



Year 4 writing skills

Writing for a range of purposes	Organise writing effectively	Punctuation	Spelling and presentation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I can describe settings and characters. • I can use precise vocabulary to describe. • I can use expanded noun phrases to describe. • I can proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors. • I can use similes and metaphors to describe. • I can change some of my vocabulary and grammar to make my writing more interesting to read. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I can use adverbials to ensure that my writing makes sense. • I can use the past and present tense consistently, including the present perfect form. • I can use subordinating and co-ordinating conjunctions. • I can use adverbs and prepositions of time to move my writing on. • I can use headings and subheadings in non-fiction writing. • I can organise my paragraphs around a theme. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I can use commas after fronted adverbials. • I can use inverted commas to punctuate direct speech. • I can begin to use correct speech punctuation to punctuate direct speech. • I can use apostrophes in contractions and to show possession. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I can spell all of the year 3 and 4 words correctly. • I can use neat, cursive handwriting.

New grammar terms to learn:
determiner, pronoun, possessive pronoun, adverbial.

