

Progression of Skills in History – Key Stage 1

	Year 1	Year 2
Chronological understanding	 Sequence events in their life. Sequence 3 or 4 artefacts from distinctly different periods of time. Match objects to people of different ages. 	 Sequence artefacts closer together in time – check with reference book. Sequence photographs etc from different periods of their life. Describe memories of key events in lives.
Range and depth of historical knowledge	 Recognise the difference between past and present in their own lives and others lives. They know and recount episodes from stories about the past. 	 Recognise why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result. Identify differences between ways of life at different times.
Interpretations of history	 Use stories to encourage children to distinguish between fact and fiction. Compare adults talking about the past – how reliable are their memories. 	 Compare two versions of a past event. Compare photographs or pictures of people or events in the past. Discuss reliability of photos/accounts/stories
Historical enquiry	Find answers to simple questions about the past from sources of information, e.g. artefacts	Use a source – observe or handle sources to answer questions about the past on the basis of simple observations.
Organisation and communication	Communicate their knowledge through: discussion, drawing pictures, drama/role play, making models, writing, using ICT	Communicate their knowledge through: discussion, drawing pictures, drama/role play, making models, writing, using ICT