

English: Writing

In Year 2, we are looking at different text types. Any opportunity your child has for writing, will be beneficial. We have covered some different text types, but here are some suggestions for them to be getting on with at home.

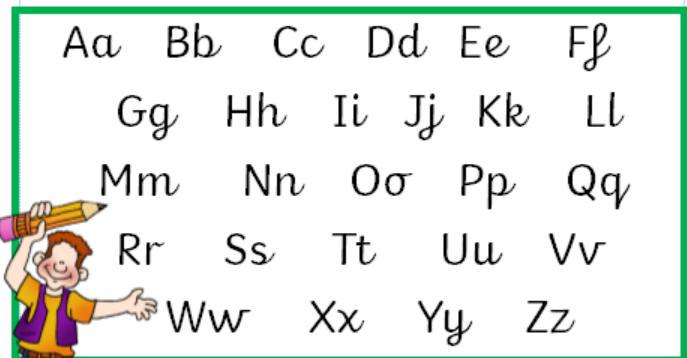
Text Type:	Link to learning:
Narrative (story)	An adventure they have been on
Letter	To write to me about a day they have spent at home or a different home Sunny found
Diary	Pretending to be Christopher Columbus or Neil Armstrong out on an adventure
Biography	Neil Armstrong, Christopher Columbus, Florence Nightingale
Recount	About one of their favourite days in school or about a day they have had
Book Review	About Meerkat Mail or a book they are reading at home.

Non Negotiables

In Year 2, children are expected to write in full sentences using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. Their sentences should make sense. Proof reading is incredibly important to support the eliminating of errors from their writing.

Their handwriting should be neat, and have joining strokes.

These may support the children with their writing:



Success Criteria	
Capital Letters for people and places	
Letter Formation	
Finger Spaces	
Full Stops	



Year 2 Expectations

Children are expected to use conjunctions (joining words) in their writing. There are two different types.

Coordinating Conjunctions: (FANBOYS).

These join two ideas together.

Children are expected to use the circled conjunctions.

For

But

And


Or


Yet


Nor

So

Here is the layout of the sentence.

Simple sentence 

Coordinating conjunction 

Comma 

Simple sentence, conjunction simple sentence.

Some examples:

1. Neil Armstrong went to the moon, and he planted a flag.
2. Hannah went to the park, but she forgot to take her warm coat.
3. Christopher Columbus went sailed west to Asia, so he could find riches.



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Subordinating Conjunctions

These join two ideas together. Children are expected to use:

Subordinating conjunctions...

when

if

because

after

before

First idea subordinating
conjunction second idea.

First idea	■
Subordinating conjunction	■
Second idea	■

Examples:

1. Christopher Columbus took 90 men when he was sailing to Asia.
2. Neil Armstrong became a pilot before he could drive a car.
3. Sunny finally found the perfect place to live after he search for a long time.



Spelling!

Here are a list of the Year 1 and 2 spelling words.

You could get your children to learn 10 spellings and then test them. They could then try to put them into some sentences.

New Curriculum Spelling Lists Years 1 and 2

the	come	go	mind	clothes	past	sugar
a	some	so	floor	cold	father	could
do	one	by	because	gold	class	would
to	once	my	kind	hold	water	sure
today	ask	here	behind	told	again	eye
of	friend	there	whole	every	grass	should
said	school	where	any	great	pass	who
says	put	love	child	break	plant	Mr
your	are	push	wild	steak	path	Mrs
they	were	pull	most	busy	bath	parents
be	was	full	both	people	hour	Christmas
he	is	house	children	pretty	move	everybody
me	his	our	climb	beautiful	prove	even
she	has	door	only	after	half	
we	I	poor	old	fast	money	
no	you	find	many	last	improve	

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Useful Websites



Literacy Shed

<https://www.literacyshed.com/home.html>

Use this website to give your child an idea for a piece of writing. There are lots of different 'sheds' and at the bottom they give you ideas for writing.

Useful websites are:

Oxford Owl (KS1) <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

Teach your monster to read (Reception- Y2) <https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/>

ICT Runway (Y1) <https://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/writingRunway/index.html>

BBC Bitesize (Reception-Y6) <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

British Library (Reception -Y6) <https://www.bl.uk/>

WordMania (An app for KS2)

Phonics Play (Reception - Year 2) <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

ICTGames (Reception - Y6) <http://www.ictgames.com/>

LoveReading4Kids (Reception-Y6) <https://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk/>

Change for Life website (Reception-Y6) <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life>

