

Subject Leader: History - Where your subject sits in EYFS



In planning and guiding what children learn, practitioners must reflect on the different rates at which children are developing and adjust their practice appropriately, referring to the Characteristics of Effective Teaching and Learning These are: playing and exploring - children investigate and experience things, and 'have a go'; active learning - children concentrate and keep on trying if they encounter difficulties, and enjoy their achievements for their own sake; creating and thinking critically - children have and develop their own ideas, make links between ideas, and develop strategies for doing things. In addition, the Prime Areas of Learning (Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Communication and Language and Physical Development) underpin and are an integral part of children's learning in all areas. EYFS Understanding the World Educational Program

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Understanding the world involves guiding children to make sense of their physical world and their community. The frequency and range of children's personal experiences increases their knowledge and sense of the world around them - from visiting parks, libraries and museums to meeting important members of society such as police officers, nurses and firefighters. In addition, listening to a broad selection of stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems will foster their understanding of our culturally, socially, technologically and ecologically diverse world. As well as building important knowledge, this extends their familiarity with words that support understanding across domains. Enriching and widening children's vocabulary will support later reading comprehension.

EYFS UW Past and Present (History) Skills

Changes within living memory	Events beyond living memory	The lives of significant individuals	Significant historical events, people
	, , ,	in the past	and places in their own locality
During dedicated talk time,	Present children with pictures,	Present children with pictures,	Talk about people that the children
listen to what children say	stories, artefacts and accounts	stories, artefacts and accounts	may have come across within their
about their family.	from the past, explaining	from the past, explaining	community, such as delivery and shop
Share information about your	similarities and differences.	similarities and differences.	staff, hairdressers, the police, the
own family, giving children time	Offer opportunities for children	Offer hands-on experiences that	fire service, nurses, doctors and
to ask questions or make	to begin to organise events using	deepen children's understanding,	teachers. Listen to what children say
comments.	basic chronology, recognising that	such as visiting a local area that	about their own experiences with
Encourage children to share	things happened before they	has historical importance. Include a	people who are familiar to them.
pictures of their family and	were born.	focus on the lives of both women	
listen to what they say about	Frequently share texts, images,	and men.	
the pictures.	and tell oral stories that help		

Using examples from real life
and from books, show children
how there are many different
families. Frequently share
texts, images, and tell oral
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Show images of familiar situations in the past, such as homes, schools, and transport.

Look for opportunities to observe children talking about experiences

Look for opportunities to observe children talking about experiences that are familiar to them and how these may have differed in the past. Offer opportunities for children to begin to organise events using basic chronology, recognising that things happened before they were born. Feature fictional and non-fictional characters from a range of cultures and times in storytelling.

Development Matters: (Non-Statutory Guidance)

- Talk about members of their immediate family and community.
- Name and describe people who are familiar to them.
- Understand that some places are special to members of their community.
- Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.

Assessment

- Listen to what children say about fictional and non-fictional characters from stories from a range of cultures and times.
- Begin to develop an understanding of the past and present

Vocabulary

Today, yesterday, tomorrow, present, past, future, when I was little, remember, long ago, order, sequence, old, new, then, now

ELG: Past and Present (Statutory)

Children at the expected level of development will:

- Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society
- Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class
- Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling

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