



Benson C of E Primary School writing

Child's name:	Date started:	
	Date completed:	

Assessment Focus (AF)	Level 4	Level 5
AF5: Vary sentences for clarity, purpose & effect.	<p>I have tried to vary my sentence length for effect, for instance, the use of short sentences to build tension.</p> <p>I have used complex sentences throughout my writing, including connectives like: <i>if, when & because</i>.</p> <p>I have tried to vary the structure of my sentences to make my writing more interesting, for instance: <i>Humming loudly, the woman entered the shop</i>, instead of: <i>The woman entered the shop humming loudly</i>.</p> <p>I have used different verb tenses accurately in my writing.</p>	<p>I have varied my sentence length for effect, for instance, the use of short sentences to build tension.</p> <p>I have used mixture of simple, compound (two main clauses usually joined together by 'and') and complex sentences (using a wide range of connectives like: <i>meanwhile, consequently, moreover, although</i> etc) throughout my writing.</p> <p>I have varied the structure of my sentences to make my writing more interesting, for instance by beginning sentences with the subordinate clause rather than the main clause like: <i>Since it was pouring with rain, the children could not go out to play</i>.</p>
AF6: Write with technical accuracy of syntax & punctuation in phrases, clauses & sentences.	<p>I have used question marks and exclamation marks accurately and commas to separate items in a list.</p> <p>I have used speech marks accurately and I have tried to use other speech punctuation, for instance commas to separate the speech from the rest of the sentence (like: The new child asked, "Where is the tuck shop?") & beginning a new paragraph when someone new speaks.</p> <p>I have tried to use commas to mark clauses in complex sentence, where appropriate, for instance: <i>When you begin a sentence with a subordinate clause, you need to use a comma</i>.</p>	<p>I have used full stops and capital letters, question, exclamation and speech marks accurately throughout my writing.</p> <p>I have used commas accurately to mark clauses in all but the most complicated sentences.</p>
AF3: Organise, & present whole texts effectively, sequencing & structuring information, ideas & events.	<p>I can write stories with an opening, build up, problem (dilemma) and a resolution, using a paragraph for each.</p> <p>When I am writing non-fiction texts, I can group and sequence my ideas logically, using connectives where appropriate.</p> <p>I have written a clear opening and ending.</p>	<p>I have structured my ideas clearly and logically in paragraphs throughout my writing</p> <p>I have made clear links between my paragraphs.</p> <p>I have made sure that my conclusion/ending ties up with my introduction/beginning.</p>
AF4: Construct paragraphs & use cohesion within & between paragraphs.	<p>I have explained or described my ideas fully.</p> <p>I have organised my ideas, starting a new paragraph when there is a change in subject, time or place.</p> <p>I have made links between paragraphs by using connectives, for instance, <i>firstly, next, finally, if, when & because</i>.</p>	<p>I have made clear chronological links (by using time connectives) or logical links (by using connectives like <i>consequently, moreover, although</i> etc) within and between paragraphs throughout my writing.</p> <p>I have ensured cohesion by using pronouns unambiguously to link ideas within paragraphs together and by references back to the text throughout my writing.</p>
AF1: Write imaginative, interesting & thoughtful texts.	<p>I have interested my reader by using noun phrases to describe the way people or things look, for instance, the lizard with its <i>green, scaly</i> skin is a <i>master of camouflage</i>.</p> <p>I have used adverbial phrases to describe how people or things behave or talk, for instance: The lizard catches its prey, <i>fatally</i> injuring its victim <i>with its poisonous sting</i>.</p> <p>I have tried to write from a particular viewpoint (for instance from the viewpoint of the main character in a story or as an expert in a non-fiction text).</p>	<p>I have used imaginative or interesting detail throughout my writing by including a range of noun and adverbial phrases.</p> <p>I have written from a particular viewpoint and tried to maintain this throughout my writing.</p>
AF2: Produce texts which are appropriate to the task, reader & purpose.	<p>I have thought about my audience and have tried to write in an appropriate style.</p> <p>I have used the main features of the type of writing I am doing (you may have used a success ladder to help you with this).</p>	<p>I have written in an appropriate style throughout my writing to maintain my reader's interest.</p> <p>I have used all of the features of the type of writing I am doing and I have adapted where appropriate.</p>
AF7: Select appropriate & effective vocabulary.	<p>I have sometimes deliberately chosen interesting vocabulary to suit the type of writing I am doing.</p> <p>I have used topic related words in non-fiction writing appropriate to the subject.</p>	<p>I have deliberately chosen interesting vocabulary to suit the type of writing I am doing throughout my writing for instance by using figurative language (metaphors and similes) where appropriate.</p> <p>I have used a wide range of topic related words in non-fiction writing appropriate to the subject.</p>
AF8: Use correct spelling.	<p>I have spelt most present & past verb endings (<i>-ing, -ed</i>), most adverbs with the <i>-ly</i> ending (like: <i>quickly, slowly, calmly</i>) and most polysyllabic words and plurals correctly.</p> <p>I have tried to spell homophones correctly.</p>	<p>I have spelt almost all verb and adverb endings, comparatives (<i>-er</i>), superlatives (<i>-est</i>), suffixed or prefixed words and polysyllabic words correctly.</p> <p>I have spelt most words with unstressed vowels correctly..</p>
Hand writing & presentation.	<p>I have made all of my letters the same size and I have tried to join them correctly.</p>	<p>I have made all of my letters the same size and I have tried to join them correctly.</p>