

Criteria for fiction and non-fiction genres - Year 2

This is an overview for each genre, giving a list of grammar and punctuation which should be taught. It is not a definitive list. For each genre you will work on vocabulary such as prefixes, suffixes, antonyms, synonyms, homonyms, etc.

Different sentence structures should be taught. This will be developed through the year and throughout the Key Stage.

Narrative genres							
Narrative text First or third person Personification Similes Onomatopoeia Expanded noun phrases Different sentence openers Synonyms	 Myths and legends – past tense Stories with recurring literary lagnauge Traditional fairy story – past tense 						
Prepositions							



Non-fiction genres							
Explanation text	Recount text	Persuasive text	Report text	Play scripts	Poetry text	Discussion text	
Present tense Variety of conjunctions Formal language Technical vocabulary Third person Rhetorical questions Proper nouns Past tense Expanded noun phrases	(This includes genres such as newspaper/journalistic writing, biography, autobiography and diary) Past tense Conjunctions Formal language Third/first person (pronouns) Formal language Capital letters, full stops, questions marks, exclamation marks	Present tense Past tense Imperative verbs Variety of conjunctions Rhetorical questions Formal language Capital letters, full stops, questions marks, exclamation marks	Formal language First/third person Past/present tense Variety of conjunctions Similes Technical language Capital letters, full stops, questions marks, exclamation marks	Exclamation sentences with exclamation marks Colons Informal speech Apostrophes for contraction	Similes Abstract nouns Adjectives Repetition Antonyms Synonyms Onomatopoeia Powerful verbs Specific nouns Collective nouns Expanded noun phrases	Present tense Rhetorical questions Variety of conjunctions Imperative verbs Third person Capital letters, full stops, questions marks, exclamation marks Formal language Expanded noun phrases	
Non-chronological report Third person Formal language Commas in a list Present tense Past tense Capital letters, full stops, questions marks, exclamation marks Headings and subheadings Expanded noun phrases	Newspaper Newspaper headlines Subheadings Present tense Past tense First/third person Technical language Capital language Capital letters, full stops, questions marks, exclamation marks Time and cause conjunctions and adverbs	Biography Third person Past tense Informal language Different types of sentence openers Capital letters, full stops, questions marks, exclamation marks Expanded noun phrases	Diary Informal language Chronological order First person Time and cause conjunctions and adverbs Past tense Apostrophes for contraction Proper nouns Informal language Different types of sentence openers Capital letters, full stops, questions marks, exclamation marks Present perfect tense	Letters (What is featured in this genre depends on the genre being taught. For example, if it is to persuade then you would follow the success criteria for a persuasion text) First person Formal language Informal language Layout Capital letters, full stops, questions marks, exclamation marks	Instructions Temporal /time adverbs Imperative verbs Present tense Second person Technical language Adverbs to start sentences Formal language Simple sentences Commas to separate lists Proper nouns	Autobiography First person Past tense Informal language Apostrophes for contraction Different types of sentence openers Similes Capital letters, full stops, questions marks, exclamation marks Commas in a list	