

Design Process



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Phase	Pro	ogression objectives	Vocabulary
EYFS	_	Discuss what a product does or needs to do	Tier 2
	_	Explore the qualities of a range of materials	explain, choose, make
	_	Make to create an outcome.	
	_	Explain why they chose their materials.	Tier 3
	_	Explain what they have made.	join, stick, cut, tear, glue, design, mix,
		,	spread, grow
Key	_	Work from a basic brief to generate ideas and design a simple product	Tier 2
Stage 1		fit for purpose and audience.	label, draw, selecting, model,
	_	Explore suitability of common materials before making a choice.	decorate, purpose, ideas
	_	Show awareness of some products similar to their design.	accorate, par pose, racas
	_	Develop ideas, communicating and recording them in a suitable way	Tier 3
		(e.g. design book, design page, IT, mind map)	planning, investigating, design,
	_	Make a simple mock-up.	evaluate, user, product, evaluate,
	_	Make a final product.	purpose, stitch, weave, mock-up
	_	Evaluate their final product – what went well? Did they follow the	parpose, street, weave, mock up
		brief?	
Lower		Work from a brief to design an appealing, functional product fit for	Tior 2
Lower	-	purpose and audience.	Tier 2
Key		·	investigate, annotate, appealing,
Stage 2	-	Explore some possible materials, conducting a simple test to ensure	research
		suitability before making a choice.	Tion 3
	-	Show awareness of products similar to their own.	Tier 3
	-	Develop an idea, communicating and recording it in a suitable way (e.g.	design criteria, template,
		annotated design page, diagrams, IT)	prototype, function, design brief,
	-	Perform basic tests, make simple prototypes/pattern pieces as	technique
		appropriate.	
	-	Create a final idea and translate this into a final product which fits the	
		brief.	
	-	Evaluate their final product – what went well? Did they follow the	
		brief? How could they improve their design?	
Upper	-	Work from a brief with a simple constraint (e.g. audience / purpose) to	Tier 2
Key		design an appealing, functional product.	innovative, constraint
Stage 2	-	Research a range of materials, conducting tests as appropriate before	
		selecting the best choice.	Tier 3
	-	Research products similar and different to their own to inform their	design decisions, functionality,
		own design.	aesthetic, design specification, source
	-	Develop a design idea, communicating and recording it via a plan and a	
		labelled diagram.	
	-	Test ideas using prototypes/creating pattern pieces and where	
		relevant computer aided design.	
	-	Develop and make a final product, based on testing, which meets the	
		brief criteria.	
	-	Evaluate their final product, including discussion amongst peers to	
		assess their product against the brief and consider improvements.	
Key	_	Create own brief from a given situation.	Tier 2
Stage 3	_	Produce a detailed design specification, identifying function, target	Analyse, appropriate, contrast,
		audience, aesthetics, style, material, cost and size considerations.	context, criteria, critique, describe,
	_	Carry out detailed research looking at material properties for a range	design brief, discuss, evaluate,
		of materials (e.g. fabrics, wood, metal, polymer & paper)	explain, function, justify, analysis,
	_	Identify a range of materials and suitability to a given purpose, based	summarise,
		on the material properties.	
	_		Tier 3
	_	Research and critically analyse areas necessary for design ideas /	
		product development e.g.	final design, purpose, product
	_	Analyse similar products for; function, target audience, aesthetics,	production plan, proposal,
		style, material, cost and size considerations / ingredients and methods	specification, task analysis, trend
		used.	
	-	The work of past and present designers,	

- Design influences themes -design movements / biomimicry.
- Size considerations etc
- Create a range of design proposals which meet given criteria (e.g. specification / target audience needs / cultures/ themes / dietary requirements etc).
- Design ideas drawn 3D, rendered and with detailed annotation, discussing materials and construction / ingredients and method.
- Review design ideas for suitability (against specification, target audience needs, environmental issues, dietary requirements etc).
- Use design idea testing to inform design development to create a suitable final design proposal.
- Create mock up models, templates, test dishes -using CAD as appropriate.
- Create a production plan (plan of making), identifying tools, equipment, ingredients, method as appropriate.
- Create a detailed final evaluation, reviewing tools and equipment used and skills developed, user testing of final product / dish, identify potential improvements.