

EYFS

During Nursery children will begin to make sense of their own life story and their family's history. In Reception, children will comment on images of familiar situations in the past and be able to compare and contrast characters in stories that take place in the past. Early Learning Goals for understanding the past and present at the end of EYFS:

- I can talk about the lives of the people around me and their roles in society
- I know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on my own experiences and stories I have heard in class
- I understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books that have been read in class and storytelling

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Chronological understanding	I know about and sequence changes that have happened since I was born I can sequence 3 or 4 artefacts from different periods of time	I can sequence artefacts closer together in time and check if I am right in a reference book I can sequence artefacts, like photographs, from different periods of my own life I can describe memories of key events in my own life	I can place historical periods I study in a time line I can describe the passing of time using dates and terms about the time period I am studying I can sequence several events or artefacts of the historical period I am studying	I can sequence events from the period I am studying on a time line I can use terms relating to the period I am studying and begin to date events I can understand more complex terms such BC and AD	I know and can sequence key events of a historical period I am studying I can use relevant terms and period labels I can make comparisons between different times in the past	I can put my previous periods I have studied on a time line and place my current period on a time line in relation to them I can sequence up to ten events on a timeline I can use relevant dates and terms verbally and in writing
Range and depth of historical knowledge	I can give examples of things that were different when my grandparents were children I know about a famous person who was born or lived near my town I can recount an episode that happened in the past	I can identify differences between ways of life between different times, such as when my grandparents were young I can recount the life of someone famous from Britain who lived in the past and know about how	I can find out about the every day lives of people from the past I can compare the lives of people in the past with our lives today I can identify reasons for	I can use evidence to reconstruct life in the historical period I am studying I can identify key place, features and events of the historical period I am studying I can look for links and identify	I can study different aspects of different people in past societies eg. men, women and children I can examine causes and results of great events and the impact on people I can identify changes in historical periods studied and be able to compare early and later stages of the same period	I can study aspects of the past such as beliefs or behaviour and recognise people can have differing views and feelings I can compare the beliefs and behaviour of the period I am studying with those a different time period

		they made the world a better place I can recount the life of someone famous who lived outside of Britain and explain why their actions were important	people's actions and their results (cause and effects) I can understand why people may have wanted to do something in the past	events/actions and their effects I can suggest reasonable explanations for events in the past I know how a historical period impacted on where we live now and the world as a whole	I can compare an aspect of life with the same aspect in another period	I can write another explanations of a past event in terms of cause and effect and use evidence to justify my ideas I know key dates, characters and events of the time period I am studying
Interpretations of history	I can understand the difference between fact and fiction using stories I can decide how reliable a person's memories can be when talking about the past	I can compare two versions of a past event I can compare pictures or photographs of people or events in the past I can discuss the reliability of photos/accounts and stories	I can look at a range of representations of the period studied, eg. museum, cartoons, pictures I can identify and give reasons different ways in which the past is represented I can compare different versions of the same event/story and distinguish between the sources	I can look a range of available evidence I can begin to evaluate the usefulness of different sources I understand how historic items and artefacts have been used to build up a picture of the past	I can compare accounts of events from different sources and evaluate how reliable they are I can offer reasons for different versions of the same event	I can connect sources to identify how conclusions about the past were reached I can consider how to check the accuracy of interpretations – fact, fiction or opinion I understand that different evidence can lead to different conclusions I can confidently use a range of research methods
Historical enquiry	I can ask and answer questions about old and new objects I can answer simple questions about the past using different	I can use a source, like an object, to answer questions about the past using simple observations	I can use a range of sources to find out about the past I can make observations	I can use evidence to build up a picture of a past event I can represent one aspect of a historical	I can begin to identify primary and secondary sources I can use a range of evidence to build a picture of a past event	I can recognise primary and secondary sources I can use a range of sources to find out about an aspect of the past

	sources eg. artefacts, photographs, pictures	eg. what might it have been used for? I can use books and the internet to find out about the past I can ask an older person questions to find out about the past	about small details from artefacts, pictures, photographs I can select and record important information for the historical period I am studying I begin to use the library and internet for my research	period by choosing relevant material I can ask a variety of questions to find out about a historical period I can use the library and the internet to research	I can select relevant information to answer my questions I can confidently use the library and internet for research	I can suggest omissions and the means of finding them out I can produce a fluent account by bringing together information from a range of sources
Organisation	I can show my knowledge using a range of ways Discussion Drawing pictures Drama/role play Making models Writing Using ICT	I can show my knowledge using a range of ways Discussion Drawing pictures Drama/role play Making models Writing Using ICT	I can show my knowledge using a range of ways Discussion Drawing pictures Drama/role play Making models Writing Using ICT	I can communicate my knowledge and understanding using a range of ways which now includes Recalling, selecting and organising historical information clearly	I can communicate my knowledge and understanding using a range of ways, which now includes Recalling, selecting and organising historical information clearly	I can communicate my knowledge and understanding in a variety of ways which now includes Selecting and organising information to produce structured work, making appropriate use of dates and terms
Communication	I can use vocabulary to explain my understanding year, history, remember, modern, timeline, memories	I can use vocabulary to explain my understanding artefact, important, period, research, monarch, historian	I can use vocabulary to explain my understanding chronological, millennium, evidence, similarities, migration, compare	I can use vocabulary to explain my understanding civilisation, empire, settlers, invasion, archaeology, achievement	I can use vocabulary to explain my understanding significance, consequence, continuity, government, resistance, conquest	I can use vocabulary to explain my understanding culture, democracy, economics, interpretation, bias, legacy