

MPPS Y2 Writing Progression Statements

Working towards the expected standard in Y2
write sentences that are sequenced to form a short narrative (real or fictional)
demarcate some sentences with capital letters and full stops
segment spoken words into phonemes and represent these by graphemes, spelling some words correctly and making phonically-plausible attempts at others
spell some Year 1 and some Year 2 common exception words
form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place
form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another in some of their writing
using spacing between words
Working at the expected standard in Y2
write simple, coherent narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real or fictional) ^[SEP]
write about real events, recording these simply and clearly ^[SEP]
demarcate most sentences in their writing with capital letters and full stops, and use ^[SEP] question marks correctly when required ^[SEP]
use present and past tense mostly correctly and consistently, e.g. <i>I was</i> (not <i>I were</i>)
use co-ordination (e.g. or / and / but) and some subordination (e.g. when / if / that / because) to join clauses ^[SEP]
segment spoken words into phonemes and represent these by graphemes, spelling many of these words correctly and making phonically-plausible attempts at others ^[SEP]
Spell many of the Year 1 and many Year 2 common exception words
form capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one ^[SEP] another and to lower-case letters ^[SEP]
use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters ^[SEP]
demarcate sentences with exclamation marks, commas in lists, apostrophes for contraction and apostrophes for singular possession
use expanded noun phrases for description
know the difference between a statement, question, exclamation and command
Working at greater depth in Y2
write effectively and coherently for different purposes, drawing on their reading to inform the vocabulary and grammar of their writing
make simple additions, revisions and proof-reading corrections to their own writing ^[SEP]
use the punctuation taught at key stage 1 mostly correctly (capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks, commas in a list, apostrophe for contraction and singular possession) ^[SEP]
spell most common exception words
add suffixes to spell most words correctly in their writing ^[SEP] (e.g. –ment, –ness, –ful, less, –ly)*
use the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join some letters

Year 2 POS	Pupils should be taught to
Writing Transcription - Spelling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • spell by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ segmenting spoken words into phonemes and representing these by graphemes, spelling many correctly ○ learning new ways of spelling phonemes for which 1 or more spellings are already known, and learn some words with each spelling, including a few common homophones ○ learning to spell common exception words ○ learning to spell more words with contracted forms ○ learning the possessive apostrophe (singular) [for example, the girl’s book] ○ distinguishing between homophones and near-homophones • add suffixes to spell longer words including –ment, –ness, –ful, –less, –ly • apply spelling rules and guidance, as listed in English appendix 1 • write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher that include words using the GPCs, common exception words and punctuation taught so far
Writing Transcription	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another • start using some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters and understand

- Handwriting	<p>which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower-case letters • use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters
Writing – Composition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ writing narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real and fictional) ○ writing about real events ○ writing poetry ○ writing for different purposes • consider what they are going to write before beginning by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ planning or saying out loud what they are going to write about ○ writing down ideas and/or key words, including new vocabulary ○ encapsulating what they want to say, sentence by sentence • make simple additions, revisions and corrections to their own writing by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ evaluating their writing with the teacher and other pupils ○ rereading to check that their writing makes sense and that verbs to indicate time are used correctly and consistently, including verbs in the continuous form ○ proofreading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation (for example, ends of sentences punctuated correctly) • read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear
Writing – Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • develop their understanding of the concepts set out in English appendix 2 by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ learning how to use both familiar and new punctuation correctly - see English appendix 2, including full stops, capital letters, exclamation marks, question marks, commas for lists and apostrophes for contracted forms and the possessive (singular) ○ learn how to use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command ○ expanded noun phrases to describe and specify [for example, the blue butterfly] ○ the present and past tenses correctly and consistently, including the progressive form ○ subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but) ○ the grammar for year 2 in English appendix 2 ○ some features of written Standard English • use and understand the grammatical terminology in English appendix 2 in discussing their writing

Appendix 2 (Year 2 Content)

Word Formation of **nouns** using **suffixes** such as *-ness, -er* and by compounding [for example, *whiteboard, superman*]

Formation of **adjectives** using **suffixes** such as *-ful, -less* (A fuller list of **suffixes** can be found in the year 2 spelling section in English Appendix 1)

Use of the **suffixes** *-er, -est* in **adjectives** and the use of *-ly* in Standard English to turn adjectives into **adverbs**

Sentence Subordination (using *when, if, that, because*) and **co-ordination** (using *or, and, but*)

Expanded **noun phrases** for description and specification [for example, *the blue butterfly, plain flour, the man in the moon*]

How the grammatical patterns in a sentence indicate its function as a statement, question, exclamation or command

Text Correct choice and consistent use of **present tense** and **past tense** throughout writing

Use of the **progressive** form of **verbs** in the **present** and **past tense** to mark actions in progress [for example, *she is drumming, he was shouting*]

Punctuation Use of capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate **sentences**

Commas to separate items in a list

Apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and to mark singular possession in nouns [for example,

the girl's name]

Terminology noun, noun phrase statement, question, exclamation, command compound, suffix, adjective, adverb, verb, tense (past, present), apostrophe, comma

Statutory requirements	Rules and guidance (non-statutory)	Example words (non-statutory)
The /dʒ/ sound spelt as ge and dge at the end of words, and sometimes spelt as g elsewhere in words before e, i and y	The letter j is never used for the /dʒ/ sound at the end of English words. At the end of a word, the /dʒ/ sound is spelt -dge straight after the /æ/, /ɛ/, /ɪ/, /ɒ/, /ʌ/ and /ʊ/ sounds (sometimes called 'short' vowels). After all other sounds, whether vowels or consonants, the /dʒ/ sound is spelt as -ge at the end of a word. In other positions in words, the /dʒ/ sound is often (but not always) spelt as g before e, i, and y. The /dʒ/ sound is always spelt as j before a, o and u.	badge, edge, bridge, dodge, fudge age, huge, change, charge, bulge, village gem, giant, magic, giraffe, energy jacket, jar, jog, join, adjust
The /s/ sound spelt c before e, i and y		race, ice, cell, city, fancy
The /n/ sound spelt kn and (less often) gn at the beginning of words	The 'k' and 'g' at the beginning of these words was sounded hundreds of years ago.	knock, know, knee, gnat, gnaw
The /r/ sound spelt wr at the beginning of words	This spelling probably also reflects an old pronunciation.	write, written, wrote, wrong, wrap
The /l/ or /əl/ sound spelt -le at the end of words	The -le spelling is the most common spelling for this sound at the end of words.	table, apple, bottle, little, middle

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The /l/ or /əɫ/ sound spelt –el at the end of words	The –el spelling is much less common than –le . The –el spelling is used after m, n, r, s, v, w and more often than not after s .	camel, tunnel, squirrel, travel, towel, tinsel
The /l/ or /əɫ/ sound spelt –al at the end of words	Not many nouns end in –al , but many adjectives do.	metal, pedal, capital, hospital, animal
Words ending –il	There are not many of these words.	pencil, fossil, nostril
The /aɪ/ sound spelt –y at the end of words	This is by far the most common spelling for this sound at the end of words.	cry, fly, dry, try, reply, July
Adding –es to nouns and verbs ending in –y	The y is changed to i before –es is added.	flies, tries, replies, copies, babies, carries
Adding –ed, –ing, –er and –est to a root word ending in –y with a consonant before it	The y is changed to i before –ed, –er and –est are added, but not before –ing as this would result in ii . The only ordinary words with ii are <i>skiing</i> and <i>taxiing</i> .	copied, copier, happier, happiest, cried, replied ... but copying, crying, replying
Adding the endings –ing, –ed, –er, –est and –y to words ending in –e with a consonant before it	The –e at the end of the root word is dropped before –ing, –ed, –er, –est, –y or any other suffix beginning with a vowel letter is added. Exception: <i>being</i> .	hiking, hiked, hiker, nicer, nicest, shiny
Adding –ing, –ed, –er, –est and –y to words of one syllable ending in a single consonant letter after a single vowel letter	The last consonant letter of the root word is doubled to keep the /æ/, /ɛ/, /ɪ/, /ɒ/ and /ʌ/ sound (i.e. to keep the vowel ‘short’). Exception: The letter ‘x’ is never doubled: <i>mixing, mixed, boxer, sixes</i> .	patting, patted, humming, hummed, dropping, dropped, sadder, saddest, fatter, fattest, runner, runny
The /ɔ:/ sound spelt a before l and ll	The /ɔ:/ sound (‘or’) is usually spelt as a before l and ll .	all, ball, call, walk, talk, always
The /ʌ/ sound spelt o		other, mother, brother, nothing, Monday

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The /i:/ sound spelt -ey	The plural of these words is formed by the addition of -s (<i>donkeys, monkeys, etc.</i>).	key, donkey, monkey, chimney, valley
The /ɒ/ sound spelt a after w and qu	a is the most common spelling for the /ɒ/ ('hot') sound after w and qu .	want, watch, wander, quantity, squash
The /ɜ:/ sound spelt or after w	There are not many of these words.	word, work, worm, world, worth
The /ɔ:/ sound spelt ar after w	There are not many of these words.	war, warm, towards
The /ʒ/ sound spelt s		television, treasure, usual
The suffixes -ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly	<p>If a suffix starts with a consonant letter, it is added straight on to most root words without any change to the last letter of those words.</p> <p>Exceptions:</p> <p>(1) <i>argument</i></p> <p>(2) root words ending in -y with a consonant before it but only if the root word has more than one syllable.</p>	<p>enjoyment, sadness, careful, playful, hopeless, plainness (plain + ness), badly</p> <p>merriment, happiness, plentiful, penniless, happily</p>
Contractions	<p>In contractions, the apostrophe shows where a letter or letters would be if the words were written in full (e.g. <i>can't</i> – <i>cannot</i>).</p> <p><i>It's</i> means <i>it is</i> (e.g. <i>It's</i> raining) or sometimes <i>it has</i> (e.g. <i>It's</i> been raining), but <i>it's</i> is never used for the possessive.</p>	can't, didn't, hasn't, couldn't, it's, I'll
The possessive apostrophe (singular nouns)		Megan's, Ravi's, the girl's, the child's, the man's
Words ending in -tion		station, fiction, motion, national, section

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Homophones and near-homophones	It is important to know the difference in meaning between homophones.	there/their/they're, here/hear, quite/quiet, see/sea, bare/bear, one/won, sun/son, to/too/two, be/bee, blue/blew, night/knight
Common exception words	<p>Some words are exceptions in some accents but not in others – e.g. <i>past</i>, <i>last</i>, <i>fast</i>, <i>path</i> and <i>bath</i> are not exceptions in accents where the a in these words is pronounced /æ/, as in <i>cat</i>.</p> <p><i>Great</i>, <i>break</i> and <i>steak</i> are the only common words where the /eɪ/ sound is spelt ea.</p>	<p>door, floor, poor, because, find, kind, mind, behind, child, children*, wild, climb, most, only, both, old, cold, gold, hold, told, every, everybody, even, great, break, steak, pretty, beautiful, after, fast, last, past, father, class, grass, pass, plant, path, bath, hour, move, prove, improve, sure, sugar, eye, could, should, would, who, whole, any, many, clothes, busy, people, water, again, half, money, Mr, Mrs, parents, Christmas – and/or others according to programme used.</p> <p>Note: 'children' is not an exception to what has been taught so far but is included because of its relationship with 'child'.</p>