

NSN Progression in History Skills

Skills	Early Years	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Chronology	Remember and talk about past and present events in my own life Understand and remember significant events in my own life	Sequence events or objects in chronological order Recognise the difference between past and present Answer simple questions to sequence events	Sequence artefacts closer together in time sequence events Sequence photos etc from different periods of their life Describe memories of key events in lives Begin to explain thinking behind sequencing events and note connections over time	artefacts Use dates related to	Place events from period studied on a time line Use terms related to the period and begin to date events Understand more complex terms e.g. BCE/AD Note connections and trends over time	Place current study on time line in relation to other studies Know and sequence key events of time Study and use relevant terms and periods labels Relate current studies to previous studies Make comparisons between different times in history	Place current study on time line in relation to other studies use relevant dates and terms Sequence up to ten events on a time line Establish clear narrative within and across periods and at local/ national/world level Start to use their secure sense of chronology to inform wider learning

Historical Enquiry	Talk about past and present events in the lives of other family members	Sort artefacts "then" and "now" Use as wide a range of sources as possible Speaking and listening (links to literacy) to ask and answer questions related to different sources and objects	Use a source – why, what, who, how, where to ask questions and find answers Sequence a collection of artefacts Use of time lines Discuss the effectiveness of sources	Use a range of sources to find out about a period Observe small details – artefacts, pictures select and record information relevant to the study Begin to use the library, e-learning for research ask and answer questions	Use evidence to build up a picture of a past event Choose relevant material to present a picture of one aspect of life in time past Ask a variety of questions use the library, e-learning for research Select and use sources to construct their own opinions	Begin to identify primary and secondary sources Use evidence to build up a picture of life in time studied Select relevant sections of information Confident use of library, e-learning, research	Recognise primary and secondary sources Use a range of sources to find out about an aspect of time past. Suggest omissions and the means of finding out Bring knowledge gathering from several sources together in a fluent account
Organisation and Communication		Time lines (3D with objects/ sequential pictures) drawing drama/role play writing (reports, labelling, simple recount) ICT	Communicate ideas about people, objects or events from the past In speaking, writing, drawing, role-play, story-telling and using ICT	Communicate knowledge and understanding in a variety of ways – discussions, pictures, writing, annotations, drama, mode	Communicate his/her learning in an organised and structured way, using appropriate terminology Know the period in which the study is set display findings in a variety of ways work independently and in groups	Fit events into a display sorted by theme time Present findings and communicate knowledge and understanding in difference ways	Use a variety of ways to communicate knowledge and understanding including extended writing Plan and carry out individual investigations