliefs, behavior and characteristics of people, recognising that not everyone shares the same views and feelings Compare beliefs and behaviour with another time studied Write another explanation of a past 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 of history		- Use stories to encourage children to distinguish between fact and fiction Compare adults talking about their past; how reliable are their memories?	- Compare two 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 (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, fiction or 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 eg artefacts.	- 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 in artefacts/pictures etc Select and record information relevant to the study Begin to use the library and internet for research.	- 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 Use the library and internet for research.	- Begin to identify primary and secondary sources Use evidence to build up a picture of a past event Select relevant sections of information Use the library and internet for research with increasing confidence.	- Recognise primary and secondary sources Use a range of sources to find out about an aspect of time past Suggest omissions and the means of finding out Bring knowledge gathered from several sources together in a fluent account.
Organisation and communication	- Recount experiences and imagine possibilities, often connecting ideas.	- Communicate their knowledge through: Discussion Drawing pictures Drama/role play Making models Writing Using ICT			 Recall, select and organise historical information. Communicate their knowledge and understanding. 		- Select and organise information to produce structured work, making appropriate use of dates and terms.
Coverage		Suggestions include (but <u>are not</u> statutory):		Pupils should be taught about: - Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age.			

KS2: Year A Year B Year C Year D	Events: Great Fire of London, the first aeroplane flight. Comparing aspects of life in different periods: Elizabeth I and Queen Victoria, Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong, William Caxton and Tim Berners-Lee, Pieter Bruegel the Elder and LS Lowry, Rosa Parks and Emily Davison, Mary Seacole and/or Florence Nightingale and
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- The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain.
- Britain settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots.
- The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor.
- A local history study (of Frieth)
- A study of an aspect or theme in British history beyond 1066 (Victorians, World War II)
- Achievements of earliest civilizations (an overview of where and when the first civilizations appeared and a depth study of one of the following: Ancient Sumer;
 The Indus Valley; Ancient Egypt; The Shang Dynasty of Ancient China)
- Ancient Greece
- A non-European society that provides contrast with British history (chosen from early Islamic civilization, Mayan civilization, Benin).