

Progression and expectations in English Vocabulary.

- Children should be using the correct English vocabulary from previous year groups as well as learning and using the correct vocabulary for their current year group.
- There is a wide range of English vocabulary which will vary depending on the genre being read or taught. The following list shows terminology children are expected to use when discussing grammatical techniques.
- It is important that children understand the terms and can explain and define what they mean. This could be linked to your reading (and English) objectives and lessons where applicable.

Reception		
phoneme	grapheme	Digraph
trigraph	word	Sentence
Capital letter	Full stop	

Year 1		
suffix	prefix	sentence
letter	capital letter	word
singular	plural	punctuation
Full stop	Question mark	Exclamation mark

Year 2			
noun	Noun phrase	Statement	
question	exclamation	Command	
compound	suffix	adjective	
adverb	verb	Tense (past,present)	
apostrophe	comma	Possessive verb	
Year 3			
preposition	conjunction	Word family	
preposition prefix		Word family Subordinate clause	
· ·	conjunction	-	
prefix	conjunction clause	Subordinate clause	



Year 4			
determiner	pronoun	Possessive pronoun	
adverbial	Fronted adverbial	Plural possession	
Commas for clauses	Main clause	Subordinate clause	
Modifying adjective	Possessive apostrophe	Reporting clause	
Reported clause	Standard English		
Year 5			
Modal verb	Relative pronoun	Relative clause	
parenthesis	bracket	Dash	
cohesion	ambiguity	clarify	

Year 6			
subject	object	active	
passive	synonym	Antonym	
ellipsis	hyphen	colon	
Semi-colon	Bullet points	Cohesive devices	
Subjunctive form	Informal/formal	formality	