

Progression of skills in History

Area of	Early Years	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
learning							
Historical Chronology	See knowledge and skills organisers	I know the difference between long ago and now. I can compare modern and old objects; put 2 objects or events in order. I know my life is different from the lives of people in the past.	I know where the people and events I have studied fit on a basic timeline. I can tell you similarities and differences between ways of life at different times. I can name a few people in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements. I can put a few objects/events in order.	I can understand that the past is divided into different periods or time, and begin to name some. I can place events, people and changes of British, local and world history, on a timeline. I can put artefacts or information in chronological order.	I can understand that the past is divided into differently names periods of time and use some dates to explain British, local and world history. I can place events, people and changes of British, local and world history, on a timeline, using appropriate dates/chronological conventions eg BC, BCE and AD. I can put artefacts or information in chronological order.	I can demonstrate a some knowledge of chronological narrative, knowledge and understanding of Britain's past and the wider world. I am beginning to show a chronically secure knowledge and understanding of local, national and global history. I can tell the story of events within and across the time periods I have studied. I can identify specific changes across different time periods.	I can demonstrate a coherent chronological narrative, knowledge and understanding of Britain's past and the wider world. I show a chronically secure knowledge and understanding of local, national and global history. I can tell the story of events within and across the time periods I have studied. I can identify specific changes across different time periods over a long arc of development. I can describe connections, contrasts and trends over short and longer time periods.

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	I have begun to	I have begun go	I can identify	I can give some	I can give a few	To begin to understand	To understand
Historical	understand how	understand how	similarities and	reasons for the	reasons for the results	historical concepts	historical concepts
Concepts	things change over	things change over	differences between	results of the main	of the main events and	cause and	cause and
Concepts	time.	time.	different times.	events and changes	changes of a time	consequence,	consequence,
				of a time studied.	studied.	continuity, change,	continuity, change,
	I can recall some	I can recall some	I can tell you about			similarity, difference	similarity, difference
	simple facts.	simple facts.	some of the people	I am beginning to	I can make a few	etc.	etc.
			or events from my	make a few	connections and		
	I am beginning to	I can give one cause	work.	connections and	contrasts eg change,	I understand change	I understand change
	discuss the order of	of an event.		contrasts eg change,	cause, similarity,	and continuity.	and continuity.
	events.		l can give you more	cause, similarity,	difference and		
		I can put 2 events	than one cause of an	difference and	significance.	I can question change,	I devise questions
		or objects in order	event and give my	significance.		cause, difference,	about change, cause,
		and compare them.	reason why people in		I can tell you a range of	similarity and	difference, similarity
			the past acted as	I can tell you some of	similarities/differences	significance in a wider	and significance in a
			they did.	similarities/differenc	between different	context.	wider context.
				es between different	times in the past in		
				times in the past in	periods covered so far.	I am beginning to	I understand the
				periods covered so		understand the	complexity of people's
				far.		complexity of people's	lives in the past and
						lives in the past and	how some societies
						how some societies are	are very different due
						very different due to	to changes or
						changes or challenges	challenges at the time.
						at the time.	chanenges at the time.
							I can discuss trends
						I can see trends over	over time.
						time.	
							I can see the
						I can see the	relationship between
						relationship between	different periods and
						different periods and	the legacy or impacts
						the legacy.	for me and my
							identity.
Historical	I can tell the past is	I know some of the	I understand some of	I am starting to think	To think critically,	To start to think	To think critically,
	different from	ways in which we	the ways in which we	critically, weigh	weigh evidence, sift	critically and debate	weigh evidence, sift
Interpretati	today.	find out about the	find out about the	evidence, sift	arguments and	ideas.	arguments, develop
on		past.	past.	arguments and	develop perspective		perspective and
	I may be able to	F		develop perspective	and judgement.	I can explain that the	judgement.
	give my own view	l can tell you a few	I can tell you a few	and judgement.		past can be	Jaabemene
	on why something	ways how the past	ways how the past		I can describe how the	represented or	I can explain that the
	on why something	has been described.	ways now the past		past can be	interpreted differently.	past can be
					past call be	interpreted unterently.	past can be

	happened in the past or how I know.	I am developing the skills of presenting an idea and raising questions about the past.	has been presented or described. I am able to reflect on the significance of what I have learnt about the past. I am developing the skills of presenting an idea and raising questions about the past.	I can describe how the past can be represented in a few different ways.	represented or interpreted in a few different ways.	I am becoming aware of different views about people and events studied and can give some reasons why different versions of the past exist.	represented or interpreted in many different ways. I am aware of different vews about people and events studied and can give some reasons why different versions of the past exist. I can evaluate and carefully select from a range of historical sources to find relevant historical information. I consider different viewpoints or think about possible bias or anachronism.
Historical Enquiry	I show an interest in the past. I begin to ask questions about artefacts, suggesting what they might be used for.	I can ask questions about artefacts. I might be able to investigate questions to find answers. I can use parts of stories to show I know and understand key features of events or people's lives which I have studied.	I can ask and answer questions about artefacts. I might be able to investigate questions to find answers. I can choose and use parts of stories and other sources of information to show I know and understand key features of events or people's lives which I have studied.	I can answer historically valid questions. I can use sources of information to help me answer questions about the past in sentences.	I can answer and sometimes devise my own historically valid questions. I can use one or more sources of information to help me answer questions about the past in sentences.	I understand the methods of historical enquiry. I can answer and devise my own historically valid questions. I know how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources.	I understand the methods of historical enquiry, knowing how evidence is used rigorously to make historical claims. I can answer and devise my own historically valid questions. I make perceptive deductions about the reliability of sources. I know how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a

Historical	I show awareness	l use common	l use common words	I can present recalled	I can present recalled	I can create my own	range of sources and can select and organise relevant historical information from a range of historical sources. I can create my own
Communica tion	of the past. I use words such as yesterday and past. I can tell you about the past in 1 way (Eg orally, using common words and phrases.)	words and phrases relating to passing of time. I can tell you about a time before I was born. I can recount stories accurately and explain why some people and events were important.	and phrases relating to passing of time. I can tell you about a time before I was born and can compare aspects of life in different periods linked to significant people or people I know in different ways using every day historical terms. I can recount stories accurately and explain why some people and events were important.	or selected information in a variety of ways. I can write sentences to describe some of the main events, people and changes in the history of Britain and the wider world. I am beginning to use place value in the context of timelines.	or selected information in a variety of ways using specialist terms. I can write sentences or a paragraph to describe some of the main events, people and changes in the history of Britain and the wider world. I am beginning to use place value in the context of timelines.	structured accounts, including written narratives. I can use key historical terms accurately e.g century, decade in structured, informed, written responses. I make pertinent and valid comparisons between periods. I am beginning to use/apply mathematical skills when placing events in chronological order, using place value, negative nos etc.	structured accounts, including written narratives and analyses. I can use key historical terms accurately e.g century, decade in structured, informed, written responses or descriptions of the main features of past societies/periods. I make pertinent and valid comparisons between periods. I confidently use/apply mathematical skills when placing events in chronological order,