

Greater Depth Writing Workshop



What do we mean by 'Greater Depth'?

Writing at greater depth is when a pupil can write confidently, use a range of strategies to engage their reader and is accurate in spelling plus handwriting.

Greater depth is difficult to achieve but we believe that some of our children will be able to meet this high standard with practice and support.



Greater Depth in Writing in Year 1



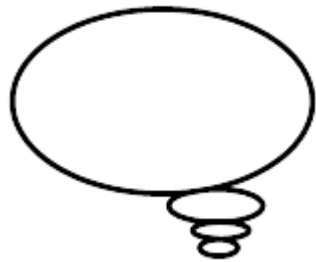
• **Spelling:**

- Consistently spelling words correctly at phase 2 (alternative spellings/sounds)
- Knowing the alphabet (being able to say the letters in order and starting from different letters)
- Naming letters of the alphabet
- Using prefixes and suffixes in writing (-ing, -er, -est etc.)

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- **Writing:**

- Confidently write simple sentences spoken to them.
- Writing a sequence of sentences (stories have a beginning, middle & end)
- Re-reading what they have written to check it makes sense. They must know what to do to correct it.



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• **Handwriting:**

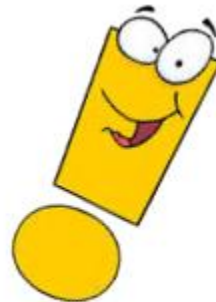
- Letters must be formed confidently, quickly and correctly.
- Using spacing that reflects the size of the letters.
- Letters to be of a similar size to one another.
- Using capital letters correctly - these must be noticeably bigger than lowercase letters.

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j k l m n o p q r
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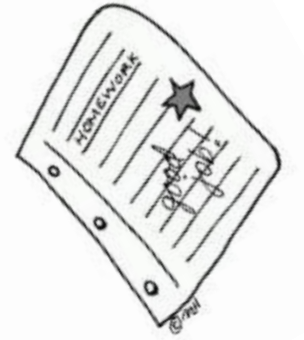
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- **Grammar:**

- Using full stops correctly.
- Must also be using exclamation marks and questions marks correctly.
- Using and correctly and confidently. Starting to use other conjunctions e.g. because, so, if etc.



How can you help at home?



- Complete homework with them. Support them to work independently.
- Encourage your child to re-read their sentences out loud. Can they correct their sentences? Can they make them better?
- Encourage your child to use their best handwriting, using a range of punctuation.
- Read a wide variety of books with them so they can enrich their vocabulary and consolidate grammar skills.

In your pack...

1. Handwriting examples
2. Writing Checklist
3. Phase 5 common exception words
4. KPIs for greater depth.

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