



Year R Writing Composition

Knowledge, skills and understanding	Routines and resources
<p>Year R is not included in the Programmes of Study for Key Stages 1 and 2. However, it would clearly be appropriate to prepare pupils for the Year 1 statements.</p> <p>Focus on speaking and listening skills to develop speech, particularly communicating effectively in words and sentences.</p> <p>Pupils will need to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">engage in pre-writing or writing-readiness activitiespractise holding a writing or drawing implement correctlypractise and enjoy making marks using a variety of materialsmake large marks and small marks, using gross and fine motor skills	<p>Supporting composition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Read rhymes, poems and stories regularly, to help child internalise narrative patterns, sentence constructions and vocabulary.Write simple sentences by saying out loud what they are going to write about.Model short sentence-writing, talking through skills and processes. <p>Provide opportunities for pupils to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">explore and play with writing e.g. shopping lists, labelling, messages and lettersinvestigate a range of writing implements on different surfaces <p>Resources might include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Gateway to writing - 'Developing Handwriting'Alistair Bryce-Clegg - abcdoes.typepad.comWrite DanceRole-play supporting writingWriting in the outdoor environmentWell-planned writing area <p>As soon as is appropriate for each child, follow the statements for Year 1.</p>