





	Construct &	Change and	Cause and	Significance and	Plan and carry	Use sources
	sequence the past	development	effect	interpretation	out an enquiry	as evidence
Year 1	Recognise the	Say how something	Show an	Begin to	Ask and answer some	Use pictures and
	difference	is	understanding	understand	historical questions.	photographs to
	between 'old' and	the same or different	of some key	why events being	☐ Sort pictures /	extract
	'new'	in the past.	events.	studied are	objects / events into	some information
	☐ Know where some	☐ Develop a sense	☐ Start to think	important.	'old' and 'new'.	about
	basic	of time	about	☐Use phrases		the past.
	events fit on a	and how fast things	the reasons why	such as		☐ Begin to
	timeline,	change (e.g.	things	now, after, before,		recognise
	relating to their topic	differences	might change	modern, new, old,		different ways we
	☐ Place some basic	between changes in	(e.g.	a		can
	events	their / their parents /	improvements in	long time ago, in		learn about the past
	onto a timeline and use	their grandparents	technology /	my		(e.g.
	this to support the	lifetimes).	making life	lifetime, before I		from images,
	retelling of past		easier / more	was		objects,
	events.		fun).	born, when I was		stories, first-hand
				younger.		witnesses).
Year 2	Record some events	Say how lifestyles	Recount key	Understand why	Ask and answer	Use a range of
	onto	(work, school, play	events	people and events	historically relevant	sources
	a timeline.	etc.)	from the past in	being studied are	questions.	(eg. pictures, photos,
	Know where some	were the same or	their	important.	Use historical	artefacts, stories,
	key	different in the past.	own words and	Begin to express	vocabulary (eg. past,	text
	people fit on a	☐ Describe	begin to	preferences and	present, recently,	books, field trips
	timeline.	differences	explain why	justify them with	years, decades,	etc.)
	Remember a few	between 'then' and	these	evidence / facts	centuries).	to extract some
	significant names and	'now'.	events happened.	(e.g.	☐ Compare events	information about
	dates.	Discuss the speed of	Begin to think	Who was the	from	the
	Use common words	change - sometimes	about	greatest	different periods in	past.
	and	in	the impact that	explorer?	history (eg. different	Begin to piece
	phrases related to the	slow increments,	historical events		discoveries/voyages).	together
	passing of time (now,	sometimes in leaps.	have			clues from a variety
	then, before).		had on modern			of
			life.			different sources.







Year 3	Develop knowledge of	Investigate everyday	Question,	Ask and answer	Construct relevant	Use a range of
10010	local and British	life for people in the	investigate	questions about	questions about history	sources
	history	past, including	and give reasons	how	and begin to suggest	or artefacts (written,
	on the wider timeline	clothing,	for	and why events	how these might be	visual or oral) to
	(expanding timelines	food, houses, beliefs	events in the past	and	answered.	learn
	to	and leisure activities	(eg.	people being	☐ Carry out a local	more about the past.
	reach from the Stone	and recognise how	why did the first	studied	history	☐ Consider the
	Age	these were similar /	Roman invasions	are significant.	study (how did history	range of
	to modern day).	different to the	of	☐ Express	shape our area? What	sources available
	☐ Place events of	modern day.	Britain fail, but	preferences	evidence can we still	when
	British	☐ Explore change at	later	and personal	find?)	we study different
	history on a timeline,	a	ones were	responses	☐ Use phrases such as	historical periods
	using dates.	local level,	successful?)	to topics being	before, during, after,	(eg.
	☐ Begin to understand	investigating	☐ Describe the	studied	century, decade, BC,	why do we know
	the	the impact of	impact of	and back-them up	AD, ancient, modern,	much
	scale of history (eg.	national	events in the	with	period, Empire, Age.	more about the
	the	and global events.	more	evidence / facts.		Romans
	Bronze Age lasted for		distant past on			than the Iron Age?)
	\approx 2000 years, but vast		modern			
	amounts of change in		life (eg. the			
	last		legacy of			
	century.		the Roman			
			Empire for			
			modern Europe).			
Year 4	Position a growing	Ask and answer	Independently	Can ask and	Ask relevant questions	Understanding that
	range	questions about	question	answer	about history and	historical knowledge
	of eras and events on a	changes, similarities	the reasons	questions about	suggest sources of	comes from a range
	timeline (eg. Ancient	and differences.	behind	how	evidence that could be	of
	Egypt, Anglo-Saxons,	☐ Begin to have an	historical events	and why	used to answer them,	sources.
	Romans, Iron Age,	understanding of	and	events/people	recognising the	☐ Look at two
	Guy	broader trends /	changes.	are significant.	difference between	versions of
	Fawkes).	themes over time.	☐ Give	☐ Show empathy	primary and secondary	the same events
	☐ Separate out	☐ Explore	increasingly	for	sources.	identifying how they
	timeline of	differences			☐ Use historical terms	are similar/different.







	Britain from global events and recognise that some events are more globally important than others	between different people living at the same time	historically accurate answers to these questions. Describe how events/ people being studied have had an impact on the modern world.	people living in the past, recognising what their lives would have been like and how they would have felt.	correctly.	☐ Question the accuracy of modern depictions of historical events.
Year 5	Develop a clear understanding of the order of the time periods that they have studied (covering all units from KS1 & KS2). □ Place world history events on a timeline using the correct dates and labels	Discuss changes, similarities and differences. Deepen understanding of trends/themes over time. Describe what life was like for people living at the same point (rich/poor, military/civilians etc.)	Ask and answer clear and accurate questions about what happened. Ask 'why' questions to further historical understanding. Debate and discuss different opinions about historical causes and effects.	Deepen their understanding that historical knowledge comes from a range of sources, Understand that there can be many versions of the same events in history, giving reasons why these may exist.	Select appropriate evidence to answer a question, and recognise that there is often not a single 'right' answer to an historical question. Draw conclusions on what happened based on study a range of sources.	Accept, reject and comment on how useful sources are when carrying out research. Recognise that not all sources are equally valid, and that some evidence may come from propaganda or opinion.
Year 6	Have a clear understanding of the order of the time periods that they have studied	Ask and answer questions about changes, similarities and differences and challenge responses.	Independently ask and answer clear and accurate questions	Recognise that some events and people are	Consider the validity of different sources and select reliable, appropriate resources	Draw together and analyse a wide range of sources (both primary







(covering all units	☐ Discuss and	about the past.	more significant	to use to answer a	and secondary),
from	debate	☐ Discuss and	than	specific question.	sourcing these
KS1 & KS2).	trends and themes	compare a	others, and use	☐ Reach conclusions	independently where
☐ Comment on trends	over	range of	evidence to back-	on	appropriate.
that	time.	plausible	up	what happened based	☐ Challenge the
happen over time.	☐ Describe changes	causes and	responses.	on	accuracy,
☐ Annotate a timeline	across an historical	effects.	☐ Understand that	the study of a range of	validity and
with	period (considering	☐ Investigate	historical	sources.	usefulness
historical terms and	social, political,	and	knowledge	☐ Reflect on enquiries	of artefacts, texts,
facts, showing a sense	cultural	describe legacies	comes from a	and	photographs, online
of	and technological	for	range of	identify ways in which	resources etc. when
historical scale	changes).	the modern	sources,	they could be	investigating
		world,	☐ Make links	improved	historical
		investigating and	between	or extended.	sources
		discussing how	historical events,		
		ancient	changes and		
		civilisations can	cultures		
		still	across a range of		
		have an impact	periods studied		
		on our			
		lives.			





