

Our Historical Adventure



Progression of History Skills

	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Chronological	Understand	Sequence	Sequence	Place the time	Place events	Know and	Place current
Understanding	that some	events in their	artefacts closer	studied on a	from period	sequence key	study on time
	things	life	together in time	time line	studied on time	events of time	line in relation
	happened		– check with		line	studied	to other
	before they	Sequence 3 or	reference book	Use dates and			studies
	were born	4 artefacts		terms related	Use terms	Use relevant	
		from distinctly	Sequence	to the study	related to the	terms and	Use relevant
	Understand	different	photographs	unit and	period and	period labels	dates and
	that the past	periods of time	etc.	passing of time	begin to date		terms
	means 'before'				events	Make	
	and the	Match objects	Begin to use	Sequence		comparisons	Sequence up to
	present means	to people of	dates and terms	several events	Understand	between	10 events on a
	'now'	different ages	related to the	or artefacts	more complex	different times	time line
			study unit and		terms e.g. BC	in the past	
	Use everyday		passing of time		(BCE) /AD		
	language						
	related to time						
			Describe				
	Identify and		memories of key				
	talk about		events in lives				
	important						
	events in their						
	lives						

	Order and sequence familiar events from their own lives or from stories they have shared						
	Order photographs of people in various stages of life e.g. baby, child etc. Order pictures related to the						
	lifecycle of animals e.g. butterflies, frogs						
Range and depth of historical knowledge	Recognise the difference between past and present in their own lives	Recognise the difference between past and present in their own and others' lives	Recognise why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result	Find out about everyday lives of people in time studied Compare with our life today	Use evidence to reconstruct life in time studied Identify key features and	Study different aspects of different people – differences between men and women	Find out about beliefs, behaviour and characteristics of people, recognising that not everyone

		They know and recount episodes from stories about the past	Identify differences between ways of life at different times	Identify reasons for and results of people's actions Understand why people may have wanted to do something	events of time studied Look for links and effects in time studied Offer a reasonable explanation for some events	Examine causes and results of great events and the impact on people Compare life in early and late 'times' studied. Compare an aspect of lie with the same aspect in another period	shares the same views and feelings Compare beliefs and behaviour with another time studied Write another explanation of a past event in terms of cause and effect using evidence to support and illustrate their explanation Know key dates, characters and events of time studied
Interpretations of history	Become familiar with ways in which the past is represented	Use stories to encourage children to distinguish	Compare 2 versions of a past event	ldentify and give reasons for different ways in which	Look at the evidence available	Compare accounts of events from different	Link sources and work out how conclusions were arrived at

	through	between fact	Compare	the past is	Begin to	sources – fact	
	artefacts,	and fiction	pictures or	represented	evaluate the	or fiction	Consider ways
	photographs		photographs of		usefulness of		of checking the
	and stories	Compare adults	people or	Distinguish	different	Offer some	accuracy of
		talking about	events in the	between	sources	reasons for	interpretations
	Use pictures	the past –	past	different		different	 – fact or
	and role-play	how reliable	F	sources –	Use text	versions of	fiction and
	to tell stories	are their	Discuss	compare	books/ non-	events	opinion
	and events	memories?	reliability of	different	fiction books		•P•
	from the past		photos/	versions of the	and historical		Be aware that
		How reliable is	accounts/stories	same story	knowledge		different
		their evidence?					evidence will
				Look at			lead to
				representations			different
				of the period			conclusions
				— museum,			
				cartoons etc.			Confidently use
							the library and
							internet for
							research
Historical	Be curious	Find answers	Use a source –	Use a range of	Use evidence	Begin to	Recognise
Enquiry	about people	to simple	observe or	sources to find	to build up a	identify primary	primary and
-	and show an	auestions	handle sources	out about a	picture of a	and secondary	secondary
	interest in	about the past	to answer	period	past event	sources	sources
	stories	from sources of	auestions about				
		information e.g.	the past on the	Observe small	Choose	Use evidence	Use a range of
	Ask simple	artefacts,	basis of simple	details –	relevant	to build up a	sources to find
	auestions		observations.	artefacts,	material to	picture of a	out about an
	about stories,			pictures	present a	past event	

	videos,			picture of one		aspect of time
	photographs or		Select and	aspect of life	Select relevant	past
	artefacts		record	in time past	sections of	
			information		information	Suggest
	Begin to		relevant to the	Ask a variety		omissions and
	answer simple		study	of auestions	Use the library	the means of
	'when', 'how',				and internet	finding out
	'why' auestions		Begin to use	Use the library	for research	
			the library and	and internet	with increasing	Bring
			internet for	for research	confidence	knowledge
			research			gathered from
						several sources
						together in a
						fluent account
Organisation	Communicate their knowledge thr	ough:	Recall, select ar	nd organise	Select and organ	nise information
and	Discussion	historical information to		to produce structured work,		
communication	Drawing pictures			making appropriate use of dates		
	Drama/role play	Communicate and apply their		and terms.		
	Making models	knowledge and understanding.				
	Writing					
	Using ICT					