

Year group objectives for Computing – Year 4

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Autumn 1 (The internet)

Session no.	Objective	Assessment
1	To describe how networks physically connect to other networks	Introduction: Learners can describe what the internet is. Activity 1: Learners can describe the key parts of a network and enact a message being passed around a network. Activity 2: Learners can explain the role of routers in creating the internet — a connected network of networks. Activity 3: Learners can explain the need for network security.
2	To recognise how networked devices make up the internet	Activity 1: Learners can suggest some of the different routes possible and relate routing to the World Wide Web. Activity 2: Learners can explain that the World Wide Web is part of the internet. Activity 3: Learners can explain the difference between a website and a web page.
3	To outline how websites can be shared via the World Wide Web (WWW)	Activity 1: Learners can explain what can and cannot be shared on the World Wide Web. Activity 2: Learners can deduce the origin of websites from the domain name and appreciate that websites are hosted all around the world. Activity 3: Learners can identify devices which can be used to access the World Wide Web.
4	To describe how content can be added and accessed on the World Wide Web (WWW)	Activity 1: Learners can understand the different parts of a website. Activity 2: Learners can explain the advantages and disadvantages of anyone being able to add content to the World Wide Web. Activity 3: Learners can explain that some websites enable content creation and can discuss the limitations of these websites.

5	To recognise how the content of the WWW is created by people	<p>Introduction: Learners can say who creates content on the web.</p> <p>Activity 1: Learners can explain the rules for using and sharing content on the web.</p> <p>Activity 2: Learners can explain rules for sharing things in a real world context.</p> <p>Activity 3: Learners can explain who owns content on the World Wide Web.</p>
6	To evaluate the consequences of unreliable content	<p>Introduction: Learners can identify which images have been edited to convey something which is not real.</p> <p>Activity 1: Learners can explain why some information on the World Wide Web may not be accurate.</p> <p>Activity 2: Learners can explain why inaccurate or false information is shared on the World Wide Web.</p> <p>Activity 3: Learners can explain how information can spread quickly online and the implications of this.</p>

Autumn 2 (Audio Editing)

Session no.	Objective	Assessment
1	To identify that sound can be digitally recorded	<p>Activity 1: Learners can demonstrate their existing knowledge of devices capable of recording sound.</p> <p>Activity 2: Learners can demonstrate their understanding of copyright and the implications of unauthorised copying.</p>
2	To use a digital device to record sound	<p>Activity 1: Learners can demonstrate their ability to make a good audio recording based on the previous lesson's criteria.</p>
3	To explain that a digital recording is stored as a file	<p>Activity 1: Learners can demonstrate their understanding of podcast features and content.</p> <p>Activity 2: Learners can demonstrate their ability to use Audacity to make sound recordings.</p>

4	To explain that audio can be changed through editing	<p>Activity 1: Enables learners to demonstrate their ability to open files they have previously saved.</p> <p>Activity 2: Enables learners to consolidate their understanding of using Audacity to record sound.</p> <p>Activity 3: Allows learners to demonstrate their use of selection tools.</p>
5	To show that different types of audio can be combined and played together	<p>Activity 2: Enables learners to demonstrate their ability to manipulate audio tracks.</p>
6	To evaluate editing choices made	<p>Activities 2 and 3: Enable learners to demonstrate their ability to evaluate podcast quality and suggest improvements.</p>

Spring 1 (Programming)

Session no.	Objective	Assessment
1	To identify that accuracy in programming is important	<p>Activity 1: You can assess pupils' ability to use basic Logo commands accurately.</p> <p>Activity 2: You can assess pupils' ability to change the values in commands.</p> <p>Activity 3: You can assess pupils' ability to read code, and to plan and write commands to draw a digit.</p>
2	To create a program in a text-based language	<p>Introduction: You can assess pupils' ability to spot syntax errors in Logo commands.</p> <p>Activity 1: You can assess pupils' understanding of a 90° turn.</p> <p>Activity 2: You can assess pupils' ability to create a successful algorithm.</p> <p>Activity 3: You can assess pupils' ability to use their algorithm to create code in Logo.</p>
3	To explain what 'repeat' means	<p>Introduction: You can assess pupils' ability to spot repetition in real-life patterns.</p> <p>Activity 1: You can assess pupils' understanding of the term 'repeat' and their ability to recognise and continue a pattern.</p> <p>Activity 2: You can assess pupils' ability to create a successful algorithm.</p>

		<p>Activity 3 and plenary: You can assess pupils' ability to understand and use the <code>repeat</code> command.</p>
4	To modify a count-controlled loop to produce a given outcome	<p>Introduction: You can assess whether pupils can identify the effect of changing the count in the loop.</p> <p>Activity 1: You can assess pupils' ability to trace code, and to make a prediction from a code snippet.</p> <p>Activity 2: You can assess pupils' ability to modify given code for a range of shapes.</p> <p>Activity 3: You can assess pupils' ability to program code snippets in Logo to create different shapes.</p> <p>Plenary: You can assess whether pupils know the function of the <code>repeat</code> value in a code snippet.</p>
5	To decompose a task into small steps	<p>Introduction: You can assess pupils' understanding of the structure of a count-controlled loop.</p> <p>Activity 1: You can assess pupils' ability to break down a real-life activity into chunks of actions.</p> <p>Activity 2: You can assess pupils' ability to modify given code to create their own procedures.</p> <p>Activity 3: You can assess pupils' ability to plan and program a pattern calling their procedure.</p> <p>Plenary: You can assess pupils' understanding of the fact that the computer can only follow what has been programmed, and so the procedure name is irrelevant.</p>
6	To create a program that uses count-controlled loops to produce a given outcome	<p>Introduction: You can assess pupils' ability to match code designs with a pattern.</p> <p>Activity 1: You can assess pupils' ability to create a design using a given format including count-controlled loops.</p> <p>Activity 2: You can assess pupils' ability to use their design to create a program.</p>

		<p>Activity 3: You can assess pupils' ability to debug their program to develop it.</p> <p>Plenary: You can assess pupils' understanding of how a range of debugging strategies can improve their work.</p>
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Spring 2 (Datalogging)

Session no.	Objective	Assessment
1	To explain that data gathered over time can be used to answer questions	<p>Activity 1: Assess whether learners can identify which table to use to answer the given questions.</p> <p>Activity 2: Assess whether learners can think of questions related to light, temperature, or sound levels in the classroom.</p> <p>Activity 3: Assess whether learners can identify which questions can and can't be answered from a set of collected data.</p> <p>Activity 4: Assess whether learners can identify data that can be collected over time, and suggest time periods over which that data is collected.</p>
2	To use a digital device to collect data automatically	<p>Activity 1: Assess whether learners can identify which table to use to answer the given questions.</p> <p>Activity 2: Assess whether learners can think of questions related to light, temperature, or sound levels in the classroom.</p> <p>Activity 3: Assess whether learners can identify which questions can and can't be answered from a set of collected data.</p> <p>Activity 4: Assess whether learners can identify data that can be collected over time, and suggest time periods over which that data is collected.</p>
3	To explain that a data logger collects 'data points' from sensors over time	<p>Activity 1: Assess whether learners can identify the inputs and outputs on a data logger.</p>

		<p>Activity 2: Assess whether learners can collect and accurately record readings from a data logger.</p> <p>Activity 3: Assess whether learners can capture and review data recorded using the data logger connected to a computer.</p>
4	To recognise how a computer can help us analyse data	<p>Activity 1: Assess whether learners can access and review the data file provided.</p> <p>Activity 2: Assess whether learners can answer questions using tools within the data logger software.</p> <p>Activity 3: Assess whether learners can sort data using filtering in a spreadsheet.</p>
5	To identify the data needed to answer questions	<p>Activity 1: Assess whether learners can think of questions related to light, temperature, or sound, changing over time.</p> <p>Activity 2: Assess whether learners can identify a suitable location and setup for their data logging experiment.</p> <p>Activity 3: Assess whether learners can test the key aspects of their data logging plan and identify any potential issues.</p>
6	To use data from sensors to answer questions	<p>Activity 1: Assess whether learners can access and review their collected data.</p> <p>Activity 2: Assess whether learners can answer their question using tools within the data logger software. You can also assess whether learners can draw conclusions more broadly from their data.</p>

Summer 1 (Photo editing)

Session no.	Objective	Assessment
1	To explain that digital images can be changed	<p>Starter activity: You can evaluate learners' prior knowledge and determine whether they have any experience of image editing.</p> <p>Activities 1 and 2: You can assess the learners' use of the tools covered so far (open, select, crop, save, and undo).</p>

		<p>Activity 3: Learners can reflect on the tools used, choices made, and how effective they were.</p> <p>Plenary: You can assess learners' understanding of why using digital editing tools might be useful for editing images.</p>
2	To change the composition of an image	<p>Activity 1: Learners' can demonstrate their knowledge of the editing tools studied in lesson 1.</p> <p>Activity 2: Learners can demonstrate their use of the search and save process.</p> <p>Activity 3: Learners can demonstrate their use of the tools introduced.</p> <p>Conclusion: Learners can reflect on the tools used, choices made, and how effective they were. They can also demonstrate their understanding of the different tools used by verbalising their functions.</p>
3	To describe how images can be changed for different uses	<p>Starter activity/Activity 1: Learners can demonstrate that they understand the effect that changes on an image can have.</p> <p>Activity 2: Learners can demonstrate that they can choose and add effects to an image.</p> <p>Activity 3: Learners can explain how their choices fit the scenario given.</p> <p>Conclusion: Learners can explain how images can be changed for different uses.</p>
4	To make good choices when selecting different tools	<p>Starter activity: Learners can demonstrate that they can identify changes in images.</p> <p>Activity 1: Learners can demonstrate the positive and negative aspects of retouching images.</p> <p>Activity 2: Learners can demonstrate that they can use appropriate tools for retouching.</p> <p>Plenary: Learners can demonstrate their understanding of why tools are used for certain purposes.</p>

5	To recognise that not all images are real	<p>Starter activity: You can examine the learners' prior knowledge and understanding of 'fake' and 'real'.</p> <p>Activity 2: You can assess the learners' use of appropriate tools for combining images.</p> <p>Conclusion: You can assess the learners' understanding that images around them may have been altered.</p>
6	To evaluate how changes can improve an image	<p>Starter activity: You can examine learners' prior knowledge and understanding of what makes a publication look professional.</p> <p>Activity 2: You can assess the learners' use of appropriate tools for adding other elements to images.</p> <p>Activity 3: You can reflect on the tools used, choices made, and the impact of the learners' changes.</p>

Summer 2 (Repetition in games)

Session no.	Objective	Assessment
1	To develop the use of count-controlled loops in a different programming environment	<p>Introduction: Assess the learners' ability to write a list of instructions for an everyday task, correctly identifying which parts are repeated</p> <p>Activity 1: Assess the learners' ability to use their knowledge of programming to create code sequences using Scratch blocks</p> <p>Activity 2: Assess the learners' ability to rearrange blocks of code into the correct sequence to make a triangle, and create different shapes using given code snippets</p> <p>Plenary: Assess the learners' ability to read the code snippet and predict where the drawing will stop, based on their understanding of the loop structure.</p>
2	To explain that in programming there are infinite loops and count-controlled loops	<p>Introduction: Assess learners' understanding of the meaning of the word 'infinite' by giving examples.</p>

		<p>Activity 1: Assess learners' ability to choose the correct Scratch block to change a count-controlled loop into an infinite loop.</p> <p>Activity 2: Assess learners' ability to modify code in a Scratch project.</p> <p>Activity 3: Assess learners' ability to choose the most suitable loop for the purpose.</p> <p>Plenary: Assess learners' understanding of the role of the green flag in starting events, and that they can start more than one event at the same time.</p>
3	To develop a design that includes two or more loops which run at the same time	<p>Introduction: Assess learners' ability to read a code snippet and identify what will be repeated.</p> <p>Activity 1: Assess learners' ability to design an animation to include two or more loops running at the same time.</p> <p>Activity 2: Assess learners' ability to program an animation based on their designs.</p> <p>Activity 3: Assess learners' ability to reflect on their programs, considering how well they work.</p>
4	To modify an infinite loop in a given program	<p>Introduction: Assess whether learners know the difference between a count-controlled loop and an infinite loop.</p> <p>Activity 1: Assess the learners' ability to make connections between the design and the code.</p> <p>Activity 2: Assess the learners' ability to modify code for loops in a Scratch project.</p> <p>Activity 3: Assess the learners' ability to complete code based on the design. Can they reuse code for a new sprite?</p> <p>Plenary: Assess the learners' ability to explain the effects of their changes.</p>
5	To design a project that includes repetition	<p>Introduction: Assess the learners' ability to identify different elements of a game, and comment on why they are successful.</p> <p>Activity 1: Assess the learners' ability to use ideas from a given project to create their own designs and algorithms.</p>

		Activity 2: Assess the learners' ability to explain the effects of their changes to a partner, and make necessary adjustments in light of feedback and reflection.
6	To create a project that includes repetition	Introduction: Assess whether learners understand the function of each block in a code snippet. Activity 1: Assess learners' ability to translate their own designs and algorithms into code. Activity 2: Assess the way learners approach the task of debugging. Activity 3: Assess learners' ability to reflect on the steps involved in building their project.

Year group objectives for Computing – Year 5

Year 5 – Autumn 1 (Sharing information)

Session no.	Objective
1	To explain that computers can be connected together to form systems
2	To recognise the role of computer systems in our lives
3	To recognise how information is transferred over the internet
4	To explain how sharing information online lets people in different places work together
5	To contribute to a shared project online
6	To evaluate different ways of working together online

Year 5 – Autumn 2 (Vector drawing)

Session no.	Objective
1	To identify that drawing tools can be used to produce different outcomes
2	To create a vector drawing by combining shapes
3	To use tools to achieve a desired effect
4	To recognise that vector drawings consist of layers

5	To group objects to make them easier to work with
6	To apply what I have learned about vector drawings

Year 5 – Spring 1 (Video editing)

Session no.	Objective
1	To explain what makes a video effective
2	To use a digital device to record video
3	To capture video using a range of techniques
4	To create a storyboard
5	To identify that video can be improved through reshooting and editing
6	To consider the impact of the choices made when making and sharing a video

Year 5 – Spring 2 (Flat-file databases)

Session no.	Objective
1	To use a form to record information
2	To compare paper and computer-based databases
3	To outline how you can answer questions by grouping and then sorting data
4	To explain that tools can be used to select specific data
5	To explain that computer programs can be used to compare data visually
6	To use a real-world database to answer questions

Year 5 – Summer 1 (Vector graphics)

Session no.	Objective
1	To identify that drawing tools can be used to produce different outcomes
2	To create a vector drawing by combining shapes
3	To use tools to achieve a desired effect
4	To recognise that vector drawings consist of layers
5	To group objects to make them easier to work with
6	To apply what I have learned about vector drawings

Year 5 – Summer 2 (Selection in quizzes)

Session no.	Objective
1	To explain how selection is used in computer programs
2	To relate that a conditional statement connects a condition to an outcome
3	To explain how selection directs the flow of a program
4	To design a program that uses selection
5	To create a program that uses selection
6	To evaluate my program

Year group objectives for Computing – Year 6

Year 6 – Autumn 1 (Communication)

Session no.	Objective
1	To identify how to use a search engine
2	To describe how search engines select results
3	To explain how search results are ranked
4	To recognise why the order of results is important, and to whom
5	To recognise how we communicate using technology
6	To evaluate different methods of online communication

Year 6 – Autumn 2 (Webpage)

Session no.	Objective
1	To review an existing website and consider its structure
2	To plan the features of a web page
3	To consider the ownership and use of images (copyright)
4	To recognise the need to preview pages
5	To outline the need for a navigation path
6	To recognise the implications of linking to content owned by other people

Year 6 – Spring 1 (Variables)

Session no.	Objective
1	To define a 'variable' as something that is changeable
2	To explain why a variable is used in a program
3	To choose how to improve a game by using variables
4	To design a project that builds on a given example
5	To use my design to create a project
6	To evaluate my project

Year 6 – Spring 2 (Spreadsheets)

Session no.	Objective
1	To create a data set in a spreadsheet

2	To build a data set in a spreadsheet
3	To explain that formulas can be used to produce calculated data
4	To apply formulas to data
5	To create a spreadsheet to plan an event
6	To choose suitable ways to present data

Year 6 – Summer 1 (3d modelling)

Session no.	Objective
1	To use a computer to create and manipulate three-dimensional (3D) digital objects
2	To compare working digitally with 2D and 3D graphics
3	To construct a digital 3D model of a physical object
4	To identify that physical objects can be broken down into a collection of 3D shapes
5	To design a digital model by combining 3D objects
6	To develop and improve a digital 3D model

Year 6 – Summer 2 (Sensing)

Session no.	Objective
1	To create a program to run on a controllable device
2	To explain that selection can control the flow of a program
3	To update a variable with a user input
4	To use an conditional statement to compare a variable to a value
5	To design a project that uses inputs and outputs on a controllable device
6	To develop a program to use inputs and outputs on a controllable device