Springfield Progression of Vocabulary and Skills in History



HISTORY	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Chronological understanding	* Sequence events in their life * Sequence 3 or 4 artefacts from distinctly different periods of time * Match objects to people of different ages	* Sequence artefacts closer together in time - check with reference book * Sequence photographs etc. from different periods of their life * Describe memories of	* Place the time studied on a time line * Use dates and terms related to the study unit and passing of time * Sequence several events or artefacts	* Place events from period studied on time line * Use terms related to the period and begin to date events * Understand more complex terms eg BC/AD	* Know and sequence key events of time studied * Use relevant terms and period labels * Make comparisons between different times in the past	* Place current study on time line in relation to other studies * Use relevant dates and terms * Sequence up to 10 events on a time line
Range and depth of historical knowledge	* Recognise the difference between past and present in their own and others lives * They know and recount episodes from stories about the past	* Recognise why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result * Identify differences between ways of life at different times	* Find out about every day lives of people in time studied * Compare with our life today * Identify reasons for and results of people's actions * Understand why people may have wanted to do something	* Use evidence to reconstruct life in time studied * Identify key features and events of time studied * Look for links and effects in time studied * Offer a reasonable explanation for some events	* Study different aspects of different people - differences between men and women * Examine causes and results of great events and the impact on people * Compare life in early and late 'times' studied * Compare an aspect of lie with the same aspect in another period	* Find out about beliefs, behaviour and characteristics of people, recognising that not everyone shares the same views and feelings * Compare beliefs and behaviour with another time studied * Write another explanation of a past event in terms of cause and effect using evidence to support and illustrate their explanation * Know key dates, characters and events of time studied
Interpretations of history	* Use stories to encourage children to distinguish between fact and fiction * Compare adults talking about the past – how reliable are their memories?	* Compare 2 versions of a past event * Compare pictures or photographs of people or events in the past * Discuss reliability of photos/accounts/stories	* Identify and give reasons for different ways in which the past is represented * Distinguish between different sources — compare different versions of the same story * Look at representations of the period — museum, cartoons etc	* Look at the evidence available * Begin to evaluate the usefulness of different sources * Use text books and historical knowledge	* Compare accounts of events from different sources – fact or fiction * Offer some reasons for different versions of events	* Link sources and work out how conclusions were arrived at * Consider ways of checking the accuracy of interpretations — fact or fiction and opinion * Be aware that different evidence will lead to different conclusions * Confidently use the library and internet for research

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Historical enquiry	* Find answers to simple	* Use a source – observe	* Use a range of sources	* Use evidence to build up	* Begin to identify	* Recognise primary and			
riistoricai eriquii y	questions about the past	or handle sources to	to find	a picture of a past event	primary and	secondary sources			
	from sources of	answer questions about	out about a period	* Choose relevant	secondary sources	* Use a range of sources			
	information e.g. artefacts	the past on the basis of	* Observe small details –	material to present a	* Use evidence to build up	to find out about an aspect			
	l e.g. ar ceraes	simple observations.	artefacts,	picture of one aspect	a picture of a past event	of time past			
		Simple observations.	pictures	of life in time past	* Select relevant sections	* Suggest omissions and			
			* Select and record	* Ask a variety of	of information	the means of finding out			
			information	questions	* Use the library and	* Bring knowledge			
			relevant to the study	* Use the library and	internet for research with	gathered from several			
			* Begin to use the library	internet for research	increasing confidence	sources together in a			
			and internet for research			fluent account			
Organisation and	* Communicate their			* Recall, select and organise	historical information	* Select and organise			
communication	knowledge through:			* Communicate their knowledge and understanding.		information			
Communication	Discussion					to produce structured			
	Drawing pictures					work, making appropriate			
	Drama/role play					use of dates and terms.			
	Making models								
	Writing								
	Using ICT								
Vocabulary	Here, now, then, yesterday, last week, last year, long		X years ago, in 1939, during the reign of, during the		Pre 1066, post 1066, X million years ago, X billion years				
Passing of time.	time ago, present, past		war, towards the end of the Roman empire,		ago, After/before the millennia				
r doomig or annot			throughout the Egyptian period						
A4	Hours, weeks, years, decades, centuries		AD, BC, , eras						
Measuring of time					Epochs, ACE, BCE, millennia				
	artefact, calendar, church, change, King, Queen, local,		Ancient Civilisations, archaeology, aristocracy, Bronze						
Abstract terms	museum, myths, legends, nation, oral history,		Age, conquest, chronology, Christianity, continuity,		treason, traitor, torture, sacrifice, republic, primary				
	parliament.		discovery, diversity, emperor, global, gods, goddesses, heresay, hunter-gatherer, international, interpretation,		evidence, secondary evidence, execution, empire, democracy, missionary, monastery, colony, crusades,				
			Iron Age, rebellion, revolt, settler, slave, significance		explorer				
Concepts	Continuity, change, cause and consequence; similarity, difference and significance.								