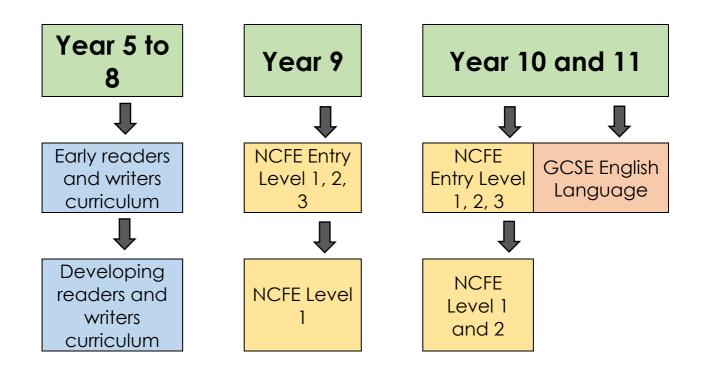
# **English Scheme of Learning**

This scheme of work outlines the content taught and skills gained to ensure students at The Sky Academy gain the best possible outcomes both academically and in the wider world.



### Year A

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Fiction	Post apocalypse	Historical	Shakespeare	Ghost	Sci-fi	Fairy tales
Non- fiction	Non- chronologic al report	Persuasive letter	Journalistic writing	Balance argument	Instructions and explanation	Speech
Poetry	War poetry Kennings Riddles Limericks					

# Year B

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	
Fiction	Dystopia	Action	Shakespeare	Detective	Humorous	Fantasy	
Non- fiction	Letter and recount	Review	Biography	Advertising and poster	Report	Commentary	
Poetry	Free verse Emotive poetry Narrative poetry Haiku						

Entertain
Inform
Persuade
Discuss

# Learning sequence

### Week 1

- Understanding the key features of the genre/text type
- Identifying main SPaG used
- Making comparisons between different genres/text types
- At least 1 reading, writing and speaking and listen lesson per week

#### Week 2

- Practicing SPaG features
- Practicing genre/text type writing features
- Talking about writing
- Writing as a class, group and individual
- At least 1 reading, writing and speaking and listen lesson per week

#### Week 3

- Planning writing
- Writing the finished piece
- Re-drafting and editing work
- At least 1 reading, writing and speaking and listen lesson per week

# Writing to entertain

# **Early Writers**

#### Text features

- Time sequenced
- Begin to differentiate between past and present tense to suit purpose

#### Other Style Ideas

- Focus on oral work first
- Use opportunities to reading

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

• Use <u>coordinating conjunctions</u> to link two main ideas

They pulled and pulled at the turnip to get it out.

Use <u>noun phrases</u> which add detail to description

Very old grandma, brave woodchopper

• Use the progressive form for verbs

Goldilocks was walking through the woods.

• Use exclamation sentences where appropriate

What big eyes you have, Grandma!

Adverbial examples

First Then Next After Later The next day...

Conjunction examples

and but so or when

#### **Punctuation Content**

- Use finger spaces between words
- Use capital letters & full stops to mark sentences
- Use capital letter for first person 'l'
- Use apostrophes to mark contractions, e.g. didn't
- Use exclamation marks, particularly in relation to speech
- Begin to use <u>inverted commas</u> to mark direct speech where appropriate.

# **Developing writers**

#### **Text Features**

- Detailed description
- Use paragraphs to organize in time sequence

#### Other Style Ideas

Opportunities for comparing different forms of past tense (progressive and simple)

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

• Use fronted adverbials to show how/when an event occurs

Without a sound... After a moment...

Use expanded noun phrases to add detail & description

...the dark gloomy cupboard under the stairs...

• Use subordinate clauses to add detail or context

Although Theseus was scared, he prepared to enter the maze.

• Use <u>nouns & pronouns</u> for clarity and cohesion

They crept into Minos's great labyrinth. Inside the maze....

Adverbial examples

Soon Meanwhile As... The next day... Later... Carefully Without a thought...

Conjunction examples

if when because while as until whenever once

#### **Punctuation Content**

 Use full punctuation for direct speech, including punctuation within and before inverted commas

Mum asked, "Will you be home for tea?"

- Secure use of <u>apostrophes</u> for possession, including for plural nouns.
- Use commas after fronted adverbials and subordinate clauses
- May begin to use <u>dashes</u> for emphasis

#### **Skilled writers**

#### **Text Features**

Detailed description

Use paragraphs to organise in time sequence

#### Other Style Ideas

Use a range of tenses to indicate changes in timing, sequence, etc.

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

• Use subordinate clauses to add detail or context, including in varied positions.

Although Theseus was scared, he prepared to enter the maze.

Theseus, although he was scared, prepared to enter the maze.

• Use relative clauses to add detail or context,

Amy grabbed the torch, which she'd strapped to her belt, quickly.

- Use a wide range of sentence structures to add interest
- Adverbial examples

Meanwhile Later that day Silently Within moments All night Nearby Under the treetops -ing openers -ed openers

Conjunction examples

if when because while as until whenever once since although unless rather

#### **Punctuation Content**

• Use <u>brackets</u> for incidentals

Amy saw Katie (her best friend) standing outside.

• Use <u>dashes</u> to emphasise additional information

The girl was distraught - she cried for hours.

• Use colons to add further detail in a new clause

The girl was distraught: she cried for hours.

• Use <u>semi-colons</u> to join related clauses

Some think this is awful; others disagree.

# Writing to inform

### **Early writers**

#### **Text Features**

Appropriate use of past and present tense

#### Other Style Ideas

Could use a writing frame to structure sections

May include images

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

• Use <u>coordinating conjunctions</u> to link two main ideas

Badgers sleep in the day and look for food at night.

• Use <u>subordinating conjunctions</u> in the middle of sentences

Badgers can dig well because they have sharp claws

• Use noun phrases which inform

sharp claws, black fur

Use commas to separate items in a list

You will need flour, eggs, sugar and water.

• Use exclamation sentences where appropriate

What a fantastic time we all had!

• Adverbial examples

First Firstly Next After Later

Conjunction examples

and but so or when if because

#### **Punctuation Content**

- Use finger spaces between words.
- Use <u>capital letters</u> & <u>full stops</u> to mark sentences.
- Use <u>question mark</u>.

Did you know...?

• Use <u>apostrophes</u> to mark possession.

A badger's home is underground.

# **Developing writers**

#### **Text Features**

- Paragraphs used to group related ideas
- Subheadings to label content

#### Other Style Ideas

- May be built around a key image
- Use techniques to highlight key words (bold, underline, etc.)

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

• Use <u>subordinating conjunctions</u> to join clauses, including as openers.

Although they have a fierce reputation, the Vikings weren't all bad.

• Use expanded noun phrases to inform

A tall dark-haired man was seen leaving the scene.

Use <u>commas</u> to separate adjectives in a list,

You will need flour, eggs, sugar and water.

• Use relative clauses to add further detail

We went to Downing Street, where the Prime Minster lives, before visiting the Houses of Parliament.

• Begin to use <u>present perfect tense</u> to place events in time,

This week we have visited the Science Museum.

Adverbial examples

First Firstly Before After Later Soon Also In addition However

• Conjunction examples

when before after while because if

#### **Punctuation Content**

- Consolidate four main punctuation marks (.,!?)
- Use capital letters for proper nouns
- Use commas to mark fronted adverbials

After lunch, we went into the museum

Use commas to mark subordinate clauses

When he was a boy, Dahl did not like reading.

- Use inverted commas for direct speech
- Use bullet points to list items

#### **Skilled writers**

#### **Text Features**

- Paragraphs used to group related ideas
- Heading/subheadings
- Use of technical vocabulary

#### Other Style Ideas

- May include a glossary
- Sections may contain more than one paragraph

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

• Use <u>subordinating conjunctions</u> in varied positions

The Polar Bear, although it is large, can move at great speed.

• Use expanded noun phrases to inform

...a tall dark-haired man with a bright-red cap...

• Use relative clauses to add further detail

We went to Downing Street, where the Prime Minster lives, before visiting the Houses of Parliament.

Begin to use passive voice to remain formal or detached

The money was stolen from the main branch.

Begin to use colons to link related clauses,

England was a good country to invade: it had plenty of useful land.

Adverbial examples

Meanwhile At first After Furthermore Despite As a result Consequently Due to For example

Conjunction examples

when before after while because if although as

#### **Punctuation Content**

- Use <u>brackets</u> or <u>dashes</u> to explain technical vocabulary
- Use semi-colons to punctuate complex lists, including when using bullet points
- Use colons to introduce lists or sections
- Use brackets or dashes to mark relative clauses
- Secure use of commas to mark clauses, including opening subordinating clauses
- Begin to use <u>colons</u> & <u>semi-colons</u> to mark clauses

# Writing to persuade

# **Early writers**

#### **Text Features**

- Use of 2nd person
- Repeat the main ideas
- Facts & key information
- Adjectives for positive description

#### Other Style Ideas

- Link to oracy, esp. for speeches
- Use of colour and images, esp. for advertising

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

Use <u>imperative verbs</u> to convey urgency

Buy it today! Listen very carefully....

• Use rhetorical questions to engage the reader

Do you want to have an amazing day out?

• Use noun phrases to add detail and description

Our fantastic resort has amazing facilities for everyone

Adverbial examples

Firstly Also In addition On the other hand In conclusion

Conjunctions

if because unless so and but even if when

#### **Punctuation Content**

- Ensure use of capital letters for proper nouns
- Use ?! for rhetorical / exclamatory sentences

# **Developing writers**

#### **Text Features**

- Use of 2nd person
- Planned repetition
- Facts & Statistics
- Adjectives for positive description

#### Other Style Ideas

- Link to oracy, esp. for speeches
- Use of colour and images, esp. for advertising

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

• Use imperative verbs to convey urgency

Buy it today! Listen very carefully....

Use rhetorical questions to engage the reader

Do you want to have an amazing day out?

Use noun phrases to add detail and description

Our fantastic resort has amazing facilities for everyone

• Use relative clauses to provide additional enticement

Our hotel, which has 3 swimming pools, overlooks a beautiful beach

Adverbial examples

Firstly Also In addition However On the other hand Therefore In conclusion

Conjunctions

if because unless so and but even if when

#### **Punctuation Content**

- Ensure use of capital letters for proper nouns
- Use <u>?!</u> for rhetorical / exclamatory sentences
- Use <u>commas</u> to mark relative clauses
- Use commas to make fronted adverbials and subordinate clauses

After your visit, you won't want to leave.

Once you've tasted our delicious sandwiches, you'll be coming back for more!

### **Skilled writers**

#### Text Features

- Use of 2nd person
- Personal pronouns
- Planned repetition
- Facts & Statistics
- Hyperbole

#### Other Style Ideas

- Link to oracy, esp. for speeches
- Use of colour and images, esp. for advertising

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

• Use <u>imperative</u> and <u>modal verbs</u> to convey urgency

Buy it today! This product will transform your life..

• Use adverbials to convey sense of certainty

Surely we can all agree...?

• Use <u>short sentences</u> for emphasis

This has to stop! Vote for change!

• Use of the subjunctive form for formal structure

If I were you, I would...

Adverbial examples

Firstly Furthermore In addition However Nevertheless Therefore Consequently In conclusion

• Conjunction examples

if because although unless since even if rather whereas in order to whenever whether

#### **Punctuation Content**

- Use <u>?</u>! for rhetorical / exclamatory sentences
- Use <u>colons</u> and <u>semi-colons</u> to list features, attractions or arguments
- Use <u>brackets</u> or <u>dashes</u> for parenthesis, including for emphasis

This is our chance—our only chance—to make a difference.

• Use semi-colons for structure repetition

Bring your friends; bring your children; bring the whole family!

# Writing to discuss

# **Early writers**

#### **Text Features**

- Share different points of view or opinions
- Understanding other people's ideas or opinions

#### Other Style Ideas

- Practice rehearsing sentences or phrases orally
- Use of writing frames to support structured writing

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

• Use <u>adverbials</u> to provide cohesion across the text

Despite its flaws... On the other hand...

• Use <u>expanded noun phrases</u> to describe in detail

The dramatic performance by the amateur group was...

Adverbial examples

Firstly In addition Therefore In conclusion

Conjunction examples

if because and but so when or

#### **Punctuation Content**

- Ensure use of capital letters for proper nouns
- Use <u>?!</u> for rhetorical / exclamatory sentences

# **Developing writers**

#### **Text Features**

- Share different points of view or opinions
- Understanding other people's ideas or opinions
- Provide points which clearly define the opinions that are being discussed

#### Other Style Ideas

- Practice rehearing sentences or phrases orally
- Use of writing frames to support structured writing
- Use paragraphs to structure arguments
- Maintain formal / impersonal tone

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

- Use of <u>subordinating conjunctions</u> to make connections between points
- Use relative clauses to provide supporting detail

The rainforest, which covers almost a third of South America...

• Use adverbials to provide cohesion across the text

Despite its flaws... On the other hand...

• Use expanded noun phrases to describe in detail

The dramatic performance by the amateur group was...

Adverbial examples

Firstly Furthermore In addition However Nevertheless Therefore Consequently In conclusion

Conjunction examples

if because although unless since even if rather whereas in order to whenever whether

#### **Punctuation Content**

- Ensure use of <u>capital letters</u> for proper nouns
- Use ?! for rhetorical / exclamatory sentences

- Use commas to mark relative clauses and subordinate clauses
- Use commas to separate multiple adjectives
- Use commas to denote fronted adverbials
- Use inverted commas for direct quotes

#### **Skilled writers**

#### **Text Features**

- Appropriate use of cohesive devices
- Use of subjunctive form where needed

#### Other Style Ideas

- Use paragraphs to structure arguments
- Maintain formal / impersonal tone

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

Use <u>modal verbs</u> to convey degrees of probability

It could be argued... Some might say...

• Use relative clauses to provide supporting detail

The rainforest, which covers almost a third of South America...

Use adverbials to provide cohesion across the text

Despite its flaws... On the other hand...

Use <u>expanded noun phrases</u> to describe in detail

The dramatic performance by the amateur group was...

• Begin to use passive voice to maintain impersonal tone

The film was made using CGI graphics

Adverbial examples

Firstly Furthermore In addition However Nevertheless Therefore Consequently In conclusion

Conjunction examples

if because although unless since even if rather whereas in order to whenever whether

#### **Punctuation Content**

• Use <u>brackets</u> or <u>dashes</u> for parenthesis, including for emphasis

This performance—the first by such a young gymnast—was a masterpiece!

• Use semi-colons for to mark related clauses

Some argue ...; others say...

- Use commas to mark relative clauses
- Use <u>colons</u> and <u>semi-colons</u> to punctuate complex lists