History Skills and Vocabulary Progression

Reception

Intent – aims and vocabulary

Implementation

Unit	Key Knowledge	Vocabulary
 Peek into the Past – 5 activities Reflect on memories and experiences from their own past Comment on images of familiar situations in the past Look for similarities and differences between photos, images and objects from the past and the present day 	 To know That some photos and drawings represent the past Some language for talking about the passing of time and events that have already happened, even if used inaccurately That they started as a baby but have since grown and changed That someone's age is the time since they were born 	A long time ago After Baby Before Change Child Different History I remember New Now Old Order Past Photograph Present Similar Then Toddler When I was little
EYFS Outcomes		
Unit	Key Knowledge	

 Adventures through time – 5 activities Children compare and contrast characters from various stories in the past Identify similarities and differences between characters, enhancing their understanding of the past 	 The environment around us changes as time passes Names of people that are significant to their own lives Stories and books can tell us about the past In fairy tales, Kings/queens are usually important, powerful people who rule over others
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Year 1 - substantive concepts vocab highlighted in red

Year 1	Autumn	Vocabulary
	 How am I making History? 6 lessons Look at personal chronology Find out about the past within living memory Examine photos and ask questions Look at a simple timeline that extends to before they were born 	Siblings Parent Grandparent Great grandparent Childhood Time capsule
Year 1	Spring	Vocabulary

	 How have toys changed? 6 I To be able to sequence to Investigate artefacts from Know how teddy bears hat 'Interview' a teddy bear Consider what toys may be 	ys on a timeline the past and pose quive changed	uestions	Toy Wooden Plastic Metal mohair		
Year 1	Summer			Vocabulary		
	 How have explorers change Know about events and p Focus on explorers – what Create a timeline Investigate which parts of Compare exploration in th Discuss ways in which sign 	eople beyond living n t makes them signific the world were expl ne past with explorati	nemory ant? ored on today	ExplorationNAchievementreDiscoverydegreeTransportq	olo orth Pole esilience etermination ualities oat of arms	
Historical Enqu	liry		Chronological /	Awareness		
Ask Investigate Explain Questions Artefacts Object Sort Group	photograph similar/similarity different/difference change same event remember memory	compare/comparison interview celebration special	Morning Afternoon Evening Order Now Present Past Recent	date before today tomorrow last week/month/year/day memory within living memory beyond living memory	modern after long ago timeline y lifetime future old new	sequence

Year 2 - substantive concepts vocab highlighted in red

Year 2	Autumn	Vocabulary
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	 How was school different in the past? 6 lessons Understand that although schools have been in the local area for a long time, that they have not always been the same Identifying historical similarities and differences Using a range of sources to recognise continuity between children's lives past and present 	School log book Textbook Blackboard Abacus Slate Chalk Pen and ink	stove
Year 2	Spring	Vocabulary	
	 How did we learn to fly? 6 lessons Develop knowledge of events beyond living memory Reinforce chronological understanding by looking at significant events in the history of flight on a timeline Learn about the individuals who contributed to the history of flight 	Inventor flight	
Year 2	Summer	Vocabulary	
	 What is a monarch? 6 lessons Find out about the role of a monarch Compare the monarchy today with the monarchy in the past Investigate how William the Conqueror became King and learn how he used castles to rule Study different types of castles and consider how these evolved over time 	Monarch Power Ruler Absolute monarchy Anointing Armed forces Attack Bailey Battle Battlements Bayeux Tapestry Ceremony Concentric castle	constitutional monarchy conquer coronation crowning defend earl fortified manor house gatehouse government head of state invade investing keep

Historical Enquiry	Chronological Awareness
Sources	Decade
Primary source	Anglo-saxon
Evidence	
Contrast	
Historic	
Historically significant	
Eye witness	
Eye witness account	

Year 3 - substantive concepts vocab highlighted in red

Year 3	Autumn – British History 1	Vocabulary	
	 Would you prefer to live in the Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age? 6 lessons Look at chronology of mankind Introduction to Britain's story Use archaeological evidence to find out about the Stone Age, Bronze and Iron Age 	Skara Brae, Orkney IslandsexpoHearthexchaSettlementgoodFlintbarterRoundhouseChiefMetal work – copper, bronze, gold, tinMiningTrade (job)Trade (job)Trade (buying and selling goods)Arrowheadsimport	ange s
Year 3	Spring – British History 2	Vocabulary	

	 Why did the Romans settle in Britain? 6 lesson Investigate why Romans invaded Britain Investigate the reaction of the Celts How did romans change life in Britain? 	ns	Briton Romans Celts Enslaved Tin Togas Settlers Picts Pilum Galea Armour	scutum caligae gladius tunic legionary legion legatus cohort century centurion formation	testudo wedge tablet aqueduct state legal system
Year 3	Summer		Vocabulary		
	 What did Ancient Egyptians believe? 6 lessons Find out about Egyptian beliefs Make inferences about the afterlife using prima Investigate pyramids, gods and goddesses Investigate mummified people to identify Egypt Create a video clip to summarise findings Discuss ways in which significant people are remained or provide the standard provide the	ary sources tian beliefs membered	Civilisation Delta Egypt Lower Egypt Upper Egypt River Nile Delta Atum Creation story Horus Isis Nun Osiris Ankh Anubis Book of the Dea	hieroglyphs papyrus weighing of the Skemet Ra Casing stones Pharaoh foundations limestone bloc pulley pyramid quarrying ramps amulet canopic jars ad embalmer	preserve resin sarcophagus
Historical Enquir	-	Chronological Aw			
Secondary source	criteria	AD – Anno Domini	d	uration	

Remains	interpretation	BC – Before Christ	Old Kingdom
Certainty	inference	Period	Middle Kingdom
Possibility	observation	Prehistory	Late period
Confirm	deduction	Prehistoric	Ptolemaic period
Prove	legacy	Palaeolithic	chronology
Informed guess		Mesolithic	
Archaeological evidence		Neolithic	
Reconstructions		Stone Age	
Continuity		Bronze Age	
Historical significance		Iron Age	

Year 4 - substantive concepts vocab highlighted in red

Year 4	Autumn	Vocabulary	
	 How have children's lives changed? 6 lessons Investigate the changes in children's lives through time Learn how spare time, children's health and work have changed Explore work in more detail Learn about the day in the life of a working child Learn about the significance of Lord Shaftesbury and his impact on school and working conditions 	Apprentice/apprenticeship Master Occupation Politicians Parliament Poverty Ragged schools Life expectancy Plague Living conditions Sanitation Working conditions Working hours Factory owners Chaffing wheat The Coal Mines Act	oath mine/miner/mining trapper bird scarer hurrier servant housemaid wealthy wages textile mill bill pass (pass a bill) reform act The Factory Act

		The Chimney Sweepers Act		
Year 4	Spring – British History 3	Vocabulary		
	 How hard was it to invade and settle in Britain? 6 lessons Develop an understanding of why people invaded and settled Learn about Anglo-Saxon beliefs Learn about the spread of Christianity Assess the contribution of the Anglo-Saxons to modern Britain 	Saxons Jutes Picts Invasion Britons Romans Empire Longships Wattle and daub Wessex Claimants Kingdom	Kent peasants villages thatch straw hut cauldron Battle of Edington Danelaw leadership qualities Sutton Hoo burial mound Christianity missionaries Pope	
Year 4	Summer – British History 4	Vocabulary		
	 Were the Vikings raiders, traders or settlers? 6 lessons Investigate whether the Vikings were raiders, traders or settlers Make boats to see if the Vikings were engineers Explore cause and consequence Make deductions from sources Identify the author's viewpoint & explain how this impacts the accuracy of the source 	Trader Engineer Raider Anglo-Saxon chronicle Ballast Hull Keel Mast Longboat Oars	Hedeby Jorvik quernstone e Danelaw paganism sacred	

		Rudder	
		garnet	
Historical Enquiry		Chronological Awareness	
Observation	viewpoint	Tudor period (1485 – 1603)	
Inference	perspective	Victorian period (1837 – 1901)	
Deduction	cause	Anglo -Saxons (410 – 1066)	
Life expectancy	consequence	Vikings (800 – 1066)	
Significant	events		
Propaganda	impact		
Evaluate	conclusion	clusion	
Rank	enquiry		
Bias	supporting evidence		
One-sided	credibility	credibility	
balanced			

Year 5 - substantive concepts vocab highlighted in red

Year 5	Autumn – British History 5	Vocabulary	
	 What was life like in Tudor England? 7 lessons Compare Henry 8th and Elizabeth 1st to learn about the changing nature of the monarchy Examine how monarchs try to control their public image Look at Tudor inventories to investigate whether people were rich or poor Learn about what life was like for people in Tudor times 	House of Lancaster town clerk	

		Procession Trading laws Court shilling	free enslaved tournament
Year 5	 Spring – British History 6 What was the impact of WW2 on British People? 7 lessons Learn how WW2 changed British society Learn about the different reasons Britain went to war in 1939 Investigate the experiences of families during the Blitz Use a range of new sources available to them Construct feelings of those living on the home front Consider how migrants helped the war effort 	Vocabulary Appeasement Treaty of Versailles Reparations Allies Disarm Debt Unrest Prosperity RAF Luftwaffe Sorties Operation Sealion Bomb aimer Scramble The Blitz Air raid shelter	Anderson Shelter blackout evacuation Woman's Auxiliary Air Force Women's Royal Naval Service Air Transport Auxiliary Auxiliary Territorial Service Special Operations Executive Women's Land Army Women's Liberation Movement
Year 5	SummerWhat did the Greeks ever do for us? 6 lessons• Investigate the city-states of Athens and Sparta• Identify similarities and differences between them• Learn about democracy• Assess the legacy of the Ancient Greeks	Vocabulary Mediterranean Sea Aegean Sea Ionian Sea Mount Olympus Zeus Hera Aphrodite	democracy oligarchy location city-state Athens Sparta landlocked

			Poseidon Demeter Athena Apollo Artemis Hephaestus Hermes Dionysus	assembly direct democracy representative democracy philosophy formula ethics logic legacy impact
Historical Enquiry		Chronological .	Awareness	
Church records Court records Records from places of work Factory records Enumeration books Trustworthy Death records Reliability Census Audience Purpose Accuracy Creator	criteria significance official record justify opinion historical investigation link interpretation will inventory	No new vocabula	rγ	

Year 6 - substantive concepts vocab highlighted in red

Year 6	Autumn	Vocabulary
	How did the Maya civilisation compare to the Anglo-Saxons?	Abandon
	6 lessons	Classic Period

Year 6	 Extend knowledge of civilisations by comparing and contrasting Maya to Britons Develop their chronological awareness of how the Maya fit into the timeline of mankind Learn about the achievements of the Maya and contrast to the experience of the Anglo-Saxons in Britain at the same time Deepen their understanding of the growth of Empires and understanding why the Mayan Empire declined Spring How have historic communities shaped our modern-day legal system? 6 lessons Understand about the legacy of Roman crime and punishment on the current legal system in Britain Learn about the Anglo Saxon system and the differences with the Roman system and the modern legal system Learn about the Tudor era with ref to the legal system Discover information about Dick Turpin through various historical sources Learn about Victorian prisons Bring together all the above knowledge and compare with modern day Britain 	Decline Deforestation Drought Hieroglyphics Pyramid Rainforest Slash and burn Tropical rainforest Vocabulary Bobbies/peelers Deterrent Execution Highwaymen Humiliation Judge Jury Ordeal punishment Trial Mutilation exile
Year 6	SummerWhat does the census tell us about our local area? 6 lessonsInvestigate local history during the Victorian periodCarry out an enquiry using census and factory records	VocabularyHead of the householdflaxTitleyarnScholarlinenEnumeratornobbins

	 Learn about changes to a family over a period of time and sugreasons for the changes Link these changes to national events Plan their own historical enquiry by researching a local fam street 	Cotton millworker Overlooked	severance pay compensation income workhouse suffragette governess	
Historical Enquiry Chronologica		cal Awareness	wareness	
Reliability	No new vocab	pulary		
Criteria				
Significance				
Death records				