



End of Year Expectations for Year 1

Reading

Reading Comprehension

- Say what they like or dislike about a text
- Link what they read or hear to their own experiences
- Retell key stories orally using narrative language
- Understand and talk about the main characteristics within a known key story
- Learn some poems and rhymes by heart
- Use prior knowledge, context and vocabulary provided to understand texts
- Check that the text makes sense to them as they read and correct miscues
- Begin to draw inferences from the text and/or the illustrations
- Make predictions based on the events in the text
- Explain what they understand about a text

Word Reading

- Match all 40+ graphemes to their phonemes (Phase 3)
- Blend sounds in unfamiliar words
- Divide words into syllables, for example, pocket, rabbit, carrot, thunder, sunset
- Read compound words, for example, football, playground, farm-yard, bedroom
- Read words with contractions, e.g. I'm, I'll, we'll, and understand that the apostrophe represents the omitted letter(s)
- Read phonically decodable texts with confidence
- Read words containing 's, es, ing, ed, er, est' endings
- Read words which have the prefix -un added
- Add the endings -ing, -ed and -er to verbs where no change is needed to the root word
- Read words of more than one syllable that contain taught GPCs (grapheme, phoneme correspondence)

Writing

Transcription

- Sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly
- Begin to form lower case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place
- Form capital letters and the digits 0-9
- Understand which letters belong to which handwriting
- 'families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways) and to practise these
- Identify known phonemes in unfamiliar words
- Use syllables to divide words when spelling
- Use knowledge of alternative phonemes to narrow down possibilities for accurate spelling
- Use the spelling rule for adding s or es for verbs in 3rd person singular
- Name the letters of the alphabet in order
- Use letter names to show alternative spellings of the same phoneme

Composition

- Compose a sentence orally before writing it
- Sequence sentences to form short narratives
- Sequence sentences in chronological order to recount an event or an experience
- Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense
- Leave spaces between words
- Begin to punctuate sentences using a capital letter and a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark
- Use a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun
- Use 'and' to join sentences together
- Know how the prefix 'un' can be added to words to change meaning