

## Year 4

### Fiction and poetry text types

Stories with historical settings  
Stories in imaginary worlds  
Stories with issues and dilemmas  
Plays and dialogue  
Poem types eg. haiku, cinquain, prayers, alphabet and number poems, question and answer poems etc.

### Non-fiction text types

Information texts  
Adverts  
Explanations

### Terminology – words they will be learning during the year

#### **Consolidate**

Punctuation  
Finger spaces  
Letter  
Word  
Sentence  
Full stops  
Capital letter  
Question mark  
Exclamation mark  
Speech bubble  
'Speech marks'  
Direct speech  
Inverted commas  
Bullet points  
Apostrophe (contractions only)  
Commas for sentence of 3 – description, action  
Colon - instructions  
Singular/ plural  
Suffix/ Prefix  
Word family  
Consonant/Vowel  
Adjective / noun  
Verb / Adverb  
Bossy verbs - imperative

Tense (past, present, future)

Connective  
Conjunction  
Preposition  
Determiner/ generaliser  
Clause  
Subordinate clause  
Relative clause  
Relative pronoun  
Alliteration  
Simile – 'as' / 'like'  
Synonyms

#### **Introduce:**

Pronoun  
Possessive pronoun  
Adverbial  
Fronted adverbial  
Apostrophe - possession

Word structure / Vocabulary development	Sentence structure	Text structure
<p>Prepositions <i>at underneath since towards beneath beyond</i></p> <p>Conditional modals- <i>could, should, would</i></p> <p>Comparative and superlative adjectives e.g. <i>small...smaller...smallest good...better...best</i></p> <p>Proper nouns e.g. <i>Monday, Jessica, October, England</i></p> <p><b>Apostrophes</b> to mark singular and <b>plural possession</b> (e.g. <i>the girl's name, the boys' boots</i>) The grammatical difference between plural and possessive -s</p> <p>Standard English forms for verb inflections instead of local spoken forms (e.g. <i>we were instead of we was, or I did instead of I done</i>)</p>	<p><b>Types of sentences</b></p> <p><b>Long sentences</b> to enhance description or information. <b>Short sentences</b> to move events on quickly e.g. <i>It was midnight.</i> <i>It's great fun.</i></p> <p><b>Start with a simile</b> e.g. <i>As curved as a ball, the moon shone brightly in the night sky.</i> <i>Like a wailing cat, the ambulance screamed down the road.</i></p> <p><b>Secure use of simple / embellished simple sentences</b></p> <p><b>Secure use of compound sentences (coordination)</b> using coordinating conjunctions: <i>and / or / but / so / for / nor / yet</i></p> <p><b>Develop complex sentences (subordination)</b> <b>Main and subordinate clauses</b> with range of subordinating conjunctions.</p> <p><b>Introduce:</b> <b>Commas</b> to mark clauses</p> <p><b>Full punctuation for direct speech:</b> Comma between direct speech and reporting clause e.g. <i>"It's late," gasped Cinderella!</i> Verb + adverb - <i>"Hello," she whispered shyly.</i></p> <p><b>-‘ed’ clauses as starters</b> e.g. <i>Frightened, Tom ran straight home to avoid being caught.</i> <i>Exhausted, the Roman soldier collapsed at his post.</i></p> <p><b>Expanded -‘ing’ clauses as starters</b> e.g. <i>Grinning menacingly, he slipped the treasure into his rucksack.</i> <i>Hopping speedily towards the pool,</i></p>	<p><b>Fiction:</b></p> <p><b>Secure use of planning tools:</b> e.g. story map /story mountain /story grids /‘Boxing-up’ grids.</p> <p>Consolidate children’s understanding of the 5 parts of a story and of paragraphs to organise ideas into each story part.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction – detailed description of setting or characters and some action</li> <li>• Build-up –include suspense towards the problem or dilemma</li> <li>• Problem / dilemma –include detail of actions / dialogue</li> <li>• Resolution - should link with the problem</li> <li>• Ending – clear ending should link back to the start; show how the character or situation has changed from the beginning.</li> </ul> <p><b>Paragraphs</b> to organise each part of story to indicate a change in place or jump in time Build in suspense writing to introduce the dilemma.</p> <p><b>Non-Fiction</b></p> <p><b>Secure use of planning tools:</b> Text map/ washing line/ ‘Boxing –up’ grid</p> <p><b>Paragraphs</b> to organise ideas around a theme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Logical organisation</li> <li>• Group related paragraphs</li> <li>• Develop use of a topic sentence</li> <li>• Link information within paragraphs with a range of connectives.</li> <li>• Use of bullet points, diagrams</li> </ul>

*the frog dived underneath the leaves.*

**Drop in –‘ing’ clause** e.g.  
*Jane, laughing at the teacher, fell off her chair. The tornado, sweeping across the city, destroyed the houses.*

**Sentence of 3 for action** e.g.  
*Sam rushed down the road, jumped on the bus and sank into his seat. The Romans enjoyed food, loved marching but hated the weather.*

**Repetition to persuade** e.g.  
*Find us to find the fun*

Appropriate choice of pronoun or noun within a sentence to avoid ambiguity and repetition

**Introduction**

**Middle section(s)**

**Ending :** to Include personal opinion, response, extra information, reminders, question, warning, encouragement to the reader.

