Progression of skills in History

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
N/A	 Sequence 3 or 4 artefacts (or photos of artefacts) Find answers to simple questions about the past from sources of information e.g. artefacts (or photos of artefacts) Distinguish between fact an fiction 	 Use a source – observe or handle sources to answer questions about the past on the basis of simple observations. Sequence artefacts (or photos of artefacts) closer together in time 		 life in time studied Look at the evidence available Begin to evaluate the usefulness of different sources Use text books and historica knowledge 		 Place current study on time line in relation to other studies Use relevant dates and term Sequence up to 10 events of a time line 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 Link sources and work out how conclusions were arrive 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 Recognise primary and secondary sources Use a range of sources to find out about an aspect of time past Suggest omissions and the means of finding out Bring knowledge gathered from several sources together in a fluent account Select and organise information to produce structured work, making appropriate use of dates and term

 Shows interest in the lives of people who are familiar to them. 30-50 months Remembers and talks about significant events in their own experience. 30-50 months Recognises and describes special times or events for family or friends. 30-50 months Shows interest in different occupations and ways of life. 30-50 months Knows some of the things that make them unique, and can talk about some of the similarities and differences in relation to friends or family. 30-50 months Enjoys joining in with family customs and routines. 40-60 months 	 of artefacts) closer together in time – Identify differences between ways of life at different times Identify differences between ways of life at different times Compare pictures or photographs of people or events in the past Discuss reliability of photos/ accounts/stories Use a source – observe or 	 Place the time studied on a timeline Use dates and terms related to the study unit and passing of time Sequence several events Identify reasons for and results of people's actions Use a range of sources to find out about a period Observe small details – artefacts (or photos of artefacts), pictures Identify and give reasons for different ways in which the past is represented Distinguish between different sources – compare different versions of the same story 	 Understand more complex terms eg BC/AD Place events from period studied on a timeline Use terms related to the period and begin to date events Use evidence to reconstruct life in time studied Look at the evidence available Begin to evaluate the usefulness of different sources Use text books and historical knowledge Use evidence to build up a picture of a past event Choose relevant material to present a picture of one aspect of life in time past Ask a variety of questions Use the library and internet for research 	 Make comparisons between different times in the past Know and sequence key events of the time studied Use relevant terms and period labels Compare accounts of events from different sources – fact or fiction Offer some reasons for different versions of events Begin to identify primary and secondary sources Use evidence to build up a picture of a past event Select relevant sections of information Use the library and internet for research with increasing confidence Recall, select and organise historical information 	 Place current study on time line in relation to other studies Use relevant dates and terms 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 Recognise primary and secondary sources Use a range of sources to find out about an aspect of time past Suggest omissions and the means of finding out Bring knowledge gathered from several sources together in a fluent account Select and organise information to produce structured work, making appropriate use of dates and term
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- Use relevant dates and terms
- Sequence up to 10 events on a time line
- 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
- 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
- Recognise primary and secondary sources
- Use a range of sources to find out about an aspect of time past
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