Handwriting

I can write legibly and fluently, deciding whether or not to join specific letters

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Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation

- * I can recognise vocabulary and structures for formal speech
- * I can use passive verbs
- * I can use the perfect form of verbs
- I can use expanded noun phrases
- I can use modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degree of possibility
- * I can use relative clauses
- I can use commas to clarify meaning
- * I can use hyphens
- * I can use semi-colons and colons
- * I can use brackets, dashes or commas for parenthesis

Structure of Writing

I can plan my writing by:

- identifying the audience for and purpose of the writing
- noting and developing initial ideas

I can draft and write by:

- selecting appropriate vocabulary and grammar to enhance meaning
- describing characters, settings and atmosphere, and include dialogue to convey character and advance the action
- building cohesion within and across paragraphs
- using organisational and presentational devices to structure the text

I can evaluate and edit by:

- assessing the effectiveness of my own and others' writing
- suggesting changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to enhance effect
- writing in the correct tense consistently across a piece of writing
- * ensuring my verbs and subjects agree
- performing my own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume and movement

Spelling

- * I can use further prefixes and suffixes correctly
- * I can spell some words with silent letters
- I can distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused
- * I can use a dictionary to check the spelling and meaning of words
- * I can use a thesaurus

