

Year 1	Animals including	Seasonal Changes	Plants	Everyday			
	Humans			Materials			
Year 2	Animals including	Living things and	Plants	Use of Everyday			
	Humans	their habitats		Materials			
Year 3	Animals including		Plants	Rocks	Forces and	Light	
	Humans				Magnets		
Year 4	Animals including	Living things and		States of Matter	Electricity		Sound
	Humans	their habitats					
Year 5	Animals including	Living things and		Properties and	Forces		Earth and Space
	Humans	their habitats		Changes of			
				Materials			
Year 6	Animals including	Living things and			Electricity	Light	Evolution and
	Humans	their habitats					inheritance

National Curriculum Unit – Year 1 Animals including Humans

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Identify and name a variety of 	Children know about similarities and	In year 2, children will:	Human
common animals including fish,	differences in relation to places, objects,	 Describe how animals obtain 	Animal
amphibians, reptiles, birds and	materials and living things. They talk about	their food from plants and	Mammal
mammals.	the features of their own immediate	other animals, using the idea of	Reptile
 Identify and name a variety of 	environment and how environments might	a simple food chain, and	Amphibian
common animals that are	vary from one another. They make	identify and name different	Bird
carnivores, herbivores and	observations of animals and plants and	sources of food. (yr 2 Living	Fish
omnivores.	explain why some things occur and talk	things and their habitats)	Carnivore
 Describe and compare the 	about changes. (Early Learning Goal)	 Describe how living things are 	Herbivore
structure of a variety of common		classified into broad groups	Omnivore



PRIMARY ACADEMY	Science Progression - Knowledge and Skills	
animals (fish, amphibians,	according to common	Head
reptiles, birds and mammals,	observable characteristics and	Body
including pets.)	based on similarities and	Eyes
 Identify, name, draw and label 	differences, including	Ears
the basic parts of the human	microorganisms, plants and	Mouth
body and say which part of the	animals. (yr 6 living things and	Teeth
body is associated with which	their habitats)	Leg
sense.	 Give reasons for classifying 	Tail
	plants and animals based on	Wing
	specific characteristics. (Yr 6	Claw
	Living things and their habitats)	Fin
Key Concepts		Scales
Animals vary in different ways and have diff	erent structures.	Feathers
 Wings, tails, ears, shells, 		Fur
Animals have different skin coverings, include	ing:	Beak
 Hair, feathers, fur 		Claw
These are considered key identifying feature	s of animals.	Hooves
Animals have different diets:		Names of animals
 Herbivores – eat plants 		experienced first-
 Carnivores – eat animals 		hand from each of
 Omnivores – eat animals and plants 		the animal groups.
Humans have basic parts of the body, which	are common for everyone. However, these can vary:	Parts of the human

• Hair colour/length, eye colour, skin colour,

Humans have five senses. Each sense is linked to a basic part of the body

- Sight (eyes)
- Touch (any part of the body can touch, but we usually take things with our hands)
- Smell (nose)
- Taste (mouth)
- Hear (ears)

body (this could link to year 1 PSHE list of vocabulary)

Sight, touch, smell, taste, hear **Key Scientist**



Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Only four legged animals, such as pets, are mammals.
- Humans are not animals
- Insects are not animals
- All 'bugs' or 'creepy crawlies' are part of the insect group.
- Amphibians and reptiles are the same.
- Although we often use our fingers to feel things, all parts of our bodies (e.g. when we fall over, we feel pain when we land on our knees).

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
Is our sense of smell better	How can we sort animals	Make first hand	Look for patterns between	Do animals in the different
when we can't see?	according to what they eat?	observations of different	people – e.g. do people with	animal groups have the
		animals.	the biggest hands have the	same senses as humans?
Can we use our sense of	How can we classify animals		biggest feet?	
touch to identify objects	using a range of features?	How does my height change		
when we can't see?		over the year?	What happens to the length	
			of my arms when I grow	
What foods can I identify by			taller?	
taste?				

National Curriculum Unit - Year 2 Animals including Humans

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
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- Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring, which grow into adults.
- Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air.)
- Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.
- Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. (yr 1 Animals including Humans)
- Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with which sense. (Yr 1 Animals including humans.)
- Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amounts of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat. (yr 3 Animals including Humans)
- Describe the differences in the lifestyles of a mammal, an insect and a bird (yr 5 Living things and their Habitats.)
- Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals (yr 5 Living things and their habitats)
- Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function (yr 6 Animals, including Humans)

Offspring Growth Child Baby Young Egg spawn

Young and old stages of different animals Human: Baby Toddler Child

(Chicken/hen)
(Caterpillar/Butterfly)

Exercise
Heartbeat
Breathing
Hygiene
Germs
Disease

Teenager Adult

Food types Meat Fish Vegetables

Key Concepts.

All animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults

- Some animals given birth to live young, such as humans, cats, dogs etc
- Some animals will lay eggs which will hatch, such as chickens, insects, snakes
- Some will look different to their parents, such as tadpoles and caterpillars.

All animals, including humans, have the basic needs of feeding, drinking and breathing in order to survive.

To grow into healthy adults, they need the right amounts and types of food and exercise. (In year 2, children **do not** need to know about carbohydrates, fibre, vitamins, protein fats etc as this is taught in year 3. Children should make links to food by using meat, fish, vegetables, fruit, bread, rice, pasta etc)



Good hygiene is important in preventing infections and illnesses.	Bread
	Rice
Common Misconceptions	Pasta
Some children may think that:	
An animals habitat is like its 'home'	
All animals that live in the sea are fish	
Respiration is breathing	
Breathing is respiration	

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
What is the best out of hand	Which offspring belong to	How does a		What food do you need for
gel, soap or hot water to	which animal?	tadpole/caterpillar/baby		a healthy diet and why?
wash our hands?		change over a period of		
		time?		Ask questions to a parent
				about how they look after
				their baby.
				Ask questions to a pet
				owner about how they look
				after the animal.

National Curriculum Unit – Year 3 Animals including Humans

National Curriculum Previous Learning Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
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- Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amounts of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat.
- Identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.
- Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. (Yr 1 animals including Humans.)
- Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. (Yr 1 Animals including Humans.)
- Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets). (Yr 1 Animals including Humans)
- Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air.) (Yr 2 Animals including Humans)
- Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene. Yr 2 Animals including Humans

- Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans. (Yr 4 Animals including Humans)
- Identify the different types of teeth in humans and there simple functions. (Yr 4 Animals including Humans)
- Construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey. (Yr 4 Animals including Humans)
- Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function (Yr 6 Animals including Humans)

Nutrition Nutrients Carbohydrates Sugars

Fats

Minerals Vitamins

Protein

Fibre

Water Skeleton

Endoskeleton

Exoskeleton

Hydrostatic

skeleton Muscles

Bones

Support

Protect

Move

Skull Ribs

Spine

(other names of bones of skeleton) joints

Key Concepts

Unlike plants, which make their own food, animals need to eat to get the nutrients they need. Different foods contain different nutrients

- Carbohydrates (including sugars), protein, vitamins, minerals, fats, sugars, water, fibre
- These help the body to stay healthy



• Sometimes a food item can have more than one different nutrient.

Humans and some other animals, have skeletons and muscles Skeletons have 3 main jobs:

- Movement
- Protection
- Support

Different animals have different types of skeleton:

- Endoskeleton
- Exoskeleton
- Hydrostatic skeleton

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Certain whole food groups like fats are 'bad' for you.
- Certain specific food, like cheese, are also 'bad' for you.
- Diet and fruit drinks are 'good' for you.
- Snakes are similar to worms, so they must also be invertebrates.

Invertebrates have no form of skeleton.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
What happens to the	How can you sort animals	How does the human	Can people with longer legs	Use food labels to research
circumference of the	into different groups based	skeleton change over time?	run faster?	the nutritional content of a
forearm, when the elbow is	on the skeletons that they	(from birth to adulthood)	Can people with bigger	range of different foods.
bent at different angles?	have?		hands catch a ball better?	
			Can people with longer arms	Use food labels to answer
	How can we sort food into a		hold more weight?	enquiry questions
	range of different groups?			



PRIMARY ACADEMY	Science i rogiession knowledge and	JKIIIJ
		E.g. How much fat do
		different types of pizza
		contain?
		How much sugar are in
		different fizzy drinks?
		Research functions and different types of skeleton.

National Curriculum Unit - Year 4 Animals including Humans

National Curriculum

- Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans.
- Identify the different types of teeth in humans and there simple functions.
- Construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.

Previous Learning

- Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores (Yr 1 Animals including Humans)
- Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals including humans, for survival (food, water, air) (Yr 2 Animals including Humans)
- Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene. (Yr 2 Animals including Humans)

Future Learning

- Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. (yr 6 Animals including Humans)
- Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function (Yr 6 Animals including Humans)
- Describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans. (Yr 6 Animals including Humans)

Key Vocabulary

Digestive system
Digestion
Mouth
Tongue
Saliva
Oesophagus
Stomach
Stomach acid
Small intestines
Large intestines
Rectum
Anus
Nutrients
Teeth
Incisors



PRIMARY ACADEMY	Science Progression - Knowledge and Skills	
	Identify that animals, including	Canines
	humans, need the right types and	Premolars
	amounts of nutrition, and that	Molars
	they cannot make their own	Wisdom teeth
	food; they get nutrition from	Herbivore
	what they eat. (Yr 3 Animals	Carnivore
	including Humans)	Omnivore
Key Concepts		Food chain
These are the stages of the hum	an digestive system:	Food web
 Food enters the body th 	rough the mouth	Producer
 Teeth tear, rip and chew 	r food, breaking it down.	Predator
 Saliva is mixed with the 	food.	Prey
 The tongue rolls food int 	to a ball.	
 When swallowed, food g 	goes down the oesophagus and into the stomach.	
 Stomach acid is mixed w 	rith the food	
 The stomach churns the 	food, breaking it down further.	
 Food then travels into the 	ne small intestine.	
 Nutrients from the food 	are removed in the small intestines.	
The nutrients leave the or a second control of the control of	digestive system, for use elsewhere in the body.	
 Food remaining in the sr 	mall intestine travels to the large intestine.	
 In the large intestine, was 	ater is removed and used elsewhere in the body.	
 All remaining waste is th 	nen stored in the rectum.	
Waste then leaves the b	ody through the anus.	
Humans have four types of teeth	ո։	
 incisors for cutting 		
 canines for tearing 		
 molars for grinding or ch 	newing	
 premolars for grinding o 	_	
	of molar, which come through later in life).	



Living things can be classified as producers, predators and prey according to their place in the food chain.

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Arrows in a food chain means 'eats'
- The death of one of the parts of the food chain or web has no, or limited, effect on the rest of the food chain.
- There is always plenty of food for wild animals.
- Your stomach is where your belly button is.
- Food is digested only in the stomach.
- When you have a meal, food goes down one tube and drink goes down another tube.
- All the food you eat becomes 'poo' and all the liquid you drink turns to 'wee'.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
How do eggshells change over time when they are left in different liquids (orange juice, coke, water, milk)?	Do the types of teeth an animal have suggest whether they are herbivores, carnivores or omnivores? Can you identify animals within a habitat by using food chains.to identify prey, predators and producers?	How do eggshells change over time when they are left in different liquids (orange juice, coke, water, milk)?	Does being an omnivore, rather than a vegetarian, make a difference to our height?	Research the different parts of the digestive system. And make a model of the different processes using household objects as models for this.

National Curriculum Unit - Year 5 Animals including Humans



Nation	National Curriculum		
•	Describe the changes as humans		
	develop to old age.		

Previous Learning

 Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring, which grow into adults. (Yr 2 Animals including Humans)

Future Learning Learning in KS3

 Reproduction in humans (as an example of a mammal), including the structure and function of the male and female reproductive systems, menstrual cycles (without details of hormones), gametes, fertilisation, gestation and birth, to include the effect of maternal lifestyle on the foetus through the placenta.

Key Vocabulary Foetus Embryo Womb Pregnancy Gestation Baby Toddler Teenager Adult Elderly Growth Development Puberty

Hormones

Emotional

Physical

Key Concepts

Children should be able to explain that when a baby is young it will grow and change quickly.

- Baby new born, smiling, crawling, walking etc
- Toddler
- Child
- Teenager
- Adult
- Old age

Babies are dependent on their parents to grow.

As they grow and develop, they learn new skills

At puberty, a child's body changes and develops primary and secondary sexual characteristics. This enables the adult to reproduce.

Compare how humans change as they grow with how other animals change, particularly looking at how long the young are dependent on their parents.

- Different gestation periods
- When the animals hunt for themselves etc



Common Misconceptions Some children may think that:

- A baby grows in the mothers 'tummy'
- Babies are 'made'

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
	Can you identify all the	How have we changed in	Do larger or heavier animals	How do our bodies change
	stages in a human's life?	appearance in our lives?	have longer gestation	during puberty?
			periods?	
		How quickly do babies		
		grow? (length and mass of a		
		baby)		

National Curriculum Unit - Year 6 Animals including Humans

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Identify and name the main parts 	 Describe the importance for 	In KS3 children will learn:	Heart
of the human circulatory system,	humans of exercise, eating the	The consequences of imbalances	Pulse
and describe the functions of the	right amounts of different types	in the diet, including obesity,	Rate
heart, blood vessels and blood.	of food, and hygiene. (Yr 2	starvation and deficiency	Pumps
 Recognise the impact of diet, 	Animals including Humans)	diseases. (KS3)	Blood
exercise, drugs and lifestyle on	 Identify that animals, including 	 The effects of recreational drugs 	Blood vessels
the way their bodies function.	humans, need the right types and	(including substance misuse) on	Transported



•	Describe the ways in which
	nutrients and water are
	transported within animals,
	including humans.

amounts of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat. (Yr 3 Animals, including Humans)

- Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans (Yr 4 Animals including Humans)
- Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions. (Yr 4 Animals including Humans)

behaviour, health and life processes. (KS3)

- The structure and functions of the gas exchange system in humans, including adaptations to function (KS3)
- The mechanism of breathing to move air in and out of the lungs. (KS3)
- The impact of exercise, asthma and smoking on the human gas exchange system. (KS3)

Lungs Oxygen Carbon dioxide

Nutrients

Water Muscles

Cycle

Circulatory system

Artery

Vein Capillary

Pulmonary

Alveoli

Diet

Exercise

Drugs

Alcohol

Tobacco

Lifestyle

Key Concepts

The human circulatory system:

- The heart pumps blood in the blood vessels to the lungs.
- Oxygen goes into the blood when it is in the lungs.
- Carbon dioxide is removed from the blood in the lungs.
- Blood goes back to the heart.
- The heart then pumps the oxygenated blood around the body.
- Nutrients, water and oxygen are transported in the blood to muscles and other parts of the body where they are needed.
- As the body uses these nutrients, water and oxygen, carbon dioxide is produced as a waste product.
- Carbon dioxide is carried back to the heart in the blood.
- The cycle then starts again.

Diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle have an impact on the way our bodies function. For instance:

- How our heart and lungs work
- The likelihood of suffering from conditions like diabetes
- How fit we are
- How we feel mentally



Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Your heart is on the left side of your chest
- The heart makes blood
- Blood travels from the heart to the lungs and around the body in one loop.
- When we exercise, the heart beats faster to work the muscles more.
- Some blood in the body is blue and some is red.
- We only eat food to give us energy
- All fat is bad for you
- All diary is good for you
- Protein is good for you, so you can eat as much of it as you want to.
- Foods only contain fat if you can see it.
- All drugs are bad for you.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
How does the amount of time we exercise affect our heartbeat?		How does my heart rate change throughout the day?	Does our heart beat faster the longer we have been doing exercise?	How does the circulatory system work?
Which type of exercise has the greatest effect on our heartrate?				How are poor diets and drugs bad for us?

National Curriculum Unit – Year 1 Seasonal Changes

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Observe changes across the four 	 Children know about similarities 	 Recognise that light from the sun 	
seasons	and differences in relation to	can be dangerous and that there	Seasons



•	Observe and describe weather
	associated with the seasons and
	how day length varies.

places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes. (Early Learning Goal).

are ways to protect their eyes. (Yr 3 Light).

- Use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the Sun across the sky. (Y5 Earth and Space).
- The season's and the Earth's tilt, day length at different times of year, in different hemispheres. (KS3)

Spring Summer Autumn Winter

Weather

Sunny Rainy Windy Snowy Hot

Cold Thunder and lightning Stormy

Sun Sunrise Sunset Day length

Key Concepts

In the UK:

- Daylight hours is longest in midsummer (about 16 hours)
- Daylight hours get shorter each day from midsummer to midwinter
- There are about 8 hours of daylight in midwinter.
- Daylight hours get longer each day from midwinter to midsummer.

There are four different seasons: spring, summer, autumn and winter.

The weather in the UK changes in the different seasons.

- Winter is usually colder and rainier
- Summer is usually hotter and dryer

Other changes caused by these changes of weather include:

- Numbers or minibeasts and insects outside
- Seed and plant growth
- Leaves on trees
- Types of clothes worn by people

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:



- It always snows in winter
- It is always sunny in the summer but not sunny in the winter
- There are only flowers in spring and summer
- It rains most in the winter
- It only snows in winter, no other season

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
Does the wind always blow	What clothes would we	What is the weather like?	Do more flowers grow when	Are there plants that are in
in the same direction?	wear in different seasons?	Record the weather	there has been a long period	flower in every season?
		regularly throughout the	of sunshine?	
	What weather would we	year.		
	expect more of in different			
	seasons?	What do trees or plants look		
		like at different points in the		
		year?		

National Curriculum Unit – Year 2 Living things and their habitats

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Explore and compare the 	 Identify and name a variety of 	 Recognise that living things can 	Living
differences between things that	common wild and garden plants,	be grouped in a variety of ways.	Dead
are living, dead, and things that	including deciduous and	(Yr 4 Living things and their	Never been alive
have never been alive.	evergreen trees. (Yr 1 Plants)	habitats)	Suited
 Identify that most living things 	 Identify and describe the basic 	 Explore and use classification 	Suitable
live in habitats to which they are	structure of a variety of common	keys to help group, identify and	Basic needs
suited and describe how different	flowering plants, including trees.	name a variety of living in their	Food
habitats provide for the basic	(Yr 1 Plants)		Food chain



- needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other.
- Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including microhabitats.
- Describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of food.
- Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. (Yr 1 Animals including humans).
- Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. (Yr 1 Animals including humans).
- Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals including pets) (Yr 1 Animals including humans)
- Observe changes across the four seasons (Yr 1 Seasonal Changes)

- local and wider environment. (Yr 4 Living things and their habitats)
- Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things. (Yr 4 Living things and their habitats).
- Construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey. (Yr 4 Animals including humans)

Shelter Move feed

Names of local habitats e.g. field, woodland, pond, coast, ocean,

Names of microhabitats e.g. under logs, in bushes, under stones, in leaves etc.

Herbivore Carnivore Omnivore

Key Concepts

All objects are either living, dead or have never been alive.

- Living things are plants (including seeds) and animals.
- Dead things include dead animals and plants and parts of plants and animals that are no longer attached e.g. leaves and twigs, shells, fur, hair and feathers. (This is a simplification of what is meant be dead things, but is appropriate at this level for year 2 children to then be built on).
- An object, which is made of wood, is classed as dead.
- Objects made of plastic, rock and metal have never been alive.

Animals and plants live in a habitat, which is suited to their needs.

- Animals have suitable features to help them move/find food in the habitat
- Plants have suitable features to help them to grow well.
- Animals and plants need their habitat to provide:



- Food
- Water
- Shelter

Habitat contain different micro-habitats

- in a woodland there is:
 - a leaf litter
 - the bark of trees
 - in leaves on trees

Different micro-habitats have different conditions.

- light or dark,
- damp or dry.

Differing conditions in these micro-habitats will effect what animals and plants will live there. Animals and plants that live within a habitat are interdependent for food and shelter. The way that animals obtain their food from plants and other animals can be shown in a food chain.

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- An animal's habitat is like its 'home'
- Plants and seeds are not alive, as they cannot be seen to move.
- Fire is living as the flames move and it requires oxygen
- Arrows in a food chain means 'eats'

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Comparative/fair tests Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
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What types of habitats do	Are things in our outdoor	Can we always find insects	What conditions do	What do different animals
woodlice prefer? Damp,	environment living, dead or	in the same place outside	woodlice prefer to live in?	eat? Create simple food
cold, warm	never been alive?	throughout the year?		chains from research and
				first hand observations.
	How would you group these			
	animals and plants based on			
	the habitat you would			
	expect to find them in?			

National Curriculum Unit - Year 4 Living things and their habitats

National Curriculum

- Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways.
- Explain and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environments.
- Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

Previous Learning

- Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. (Yr 1 Plants)
- Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees. (Yr 1 Plants)
- Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles birds and mammals. (Yr 1 Animals including humans).
- Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets) (Yr 1 Animals including humans)

Future Learning

- Describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird (Yr 5 Living things and their habitats.
- Describe the process of reproduction in some plants and animals. (Yr 5 – living things and their habitat).
- Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants and animals. (Yr 6 Living things and their habitats)
- Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific

Key Vocabulary

Classification Classification keys **Environment** Habitat Human impact Positive Negative Migrate Hibernate Organism Variation Vertebrates Invertebrates Reptile Bird Amphibian Fish Mammal



• There is always plenty of food for wild animals

Science Progression - Knowledge and Skills

PRIMARY ACADEMY	Science Progression - Knowled	ge and Skills	
	Identify and name a variety of	observations. (Yr 6 Living things	Wildlife
	plants and animals in their	and their habitats).	Endangered
	habitats, including micro-		Extinct
	habitats. *Yr 2 Living things and		Conservation
	their habitats)		
Key Concepts			
Living things can be grouped or cl	lassified in different ways according to their features.		
Classification keys can be used to	help us to identify and name living things.		
Living things will live in a habitat	suited to their needs and adaptations (yr 2 learning)		
These different environments ma	y change naturally		
 through flooding 			
fire			
earthquakes.			
Humans can change the environn	nent		
 cutting down trees 			
 building roads 			
houses.			
Sometimes human change can he	elp animals and plants		
 setting up extra nature re 	eserves and protecting these		
 developing ponds 			
Sometimes human change can be	e a negative thing		
litter			
 cutting down trees 			
 pollution 			
Environments also change as a re	esult of the seasons e.g. leaves fall off trees, different flow	ers grow, more water, ice etc.	
Common Misconceptions			7
Some children may think that:			
 The death of one of the p 	parts of the food chain or web has no or limited conseque	nces on the rest of the food chain.	



- Animals only live on land
- Animals and plants can adapt to their habitats, however these habitats change
- All changes to habitats are negative.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
	How would you make or use	How do plants and animals	What happens to the	How does the environment
	a classification key to	change and behave	number of woodlice (other	change, both positively and
	identify	differently at different	insect) in an environment if	negatively, from human
	vertebrates/invertebrates	points in the year?	stones are taken away?	impact and from natural
	and microorganisms (and			impact?
	those found in the local	How has human impact		
	area)?	affected the environment?		

National Curriculum Unit - Year 5 Living things and their habitats

National Curriculum

- Describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird (Yr 5 Living things and their habitats.
- Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals. (Yr 5 – living things and their habitat).

Previous Learning

- Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring, which grow into adults. (Yr 2 Animals including humans).
- Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. (Yr 3 Plants)

Future Learning

- Reproduction in humans (as an example of a mammal), including the structure and function of the male and female reproductive systems, menstrual cycle (without details of hormones), gametes, fertilisation, gestation and birth, to include the effect of maternal lifestyle on the foetus through the placenta. (KS3)
- Reproduction in plants, including flower structure, wind and insect

Key Vocabulary

Life
Life cycle
Reproduction
Sexual
Asexual
Sperm
Fertilisation
Egg
Live young
Metamorphosis
Plantlets
Runners



PRIMARY ACADEMY	Science i rogiession - Knowied	ge and skins	
		pollination, fertilisation, seed and	Bulbs
		fruit pollination and dispersal,	Cuttings
		including quantitative	Fertilisation
		investigation of some dispersal	Pollination
		mechanisms. (KS3)	Pregnant
Key Concepts			Gestation
As part of their life cycle, animals and plant	s reproduce.		Egg
 Most animals reproduce sexually (wo parents).		Male
The sperm from the male fertilises	the egg of the female.		Female
·			Mammal
Animals, including humans, have offspring,	which grow into adults.		Amphibian
	als, offspring are born as young and will grow ir	nto adults (e.g. babies, kittens, puppies	Insect
etc)	, , , ,		Bird
•	nich will hatch, and then the young will grow int	o adults.	
	adpoles, will go through a further change before		Jane Goodall?
Diameter was and the second by and account	L.		
Plants reproduce both sexually and asexua	ıy.		
Asexual plant reproduction			
Bulbs, tubers, runners and plantlet	s – only one parent plant		
Taking cuttings of a plant			
Sexual plant reproduction			
 Occurs through pollination 			
 Pollen carried from plant to plant b 	y insects or the wind		
Common Misconceptions			
Some children may think that:			
 All plants start as seeds 			
 All plants have flowers 			
 Plants that grow from bulbs do not 	have seeds		
 Only birds lay eggs 			



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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
	How can we compare and	What happens when I take a	Do larger animals have	How does pollination occur?
	identify differences between	cutting from a plant? (e.g.	longer periods of gestation?	
	a range of lifecycles?	mint, African violet)		
	(butterfly, human, chicken,		Do larger animals have	
	frog)	How do asexual plants	shorter life spans?	
		change over time? (Spider		
		plants, strawberries)		

National Curriculum Unit – Year 6 Living things and their habitats

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 National Curriculum Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants 	 Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. (Yr 4 Living things and their habitats) Explain and use classification keys to help group, identify and name 	 Future Learning Differences between different species (KS3) 	Key Vocabulary Vertebrates Mammals Fish Reptiles Amphibians Birds
 and animals Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics 	 a variety of living things in their local and wider environments. Yr 4 Living things and their habitats) Describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird (Yr 5 Living things and their habitats. 		Invertebrates Insects Spiders Snails Worms Flowering Non-flowering Classify



PRIMARY ACADEMY	Science Progression - Knowledge and Skins	
	Describe the life process of	Classification
	reproduction in some plants and	Compare
	animals. (Yr 5 – living things and	Organism
	their habitat).	Micro-organism
Key Concepts		Characteristics
Living things can be formally gro	ouped according to their characteristics.	Species
 Plants and animals are t 	two main groups	
 Microorganisms, such as 	s bacteria, yeast, toadstools and mushrooms do not fit into either of these groups	
		Carl Linnaeus
Plants can make their own food	but animals cannot.	Linnaean
Animals can be divided into two	n main groups	
Vertebrates	, main g. oaps	
Invertebrates		
Vertebrates can be divided into	five groups	
• Fish	9. c. p. c.	
Amphibians		
 Reptiles 		
Birds		
 Mammals 		
Invertebrates can be divided int	o a number of groups including:	
Insects		
Spiders		
Snails		
worms		
Plants can be divided broadly in	to two main groups	
flowering plants		
 non-flowering plants. 		
Common Misconceptions		



- All micro-organisms are harmful
- Mushrooms are plants

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
How does the temperature	How can we group and	What happens to bread if		Who is Carl Linnaeus and
effect how yeast behaves?	classify different animals	you leave it on the		what is his classification
	and present our	windowsill for 2 weeks?		system?
	information?	How does it change over		
		time?		
	How can we identify and			
	classify a plant or animal			
	that we have no prior			
	knowledge about?			
	Create an animal that has			
	features from more than			
	one group. How would you			
	classify it?			

National Curriculum Unit – Year 1 Plants

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Identify and name a variety of 	Children know about similarities and	 Observe and describe how seeds 	Leaf
common wild and garden plants,	differences in relation to places, objects,	and bulbs grow into mature	Flower
including deciduous and	materials and living things. They talk	plants. (Yr 2 Plants)	Blossom
evergreen trees.	about the features of their own	 Find out and describe how plants 	Petal
	immediate environment and how	need water, light and a suitable	Fruit



PRIMARY ACADEMY	Science Progression - Knowie	euge and skins	
Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees.	environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes. (Early Learning Goal)	temperature to grow and stay healthy. (Yr 2 Plants) Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including microhabitats. (Yr 2 Living things and their habitats) Identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flower. (Yr 3 Plants) Investigate the way in which water is transported within plants. (Yr 3 Plants)	Berry Root Seed Trunk Branch Stem Bark Stalk Bud Names of trees in the local area Names of flowers and plants in the
 Key Concepts Plants Name plants in local area Identify common parts of plants (le Look for similarities and differences Look at key characteristics to find o Colour of petals Size Shape of flower etc. 	s between these common parts		local area
Trees • Evergreen – keep their leaves all yee • Deciduous – lose their leaves in aut Name types of trees in local area. Common Misconceptions Some children may think that:			



- Plants are only grown in pots and have coloured flowers and petals and have leaves and a stem.
- Trees are not plants
- All leaves are green
- All stems are green
- A trunk is not a stem
- Blossom is not a flower.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
Which soil type helped the	How can we sort different	How does a tree change	Do trees with the biggest	What are the names of the
sunflower to grow the	leaves/seeds/flowers?	over the year?	leaves lose their leaves first	most common British
tallest?			in autumn?	plants?
		How does a daffodil bulb		
		change over the year?		
		How has my sunflower		
		changed each week?		

National Curriculum Unit – Year 2 Plants

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Observe and describe how seeds 	 Identify and name a variety of 	 Identify and describe the 	Leaf
and bulbs grow into mature	common wild and garden plants,	functions of different parts of	Flower
plants.	including deciduous and	flowering plants: roots,	Blossom
 Find out and describe how plants 	evergreen trees. (Yr 1 Plants)	stem/trunk, leaves and flowers.	Petal
need water, light and a suitable	 Identify and describe the basic 	(Yr 3 Plants)	Fruit
temperature to grow and stay	structure of a variety of common	 Explore the requirements of 	Berry
healthy.	flowering plants, including trees.	plants for life and growth (air,	Root
	(Yr 1 Plants)	light, water, nutrients from soil,	Seed



PRIMARY ACADEMY	Science Progression - Knowledge and Skills	
	and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant. (Yr 3 Plants) Investigate the way in which water is transported within plants. (Yr 3 Plants) Explore the parts that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. (Yr 3 Plants)	Trunk Branch Stem Bark Stalk Bud Germinate Names of trees in the local area
Seeds and bulbs need to be plantedDifferent plants will germinate and	ings. lant. ich can develop into seeds, berries or fruit. I in order for them to grow. grow at different rates. ear 3 – children should be given the opportunity to explore planting and growing	Names of flowers and plants in the local area Light Shade Sun Warm Cool Water
Some plants grow and survive in different control of the full sun of the full	s d stay healthy	Grow Healthy
Plants are not alive as they cannot lSeeds are not alive	oe seen to move	



- All plants start out as seeds
- Seeds and bulbs need sunlight to germinate

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
Which temperature/location/amount of water is best for growing cress/beans/sunflowers? What is similar and different about the different plants we are growing? How tall have our different plants grown?	How can we classify seeds and bulbs?	What happens to my bean when I plant it to when it is fully grown?	Do bigger seeds grow into bigger plants?	When is it best to plant different types of plants? What do plants need in order to grow and be healthy?

National Curriculum Unit – Year 3 Plants

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Identify and describe the 	 Observe and describe how seeds 	 Describe the life process of 	Photosynthesis
functions of different parts of	and bulbs grow into mature	reproduction in some plants and	Pollen
flowering plants: roots,	plants. (Yr 2 Plants)	animals. (Yr 5 Living things and	Insect/wind
stem/trunk, leaves and flowers.	 Find out and describe how plants 	their habitats)	pollination
 Explore the requirements of 	need water, light and a suitable	 Reproduction in plants, including 	Seed formation
plants for life and growth (air,	temperature to grow and stay	some flower structure, wind and	Seed dispersal
light, water, nutrients from soil,	healthy. (Yr 2 Plants)	insect pollination, fertilisation,	



Science Progress	ion - Knowledge and Skills	
 and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant. Investigate the way in which water is transported within plants. Explore the parts that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. 	seed and fruit formation and dispersal, including quantitative investigation of some dispersal mechanisms. (KS3)	Wind, animal and water dispersal. Fertilisation Germination Ovary Ovule Sepal Stamen
		Anther Filament
 Key Concepts Many plants, but not all of them, have Roots – which anchor the plant into the soil and absorb nutrie 	ents and water	Style
 stems/trunks – supports the plant. Transports water, nutrient leaves – produce food for the plant, using sunlight and water flowers/blossom – enables the plant to reproduce These parts have different jobs to help the plants survive (stated above 		Flower Leaf Stem Roots Trunk
Flowers enable the plant to reproduce		Petal
the male part of the plant produces pollen		Seed
 pollen is transferred to the female part of the plant during pol Seeds then form Seeds can also be found in berries and fruit. Seeds, berries or fruit are then dispersed. The seeds are then ready to germinate and the cycle starts ag 		Nutrients Absorb Air Light Water
Seeds can be dispersed by:		Soil
The wind		
Water		
Animals		



•	Explosions	(pods)
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Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Plants eat food
- Food comes from the soil via the roots
- Flowers are just decorative and have no other function other than to make the plant look pretty.
- Plants only need sunlight to keep them warm
- Roots suck in water, which is then sucked up the stem.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
What happens to plants	How many different ways	What happens to white	Does it change how quickly	Research the different types
when they are put into	can you group our seed	carnations or celery when	the petals change colour on	of seed dispersal
different conditions? E.g.	collection, including how	they are put in coloured	a white carnation depending	
dark, light, deprived of air,	they could be dispersed?	water?	on how long the stem is?	
types of soil, varying				
amounts of space.		What different flowers,		
		fruits, berries grow outside		
Which shape seed travels		in our local environment		
the furthest during seed		throughout the year?		
dispersal?				

National Curriculum Unit – Year 1 Everyday Materials.

Nat	tional Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
	 Distinguish between an object 	Children know about similarities and	 Identify and compare the 	Object
	and the material from which it is	differences in relation to places, objects,	suitability of a variety of everyday	Material
	made.	materials and living things. They talk	materials, including wood, metal,	Wood
		about the features of their own	plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper	Plastic



- Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock.
- Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of every day materials.
- Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties.

immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes (Early Learning Goal) and cardboard for particular uses.
(Yr 2 Uses of Everyday Materials).
Find out how the shapes of solid

 Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. (Yr 2 Uses of Everyday Materials). Glass Metal Water Rock Brick Paper

Fabric Elastic

Foil Card

Rubber

Wool

Clay

Hard

Soft Stretchy

Stiff

Bendy Floppy

Waterproof

Absorbent

Rough Smooth

Shiny

Dull See-through

Not see-through

Key Concepts

All objects are made from at least one material.

These materials can include

- Wood
- Plastic
- Metal
- Glass
- Water
- rock.

Different materials have different properties which we can describe them using

- shiny
- stretchy
- rough
- hard
- smooth

(see vocabulary list)

Materials can sometimes come in different forms and are then used for very different reasons, for instance plastic.



- Bag
- Water bottle
- Plastic wallet etc

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Only fabrics are materials
- The word 'rock' describes an object rather than a material.
- 'solid' is another word for hard.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
How can we test the	Can we identify the		Is the thickest material the	
properties of different	materials different objects		most absorbent?	
materials for suitability for a	are made from?			
specific job?				
 Absorbency of 	How can we classify objects			
different cloths	made out of the same			
 Strength of paper 	material?			
party hats made				
from different types	How can we classify			
of paper	materials based on their			
 How waterproof a 	properties?			
shelter or a				
different jacket				
might be.				

National Curriculum Unit – Year 2 Uses of Everyday Materials

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
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- Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses.
- Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.
- Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made. (Yr 1 Everyday Materials)
- Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock. (Yr 1 Everyday Materials
- Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of every day materials. (Yr 1 Everyday Materials)
- Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties. (Yr 1 Everyday Materials)

- Compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties (Yr 3 Rocks)
- Notice that some forces need contact between two objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance. (Yr 3 Forces and Magnet)
- Compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets.(Yr 5 Properties and Changes of Materials)
- Give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic. (Yr 5 Properties and Changes of Materials)

Wood Metal Plastic Glass Brick Rock Paper Cardboard

Opaque
Transparent
Translucent
Reflective
Non-reflective
Flexible
Rigid
(and properties of
materials taught in
year 1)

Shape
Push/pushing
Pull/pulling
Twist/twisting
Squash/squashing
Bend/bending
Stretch/stretching

Key Concepts

All objects are made of one or more materials that are chosen specifically because they have suitable properties for the task.

- a water bottle is made of plastic
 - it is transparent (allowing the liquid to be seen in the bottle).
 - waterproof (allowing the water to be held)



Using different materials

- properties of materials need to be considered when selecting a material for a specific job.
- Properties are identified through simple tests and classifying activities.
 - Absorbent
 - Strength
 - Waterproof etc
- A material can be used for more than one job based on its properties.
- An object can be made of more than one material.

Sometimes the materials used when making an object allow it to change shape

- Bending, stretching, squashing, twisting etc
- E.g. clay can be shaped by squashing, stretching, rolling, pressing

These are all examples of the properties of materials.

These properties can vary depending on how the material has been processed (e.g. thickness).

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Only fabrics are materials
- The word 'rock' describes an object rather than a material.
- 'solid' is another word for hard.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
How can we test the	How can we classify		Are heavy objects made out	
properties of different	materials according to their		of the strongest materials?	
materials for suitability for a	properties?			
specific job?				
 How stretchy fabric 	How can we classify			
is – which would	different objects made of			



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make the best gym	the same material, but with		
outfit?	different properties?		
 Which would make 			
the best waterproof			
jacket?			
 Which would make 			
the best house?			

National Curriculum Unit – Year 3 Rocks

National Curriculum

- Compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties.
- Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock.
- Recognise that soils are made of rocks and organic matter.

Previous Learning

- Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made. (Yr 1 Everyday Materials)
- Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock. (Yr 1 Everyday Materials)
- Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties. (Yr 1 Everyday Materials)
- Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses. (Yr 2 Uses of Everyday Materials)

Future Learning

- Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago. (Yr 6 Evolution and Inheritance.)
- The composition of the Earth (KS3)
- The structure of the Earth (KS3)
- The rock cycle and the formation of igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rocks. (KS3)

Key Vocabulary

Rock Stone Pebble Boulder Grain Crystals Layers

Hard Soft Texture

Absorb water Soil Fossil Marble

Chalk Granite Sandstone Slate Soil



• Man-made substances like bricks and concrete are rocks

Science Progression - Knowledge and Skills

Science Progression - Knowledge and Skills	
Key Concepts	Peat
Rocks are naturally occurring. There are lots of different types of rocks. These including	Sandy
• Sandstone	Chalk
• Limestone	Clay
• Chalk	Soil
• Slate	Igneous
	Metamorphic
Rocks have a range of properties and appearance.	Sedimentary
Rocks can be both hard and soft.	
Rocks are made up of different sized grains or crystals.	
Rocks can absorb water.	
 Rocks can be different sizes and shapes such as pebbles, stones or boulders. 	
Soil is a mixture of	
animal and plant material (organic matter)	
small rocks that are found on the ground.	
Soils differ depending on	
 the type of rock on the ground where the soil is formed 	
the amount of animal and plant materials that are in the soil.	
All these factors affect the properties of the soil.	
Sometimes rocks can contain fossils.	
 formed millions of years ago. 	
both plants and animals.	
• When plants or animals died, they would have landed on the seabed and eventually been covered and squashed by other	
material. Over time the dissolving animal and plant matter is replaced by minerals from the water.	
Common Misconceptions	
Some children may think that:	
Rocks are all hard	



- If a piece of natural rock has been shaped to be used for a specific purpose it is no longer a rock (e.g. granite worktop)
- All artefacts found in the soil are fossils (e.g. pottery, coins, bricks)
- A fossil is an actual piece of the extinct animal or plant.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
What happens to a range of	How can rocks be classified	How have rocks changed	If we hit rocks different	What are the different types
rocks if they are shaken?	based on their appearance?	over time? (children could	types of rocks together, they	of fossil and how were they
What does this tell us about		be taken to look at the	will erode at the same rate?	formed?
the properties of these		gravestones in the		
types of rocks?		churchyard.)		Who was Mary Anning and
				what is she famous for?
How much water do		How do different rocks		
different rocks absorb?		appear differently when		
		looked at closely (using		
How well do different types		magnifiers or microscopes?)		
of soil retain water?				
		How do worms help turn		
		organic matter into soil?		

National Curriculum Unit – Year 4 States of Matter

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Compare and group materials 	 Distinguish between an object 	 Compare and group together 	Solid
together, according to whether	and the material from which it is	everyday materials on the basis	Liquid
they are solids, liquids and gases.	made. (Yr 1 Everyday Materials)	of their properties, including their	Gas
 Observe that some materials 	 Identify and name a variety of 	hardness, solubility,	State change
change state when they are	everyday materials, including	transparency, conductivity	Melting
heated and cooled, and measure	wood, plastic, glass, metal, water	(electrical and thermal), and	Freezing



- or research the temperature at which this happens in degree Celsius (°C)
- Identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature.
- and rock. (Yr 1 Everyday Materials)
- Describe the physical simple properties of a variety of everyday materials. (Yr 1 Everyday Materials)
- Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties. (Yr 1 Everyday Materials)
- Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, metal, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses. (Yr 2 Uses of everyday materials)
- Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. (Yr 2 Uses of everyday materials).

- response to magnets. (Yr 5 Properties and changes of materials)
- Know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover a substance from a solution. (Yr 5 Properties and changes of materials)
- Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating. (Yr 5 Properties and changes of materials)
- Give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic. (Yr 5 Properties and changes of materials)
- Demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible changes. (Yr 5 Properties and changes of materials)
- Explain that some changes result in the formation of new materials, and that this kind of change is not usually reversible,

Melting point Boiling point Evaporation Condensation Temperature Water cycle Precipitation Ground water



including changes associated with
burning and the action of acid on
bicarbonate of soda. (Yr 5
Properties and changes of
materials)

Key Concepts

Solids, liquids and gases behave differently to each other.

Solids

- Keep their shape
- Have a fixed volume

Liquid

- Has a fixed volume
- Change its shape to the shape of the container it is held in
- Liquids can be poured
- When a liquid is in a container, the surface is flat and horizontal

Gas

- Fills all available space
- No fixed shape
- No fixed volume

Some solids can be made out of small grains, such as sand, and can sometimes be confused with liquids as it appears like they can be poured. However, when they are poured, they do not form a flat surface like a liquid. Each individual grain has the properties of a solid.

Changing states

- Melting a change of state from solid to a liquid
- Freezing a change of state from a liquid to a solid
- Boiling a change of state from a liquid to a gas
 - Different liquids boil at different temperatures
 - Bubbles appear in the liquid when a liquid is starting to boil. This is the gas starting to form.
- Evaporation a change of state from a liquid to a gas



- This happens more slowly than boiling
- It occurs on the surface of the liquid
- It occurs at a lower temperature than boiling
- Evaporation will occur quicker if the temperature is higher, the liquid is more spread out or it is windy.
- Condensation a change of state from a gas to a liquid

The water cycle

- Water falls to the Earth when it rains
- This water flows into rivers and then seas.
- When it rains it is called precipitation
- When it is warm enough, water evaporates from the seas and rivers.
- It forms a gas and rises.
- As it rises it will cool down and condense.
- This condensed water forms clouds.
- Water droplets start to form in the clouds.
- Eventually, the cloud gets too heavy and bursts, causing the water to fall as rain, snow, sleet.
- Water falls to the Earth when it rains.
- The cycle starts again.

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Solid is another word for hard
- Solids are always hard and cannot break or change shape.
- Substances that are made of very small grains are not solids (e.g. sugar or sand).
- Balloons are lighter when they have been blown up with air.
- Water in different states are different substances (steam, water, ice)
- All liquids boil at the same temperature as water (100°C)
- Melting is the same as dissolving
- Water disappears when it is evaporated or when it is boiled
- The changes in the water cycle are irreversible.
- Evaporation occurs when the Sun sucks up the water, or when water that is on a surface is absorbed into it.



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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
How can we get ice to melt	How can we classify a range	What happens to a material	Do larger blocks of ice melt	Research the water cycle.
quickly?	of solids?	when it is heated or cooled?	fully quicker than smaller	
		(Observation of changing	blocks of ice in the same	
What is the melting point of	How can we classify a range	state)	temperature?	
a range of different	of liquids?			
materials? (Chocolate,		What happens to hot water	Do puddles evaporate at the	
butter, ice etc)	How can we classify	on cold surfaces and cold	same speed on a warm day	
	materials into solids, liquids	water on hot surfaces?	and on a cool day?	
Where is the best place to	or gases?	(evaporation and		
dry washing?		condensation).		
What happens to a puddle				
on a warm day?				

National Curriculum Unit – Year 5 Properties and Changes of Materials

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Compare and group together 	 Identify and compare the 	 Chemical reactions as the 	Thermal
everyday materials on the basis	suitability of a variety of everyday	rearrangement of atoms. (KS3)	Electrical
of their properties, including	materials, including wood,	 Representing chemical reactions 	Insulator
their hardness, solubility,	plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper	using formulae and using	Conductor
transparency, conductivity	and cardboard for particular uses.	equations. (KS3)	Change of state
(electrical and thermal), and	(Yr 2 Uses of everyday materials)	 Combustion, thermal 	Mixture
response to magnets.	 Find out how the shapes of solid 	decomposition, oxidation and	Dissolve
 Know that some materials will 	objects made from some	displacement reactions. (KS3)	Solution
dissolve in liquid to form a	materials can be changed by		Soluble



- solution, and describe how to recover a substance from a solution.
- Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating.
- Give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic.
- Demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible changes.
- Explain that some changes result in the formation of new materials, and that this kind of change is not usually reversible, including changes associated with burning and the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda.

- squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. (Yr 2 Uses of everyday materials)
- Compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases. (Yr 4 States of matter)
- Observe that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled, and measure or research the temperature at which this happens in degrees Celsius (°C). (Yr 4 States of Matter)
- Identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature. (Yr 4 States of Matter)

- Defining acids and alkalis in terms of neutralisation reactions. (KS3)
- The pH scale of measuring acidity/alkalinity; and indicators. (KS3)

Insoluble Filter Sieve Reversible Irreversible Burning rusting

Key Concepts

Materials have a variety of different uses which can depend on

- The state of the material
- The properties of the material

Some properties of materials

- Hardness
- Transparency
- Electrical and thermal conductivity



Magnetism

Soluble and insoluble

- Materials that are soluble will dissolve in a liquid to form a solute.
- Materials that are insoluble will not dissolve in a liquid and form a sediment.

Separating mixtures of materials

- Filtration
- Sieving
- evaporation

Reversible changes include

- when a material has been dissolved e.g. water and salt can be separated by evaporating the water
- mixtures sand and water can be separated by filtration
- changed state chocolate can be heated to make it melt and cooled to make it solid

Changes can also be irreversible

- burning wood
- rusting
- vinegar and bicarbonate of soda
- burnt toast

These form new materials and are irreversible changes.

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Melting and dissolving are the same thing
- If you dissolve a solid in a liquid it disappears and you cannot get it back.
- Misconceptions around reversible and irreversible changes
- Misconceptions about whether something is a physical or a chemical change

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research



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What temperature do	What methods can we use	What affects the rates of	Does a material dissolve	Research different scientists
materials dissolve fastest in?	to separate materials from a	rusting?	quicker in more of the	who have invented different
	range of mixtures?		liquid?	materials. (Spencer Silver –
What liquids does sugar				the glue for sticky notes,
dissolve in?	Can we identify reversible			Ruth Benerito wrinkle free
	and irreversible changes?			cotton)
What affects the rate of				
rusting?				
Investigate materials by				
their properties. Which				
material would make a				
thermal waterproof coat?				

National Curriculum Unit – Year 3 Forces and Magnets

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Compare how things move on different surfaces. Notice that some forces need contact between two surfaces, but magnetic forces can act at a distance. Observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others. Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and 	 Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. (Yr 2 Uses of Everyday Materials). 	 Explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object. (Yr 5 Forces) Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces. (Yr 5 Forces) Recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys, and gears, allow a 	Force Push Pull Twist Contact force Non contact force Magnetic force Magnet Strength Bar magnet Ring magnet Button magnet Horseshoe magnet



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identify some magnetic materials. Describe magnets as having two poles Predict whether two magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing.	compass, representation by field lines. (KS3) • Earth's magnetism, compass and navigation. (KS3) Pole Nor	el gnetic material cal el
Key Concepts	'	
A force is a push or a pull. When an object moves on a surface, texample using ice skates on ice or using trainers on ice.	the texture of the surface and the object affect how it moves, for	
 Different surfaces – carpet, wood, glass 		
Magnetism		
A magnet attracts magnetic material		

- A magnet attracts magnetic material.
- Iron and nickel and materials containing these (e.g. stainless steel) are magnetic
- The strongest parts of a magnet are the poles.
- A magnet has a North pole and a south pole.
- Like poles repel (e.g. north and south attract),
- unlike poles attract (e.g. north and north repel)

For some forces to act there will need to be contact

- opening a door
- the wind pushing the trees

Some forces can act at a distance

Magnetism.

The magnet does not need to touch an object for it to either attract or repel it (as long as the object is magnetic).

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:



- The bigger the magnet the stronger it is
- All metals are magnetic.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
Which surface allows an	Which materials are		Does the size and shape of a	How does a compass work?
object to travel the	magnetic?		magnet effect how strong it	
furthest?			is?	
			Can a magnet attract	
Which magnet can pick up			magnetic materials through	
the most paper clips?			different mediums or at a	
			distance?	

National Curriculum Unit - Year 5 Forces

National Curriculum

- Explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object.
- Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces.
- Recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.

Previous Learning

- Compare how things move on different surfaces. (Yr 3 Forces and Magnets)
- Notice that some forces need contact between two surfaces, but magnetic forces can act at a distance. (Yr 3 Forces and Magnets)
- Observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others. (Yr 3 Forces and Magnets)

Future Learning

- Forces as pushes and pulls, arising from the interaction between two objects. (KS3)
- Using force arrows in diagrams, adding forces in one dimension, balanced and unbalanced forces. (KS3)
- Moment as the turning effect on a force. (KS3)
- Forces: associated with deforming objects; stretching and squashing – springs' with rubbing and friction between surfaces,

Key Vocabulary

Force
Gravity
Earth
Air resistance
Water resistance
Friction
Mechanisms
Levers
Pulleys
Gears



•	Compare and group together a
	variety of everyday materials on
	the basis of whether they are
	attracted to a magnet, and
	identify some magnetic
	materials. (Yr 3 Forces and
	Magnets)

- Describe magnets as having two poles (Yr 3 Forces and Magnets)
- Predict whether two magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing. (Yr 3 Forces and Magnets)

- with pushing things out of the way; resistance to motion of air and water. (KS3)
- Forces measured in Newton's, measurements of stretch or compression as force is changed (KS3)

Key Concepts

When forces act on an object, the force can cause the object to:

- Start moving
- Stop moving
- Increase or decrease in speed
- Change direction

Gravity acts on all unsupported objects, pulling them to Earth. It acts on objects from a distance.

Air resistance

- A force that acts on an object in the air.
- Contact force on an object
- Parachute uses air resistance to slow fall
- Sail on a boat uses air resistance

Water resistance

- A force that acts in water to slow things down
- Boats are effected by water resistance as they move through water

Objects can be also be stationary for air and water resistance to be acting upon them.



Friction

- Formed when an object makes contact either with another object or a surface.
- This may effect how the object moves or its speed.

Mechanisms

- Pulleys, levers and gears are all examples of mechanisms.
- A device which allows a small force to be increased to a larger force.
- The pay back is that it requires a greater movement.
- The small force moves a long distance
- The resulting large force moves a small distance.
 - A bottle opener
 - Seasaw
 - Wheelbarrow etc

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- If an object is heavier, then it will fall faster as it has more gravity acting on it.
- Forces always act in pairs which are equal and opposite.
- If a surface is smooth then it has no friction.
- Smooth surfaces mean that objects will always travel more easily.
- A stationery object has no forces acting upon it.
- Heavy objects will sink and light objects will float.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
Which material is the best to slow down a person at the bottom of the helter skelter/marble at the	Explore how levers, pulleys and gears work and classify objects depending on whether they use levers,		If a large lever/pulley or gear is used, how does the size effect the force?	Research Galileo Galilei and Isaac Newton and their work on the theory of gravitation.
bottom of a marble run?	pulleys or gears.			



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How do we get the best grip on trainers?		
Which boat shapes creates the most water resistance?		
How can we keep a parachute in the air the longest?		
Which shape sail makes the boat travel the furthest?		

National Curriculum Unit – Year 4 Electricity

National Curriculum

- Identify common appliance that run on electricity
- Construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and running its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers.
- Identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery.
- Recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate

Previous Learning

 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes. (Early Learning Goal).

Future Learning

- Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit. (Yr 6 Electricity).
- Compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers, and the on/off position of switches. (Yr 6 Electricity).
- Use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram. (Yr 6 Electricity).

Key Vocabulary

Electricity
Electrical appliance
Mains
Plug
Electrical circuit
Complete circuit
Series circuit
Cell
Battery
Negative
Positive
Connection
Short circuit
Crocodile clip



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this with whether or not a lamp		Bulb
lights in a simple series circuit.		Switch
 Recognise some common 		Buzzer
conductors and insulators, and		Motor
associate metals with being good		Conductor
conductors.		Insulator
Key Concepts		Metal
Electricity in our homes		Non-metal
 Lots of appliances that run on elect 	ricity in our homes	Symbol

Some run on the mains(plugged in)

Some use a battery (sometimes these batteries can be rechargeable so the battery gets plugged into the mains).

Circuits

- Electrical circuits need cells or batteries
- Wires are used to connect the batteries to any components in the circuit (e.g. bulbs, buzzers, switches)
- Circuit needs to be complete for the component to work
- A circuit is not complete if there is
 - a loose connection
 - a short circuit
 - a break in the circuit.
- If the circuit is not complete, the component will not work.
- Switches can be added to a circuit to turn a component on and off.
- If the switch is open (off) the component will not work
- If the switch is closed (on) the component will work.

Conductors and insulators

- Metals are good conductors, therefore are used as wires in electrical circuits.
- All other materials that are solids are insulators apart from graphite (pencil lead).
- Water also conducts electricity, unless it is completely pure.

In year 6, children will learn what happens when more batteries or an increase in a specific component is added to a circuit. Circuit symbols are also taught in year 6.

Children in Yr 4 do not need to use the symbols for the different components in an electrical circuit, as this is taught in year 6.



Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Electricity flows out of both ends of a battery.
- Electricity just goes from the battery into the component in the circuit to make it work.
- Electricity flows to a bulb to light it up and then stops when it gets to the bulb.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
Which materials are	Which materials are suitable		Does the length of a piece of	
conductors or insulators?	for wires?		metal (identical metal) effect how well it conducts	
Which metal is the best conductor?	Which materials are conductors and insulators?		electricity?	
	How would you group these appliances for where they get their power?			

National Curriculum Unit – Year 6 Electricity

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit. (Yr 6 Electricity). Compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness 	 Identify common appliance that run on electricity (Yr 4 Electricity) Construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and running its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers. (Yr 4 Electricity) 	 Electric current, measured in amperes, in circuits, series and parallel circuits, currents add where branches meet and current as flow of charge. (KS3) Potential difference, measured in volts, battery and bulb ratings resistance, measure in ohms, as 	Circuit Complete circuit Circuit diagram Circuit symbol Cell Battery Bulb Buzzer



- of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers, and the on/off position of switches. (Yr 6 Electricity).
- Use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram. (Yr 6 Electricity).
- Identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery. (Yr 4 Electricity)
- Recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit. (Yr 4 Electricity)
- Recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors. (Yr 4 Electricity)

the ratio of potential difference(p.d.) to current. (KS3)

- Differences in resistance between conducting and insulating components (quantitative). (KS3)
- Static electricity. (KS3)

Motor Switch Voltage

Children do not need a full understanding of volts/voltage, but need to recognise these on a cell or a battery and realise that not all batteries have the same power or voltage.

Key Concepts

By adding more cells or batteries to a circuit

- a bulb brighter
- a buzzer louder
- a motor spin faster.

By adding more of the same component to a circuit makes

- bulbs less bright
- buzzers quieter
- motors spin slower.

Switches can be used in circuits.

- When a switch is off (open) the circuit is broken
- electricity cannot flow through the circuit.
- bulbs, motors and buzzers will not work.
- If a switch is on (closed) the circuit is complete
- all components of the circuits will work.



Learn and use recognised circuit symbols to draw circuits.	
Common Misconceptions	
Some children may think that:	
If a battery is bigger, it will contain more electricity	
The components in the circuit that are closest to the battery will get more electricity than those further away.	

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
Which make of battery lasts	How would you group		What happens to a	
the longest?	electronic devices based on		bulb/motor/buzzer when	
	the job that they do?		you put more cells in the	
			circuit?	
			What happens to a	
			bulb/motor/buzzer if you	
			put more of each	
			component into a circuit?	

National Curriculum Unit – Year 3 Light

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Recognise that they need light to see things, and that dark is the absence of light. Notice that light is reflected from surfaces. 	 Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense. (Yr 1 Animals including humans). 	 Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines. (Yr 6 Light) Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye. (Yr 6 Light) 	Light Light source Dark Absence of light Transparent Translucent Opaque



- Recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes.
- Recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object.
- Find patterns in the way that the size of the shadows change.
- Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of every day materials (Yr 1 Everyday Materials)
- Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes. (Yr 6 Light)
- Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them. (Yr 6 Light)

Shiny Matt Surface Shadow Reflect Mirror Sunlight Dangerous

Key Concepts

We see objects around us because our eyes can see light.

- Dark is the absence of light.
- In complete darkness we cannot see anything.
- Light sources give off their own light. (e.g. sun, candles, bulbs etc)
- If there is more light we can see objects easier.
- Some objects can be reflective of light, which means even when there is less light, they will be easier to see than other objects because they are reflecting the light that is there (e.g. road signs reflect the light from car headlamps when it is dark.)

Light from the sun

- looking directly at the sun can damage our eyes.
- We can wear sunglasses and sunhats to help protect our eyes from the sun.

Shadows

- formed when an object blocks the light source.
- made by an opaque object and a translucent object.
- The size of a shadow will depend on
 - the size of the object,
 - the position of the object against the light source
 - the surface.

Common Misconceptions



Some children may think that:

- The moon and other surfaces which reflect light are light sources.
- A transparent object is a light source.
- Shadows contain detail e.g. details of facial features, details on a building.
- Shadows are a result of the object creating them creating darkness.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
Which objects are still	Which objects are light	What do we notice	What happens to the size of	Why is the sun dangerous
visible as it gets darker?	sources and which are not	happening to our shadows	the shadow if the light	for our eyes and how can
	light sources?	over the course of a day if	source is closer to the	we protect our eyes from
Which materials reflect light		we always stand in the same	object?	the sun?
more?		place?		
			What happens to the	
			position of the shadow as	
			the angle of the light source	
			is changed?	
			Does the surface the	
			shadow is falling on effect	
			the shadow?	

National Curriculum Unit – Year 6 Light

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
 Recognise that light appears to 			Light
travel in straight lines.			Light source



- Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye.
- Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes.
- Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.

- Recognise that they need light to see things, and that dark is the absence of light. (Yr Light
- Notice that light is reflected from surfaces. (Yr 3 Light)
- Recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes. (Yr 3 Light)
- Recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object. (Yr 3 Light)
- Find patterns in the way that the size of the shadows change. (Yr 3 Light)

- The similarities and differences between light waves and wave in matter. (KS3)
- Light waves travelling through a vacuum; speed of light. (KS3)
- The transmission of light through materials: absorption, diffuse scattering and specular reflection at a surface. (KS3)
- Use of ray model to explain imaging in mirrors, the pinhole camera, the refraction of light and action of convex lens in focusing (qualitative); the human eye. (KS3)
- Light transferring energy from source to absorber leading to chemical and electrical effects; photo-sensitive material in the retina and in cameras. (KS3)
- Colours and the different frequencies of light, white light and prisms (qualitative only); differential colour effects in absorption and diffuse reflection. (KS3)

Dark
Absence of light
Transparent
Translucent
Opaque
Shiny
Matt
Surface
Shadow
Reflect
Mirror
Sunlight
Dangerous
Straight lines
Light rays

Key Concepts

Light appears to travel in straight lines

- We see objects when light from them goes into our eyes.
- The light may come directly from light sources
- If the object is not a light source, it will reflect light from a light source into our eyes.



Shadows

- Objects that block light will cause shadows.
- Because light travels in straight lines the shape of the shadow will be the same as the outline shape of the object.

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

• We see objects because light travels from our eyes to the object.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
Where is the best place to	Identify and explore ways	What happens to shadows	Shadow puppets	Which material is the most
put mirrors on a car to see?	that light travels in straight	of buildings or other objects	What happens to the size of	reflective and why?
	lines.	in the school grounds	the shadow, based on	
	What happens to the light	throughout the day?	where it is from the light	
	from a torch in a straight		source?	
	tube/in a bent tube?			
			What happens to the	
	How can you get a beam of		position of the shadow as	
	light through a maze?		the angle of the light source	
			is changed?	
	How do periscopes work?			

National Curriculum Unit – Year 4 Sound

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary



- Identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating.
- Recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear.
- Find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it.
- Find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it.
- Recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases.

- Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the humans body and say which part of the body is associated with which sense. (Yr 1 Animals including humans)
- Waves on water as undulations which travel through water with transverse motion; these waves can be reflected, and add or cancel – superposition. (KS3)
- Frequencies of sound waves, measured in Hertz (HZ); echoes, reflection and absorption of sound. (KS3)
- Sound needs a medium to travel, the speed of sound in air, in water and in solids. (KS3)
- Sound produced by vibrations of objects, in loud speakers, detected by their effects on microphone diaphragm and the ear drum; sound waves are longitudinal. (KS3)
- Auditory range of humans and animals. (KS3)
- Pressure waves transferring energy; use for cleaning and physiotherapy by ultra-sound. (KS3)
- Waves transferring information for conversion to electrical signals by microphone. (KS3).

Sound
Source
Vibrate
Vibration
Travel
Pitch
High
Low
Volume
Loud
Quiet
Soundproof
Wave

Key Concepts

A sound produces vibrations.

- vibrations travel through a medium from the source to our ears.
- Different mediums such as solids, liquids and gases can carry sound.



- Sound cannot travel through a vacuum (an area empty of matter).
- The vibrations cause part of our ears to vibrate, allowing us to hear (sense) the sound.

Volume of sound

- depends on the strength (size) of the vibrations which decreases as they travel through the mediums.
- An instruments produces a loud sound when it is hit, plucked or blown harder.
- sound decreases in volume as you move away from the source.
- A sound insulator is a material which blocks sound effectively.

Pitch of sound

- Pitch is how high or low a sound is
- Features of objects producing the sounds effect pitch.
- Smaller objects usually produce higher pitched sounds
- Larger objects usually produce lower pitched sounds.
- Instruments can produce a variety of different pitches.
 - Different length notes on a glockenspiel
 - Holes on a woodwind instrument
 - Thickness of strings
 - Length of strings on a piano

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Sound doesn't and can't travel through solids and liquids.
- High sounds are loud and low sounds are quiet.
- Sound only travels in one direction from the source.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
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How far away can a range of	What is making the sound	What happens to the pitch	
different sounds be heard?	and how can we classify	of a glockenspiel as the size	
	these sound sources?	of the notes changes?	
How far can I move away			
from a sound source before		What happens to the pitch	
it can no longer be heard?		of the guitar string the	
_		thicker it gets?	
What is the best material for		_	
the ear pieces of a string		What happens to the pitch	
telephone?		of a bottle when tapped or	
·		blown across compared to	
Which material is the best at		the amount of water in the	
insulating sounds?		bottle?	
		What happens to the pitch	
		of the tuning fork when	
		there are different sized	
		tuning forks?	
		What happens to the drum	
		skin if I hit it harder?	
		What happens to the	
		vibrations of a tuning fork if	
		I hit it harder?	

National Curriculum Unit – Year 5 Earth and Space

National Curriculum	Previous Learning	Future Learning	Kev Vocabulary	٦
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- Describe the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in the Solar System.
- Describe the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth.
- Describe the Sun, Earth and Moon as approximately spherical bodies.
- Use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the Sun across the sky.

- Observe changes across the four seasons. (Yr 1 Seasonal changes)
- Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies. (Yr 1 Seasonal changes)
- Gravity force, weight = mass x gravitational field strength (g), on Earth g = 10N/kg, different on other planets and stars; gravity forces between Earth and Moon, and between Earth and Sun (qualitative only). (KS3)
- Our Sun as a star, other stars in our galaxy, other galaxies. (KS3)
- The seasons and the Earth's tilt, day length at different times of year, in different hemispheres. (KS3)
- The light year as a unit of astronomical distance. (KS£)

Earth Sun Moon Planet Mercury Venus **Farth** Mars **Jupiter** Saturn Uranus Neptune Dwarf planet Pluto Spherical Solar system Rotates Orbit Star Solar system

Key Concepts

- The sun is a star. It is at the centre of our solar system.
- In our solar system there are 8 planets
- All of these planets orbit the sun
- They are held in fixed orbits.
- One orbit is the equivalent to one year for that planet.
- Earth takes 365 ¼ days to orbit the Sun this is the length of a year on Earth
- The Earth rotates on its axis. It takes 24 hours to rotate once. This is the length of a day
- As the Earth rotates, different parts of the Earth will be facing the Sun at different times.
- The half of the Earth facing the sun is in day and the half of the Earth facing away from the Sun is night.
- The Moon orbits the Earth.
- It takes about 28 days for the Moon to orbit the Earth.
- The Sun, Earth and Moon are approximately spherical.

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:



- The Earth is flat
- The Sun is a planet
- The Sun rotates around the Earth
- The Sun moves across the sky during the day.
- You can only see the moon at night.
- Pluto is a planet in our solar system

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
	How can we classify the	How do shadows change	Is there a pattern between	How does the Earth orbit
	different objects in the solar	throughout the day?	the distance a planet is	the Sun and the Moon orbit
	system into groups?		away from the Sun and how	the Earth?
		How does a sundial change	long it takes to orbit the	
		throughout the day?	Sun?	Why does day and night
				occur?
				How have our ideas about
				the solar system changed
				over time? What evidence
				do scientists have to back up
				these theories?

National Curriculum Unit – Year 6 Evolution and Inheritance

National Curriculum Previous Learning	Future Learning	Key Vocabulary
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- Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago.
- Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents.
- Identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution.
- Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other. (Yr 2 Living things and their habitats)
- Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. (Yr 2 Animals including humans)
- Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. (Yr 3 Plants)
- Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within a rock. (Yr 3 Rocks)
- Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things. (Yr 4 Living things and their habitats)
- Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals (Yr 5 Living things and their habitats)

- Heredity as the process by which genetic information is transmitted from one generation to the next. (KS3)
- A simple model of chromosomes, genes and DNA in heredity, including the part played by Watson, Crick, Wilkins and Franklin in the development in the DNA model. (KS3)
- The variation between species and between individuals of the same species means some organisms compete more successfully, which can drive natural selection. (KS3)
- Changes in the environment may leave individuals within a species, and some entire species, less well adapted to compete successfully and reproduce, which in turn may lead to extinction. (KS3)

Offspring
Sexual reproduction
Vary
Variation
Characteristics
Suited
Adapted
Environment
Inherited
Species
Fossil

Key Concepts



All living things will have offspring of some kind.

- Offspring are not identical to their parents
- Features will vary but will be similar to their parents.

Plants and animals have features that make them suited to their environment.

- If an environment changes quickly, some animals and plants will features that are not suited to this environment. This species will die out.
- If an environment changes gradually, some animals and plants that have features that are best suited to the environment, survive in greater numbers.
- These then reproduce and pass these features on to their young.
- These inherited features become more dominant within the population over time.
- Over a very long period of time, these changes and inherited features may have changed the animal to the point where a new species is formed.
- This is evolution.

Fossils can provide us with evidence of what has lived on Earth millions of years ago.

They provide evidence to support the theory of evolution

Scientists such as Darwin and Wallace observed how living things adapt to different environments.

Common Misconceptions

Some children may think that:

- Adaptations occur during an animals lifetime
- Offspring most resemble their parents of the same sex (father and son or mother and daughter)
- All characteristics, likes and skills of the parent are inherited by the child.

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Comparative/fair tests	Identify and Classify	Observations over time	Pattern Seeking	Research
	How do different breeds of	How have giraffes changed	Darwin's finches bird beak	How did Charles Darwin and
	dogs look similar (Labradors)	over time to adapt?	activity – How does the	Alfred Wallace develop their
	and how are new breeds			ideas of evolution?



different? (e.g.	How can we use fossils to	shape of a birds beak affect	
labradoodle?)	identify living things that	what it eats?	How does the work of Mary
	lived on Earth?		Annning support the idea of
Design and explain the			evolution?
features of a new plan	t or		
animal to be suited to	a		How did the species of
specific environment?			peppered moths change
			during the industrial
			revolution in order for the
			species to survive?