HfL Assessment Criteria for Phase B Steps 1/2/3 (based on curriculum expectations for Year 3) Writing across a range of texts - Composition

Effect on audience

- · writes in a range of genres/forms, taking account of different audiences and purposes.
- · imitates authorial techniques gathered from reading
- uses some detail in the description of setting or characters' feelings or motives
- · uses dialogue to reveal detail about character/ move the narrative forward
- · begins to use figurative language including similes
- attempts to adopt a viewpoint (NB fiction and non-fiction)
- selects and uses formal and informal styles and vocabulary appropriate to the purpose/reader
- ensures relevant details are included
- shows awareness of the reader in own proof reading and editing

Uses the grammatical terminology when talking about their writing: preposition, conjunction, word family, prefix, clause, subordinate clause, direct speech, consonant, consonant letter, vowel, vowel letter, inverted commas (or 'speech marks'). Continues to use terminology from previous year groups.

Sentence structure and punctuation

- uses single clause sentences and multi-clause sentences (using coordinating conjunctions) mostly accurately and some multiclause sentences (using subordinating conjunctions) accurately
- expresses time, place and cause using conjunctions [e.g. when, before, after, while, so, because], adverbs [e.g. then, next, soon, therefore], or prepositions [e.g. before, after, during, in, because of]
- uses inverted commas to punctuate direct speech
- uses the present perfect form of verbs to contrast to the simple past e.g. 'He has gone out to play' contrasted with 'He went out to play'
- shows some developing evidence of commas to mark grammatical boundaries within sentences
- proof reads for spelling and punctuation errors.
- proposes changes and edits own and others' writing for vocabulary, punctuation, spelling and grammar

Text organisation

- plans and writes stories based on own experience using the structure (opening, dilemma/ conflict/ problem, resolution, ending), ending texts effectively
- begins to use paragraphs to group related materials
- includes a structured sequences of events linked using conjunctions and adverbs
- links events using a wider range of conjunctions and adverbs e.g. 'after a while', 'early one morning (emerging use of adverbials to lay the ground for year 4)
- uses either 1st or 3rd person consistently
- turns notes into sentences grouping information, often moving from general to more specific detail
- includes the use of organisational devices to aid conciseness such as numbered lists or headings, based on notes from several sources
- writes an opening paragraph and further paragraphs for each stage of the story ensuring that sequence is clear and making decisions about how the plot will develop
- uses the features of poetic forms studied



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Handwriting

- beginning to use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understands which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left un-joined
- increases the legibility, consistency and quality of handwriting
 e.g. by ensuring that the down strokes of letters are parallel and
 equidistant; that lines of writing are spaced sufficiently so that the
 ascenders and descenders of letters do not touch

Spelling

- spells some words relating to the Y3/4 curriculum statements and word lists correctly, after independent proof-reading
- spells most words relating to the statements from previous year groups correctly, after independent proof-reading

Please refer to additional spelling guidance at the end of this document.

Evidence of none or just a few of	Entering (some of these	Developing (many of these	Securing (most of these	Deepening (almost all of these
these skills – refer to Phase A	aspects secure, or occasional	aspects secure, or more	aspects secure most of the	aspects secure) = B3
sheets	evidence across most skills) =	frequent evidence across most	time) = B2	
	A6 (equivalent to B0)	skills) = B1		

Please refer to the introduction to this document for further guidance about making judgements for tracking progress.

