



Substantive Concepts

The Substantive Concepts are the subject knowledge and explicit vocabulary used about the past. The 6 Substantive Concepts below are the suggested vehicle to connect the substantive knowledge.

MSTORICAL SNOUIR	Primary and secondary sources help us understand what happened in the past. Pupils will learn how historians have use a range of resources to investigate specific questions about the past. They will look at artefacts (tools, ornaments, toys, coins, diaries, historical accounts, pictures, newspapers) and consider how historians use sources to interpret the past.
CHBONOTOGY.	Pupils will develop an understanding of the chronology of British, local and world history. They will explore dates, timelines, key events and significant people. They will learn about the impact of these events and people.
CHITECTURE.	Pupils will learn about and make comparisons between different civilisations and societies throughout history. They will learn key aspects such as architecture, art, homes, religion, settlement, games and sports.



Throughout history, major changes have occurred as a result of significant events including war, invasion or disasters. Pupils will look at the reasons why these happened and the impact they had. They will learn about conquest, invasion, defence, the military, war as well as disasters such as fire and plague.



Pupils will learn how people explored and invented through history and the impact of this. They will look at key discoveries, transport, trade routes, tools and technology and how these changed over time.



Pupils will learn about and make comparisons between different civilisations, exploring the life of the rich and rulers compared to other member of society. They will understand how significant people who changed the world. They will look at countries, democracy, empires, government, law, monarchy and rulers, rich and poor, and slavery from key historical periods being studied.

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Cycle 1								
Pippin	Homes old and new	✓	✓	✓				2, 11
	Mary Jones and the Bible	✓					✓	2, 3, 9
	Kings and Queens; Victoria's Oak	✓	✓				✓	2, 11
	Transport past and present	✓	✓					8
Cherry	The Victorians	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	2, 7, 8, 9, 11
	Castles and Kingdoms	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1, 2, 4, 5, 8
	Let's Go Down Under	✓	✓	✓			✓	2, 3, 10
Willow	Stone Age to Iron Age	✓	✓	✓		✓		
	The Romans	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Oak	Ancient Egypt	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	1, 2, 3, 4
	The Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	2, 3, 4, 10
	Potions and plagues	✓	✓			✓	✓	2, 6, 8



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Cycle 2			<u> </u>					
Pippin	On the Farm	✓	✓	✓		✓		2, 11
	Pirates and Sailing Ships	✓	√		✓		✓	2, 9
Cherry	The Great Fire of London	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	1, 2, 7
	The Gunpowder Plot	✓	✓		✓			1, 2, 9
	Local History of our school	✓	✓	✓			✓	2, 11
	Exploration	✓	✓	✓				2, 6, 10
	Florence Nightingale	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	1, 2, 8, 9
	Charles Darwin	✓	✓	✓		✓		3, 9
Willow	The Vikings	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2, 5
	The Anglo-Saxons	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2, 5
	Great Britain	✓	✓				✓	1, 11
Oak	The Titanic	✓	✓		✓			2, 3, 8
	The Space Race	✓	✓			✓	✓	1, 2, 8
	WWII	✓	✓		✓		✓	1, 4, 5, 9, 10,
	Pompeii	✓	✓	✓	✓			2, 3

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History Skills Progression

Types of History

- 1. Political History examines the actions, policies and events related to governments, leaders and political institutions.
- 2. **Social History –** focuses on the lives of ordinary people, social structures, customs and everyday life.
- 3. Cultural History explores the development of cultural practices, beliefs, art, literature and intellectual achievements.
- 4. **Economic History** studies the economic systems, trade, industries and financial aspects of societies.
- 5. Military History analyses war, battles, military strategies and the impact of armed conflicts on societies.
- 6. Intellectual History explores the evolution of ideas, philosophies and intellectual movements over time.
- 7. **Environmental History** investigates the interactions between human societies and their environments, including ecological changes.
- 8. **Technological History** examines the development of technology, inventions and their influence on societies.
- 9. Gender History focuses on the roles, experiences and contributions of men and women in history.
- 10. World History studies events and developments on a global scale, considering interactions between different cultures and regions.
- 11. Local History explores the history of a specific locality or community, often emphasizing regional details.



Planning Overview

Cycle 1	EYFS	Y1/Y2	Y3/4	Y5/6
Autumn	Homes Old and New	The Victorians	Savage Stone Age Metal Madness	Oh Mummy!
Topic	Comparison of homes from the past to now	Victorian schools and Victorian Christmas	Stone Age to Iron Age	Ancient Egypt
Key Question	What was life like in the past?	What was life like for children in Victorian Britain?	How did tools and technologies evolve from Stone Age to Iron Age?	What achievements of Ancient Egypt are still important today?
Key Learning	How homes have changed over time, and what materials are used.	Life for Victorian children, how schools have changed, the traditions of a Victorian Christmas	Stone Age and Iron Age societies, exploring daily life, tools, and cultural advancements. Understand their impact on history and development.	Key dates, social structure, pharaohs, pyramids and achievements of Ancient Egypt
Spring	Mary Jones and the Bibles	Castles and Kingdoms		The Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade
Topic	Mary Jones and the Bibles	English kings and queens, castles		The Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade
Timeline	British History	British History		World History
Key Question	Who were the Kings and Queens of England?	How were castles built and how did the protect the royal family?		How did the transatlantic slave trade impact societies and cultures?
Key Learning	Recognise Mary Jones, the value of Bibles, historical impact, basic inquiry, storytelling, and communication skills.	Kings and Queens of England, castles in the UK, how they change throughout history, architecture and their enduring legacy		Historical context, causes, and consequences; Its impact on Africa, the Americas, and global perspectives.
Summer	Kings and Queens; Queen Victoria's Oak Transport Past and Present	Let's Go Down Under	Radical Romans	Potions and Plagues
Topic	A Special Oak; Queen Victoria's tree Transport	Exploration and Discovery	The Romans	Medicine and Disease/The Plague
Key Question	Who were the Kings and Queens of England? How do different vehicles move and help us in transportation?	How did Captain Cook's arrival affect the lives of Aboriginal people?	Why did the Romans settle in Britain?	How did potions influence plague remedies in historical contexts?
Key Learning	Understanding the various modes of transport and their functions in daily life, how vehicles move, their purposes, and the importance of transportation in connecting people and goods.	Exploring Captain Cook's voyages, Aboriginal perspectives and historical encounters	Roman civilization, daily life, and their influence on Britain. Understand Roman achievements, governance, and cultural contributions.	Medicine and disease throughout history and the importance of hygiene



Cycle 2	EYFS/Y1	Y2	Y3/4	Y5/6
Autumn	On The Farm	London's Burning!	Vicious Vikings	Tragedy at Sea/ The Space Race
Topic	Old farming methods; horses, carts and windmills	The Great Fire of London The Gunpowder Plot	The Vikings	The Titanic Space exploration
Key Question	What tools and methods did people use for farming in the past?	Why did the Great Fire of London spread so quickly? Why did people plan to blow up the Houses of Parliament?	Were the Vikings traders, invaders or settlers?	Why were so many lives lost on the "unsinkable" ship?
Key Learning	How people farmed in the past and what tools were used	Investigate events using sources, the fire's impact on Londoners, changes made for safety after event. The historical context, motives, and consequences of the Gunpowder Plot, fostering an awareness of historical events and their significance.	Viking history, culture, and impact on Britain. Explore Viking raids, trade, and daily life.	Chronological events of the sinking of The Titanic, social difference, sources of evidence, how it impacted history. Key events in The Space Race, achievements, and contributions in space exploration.
Spring	Mary Jones and the Bibles	First Stop Pencombe/ Adventure Awaits	Incredible India	Battles, Blackouts and Bravery
Topic	Mary Jones and the Bibles	Local history of our school		World War II
Торіс	·	Exploration		
Timeline	British History	Local History/World History		British History
Key Question	Who were the Kings and Queens of England?	What interesting stories and events are part of our school's history? How did famous explorers impact our world?		What was it like to be a child in WW2?
Key Learning	Recognise Mary Jones, the value of Bibles, historical impact, basic inquiry, storytelling, and communication skills.	Uncover local school history; founders, milestones, changes, achievements, community impact, traditions and the people who shaped its story. Explore historical exploration, key figures, and discoveries.		Timeline of events, evacuation, rationing, The Blitz, the role of women, impact on the world.
Summer	Queen Victoria's Oak	The Lady and the Lamp	Great Britain	Rumble in the Jungle
	Pirate and Sailing Ships	Galapagos		
Topic	A Special Oak; Queen Victoria's tree Pirates and sailing ships	Florence Nightingale Charles Darwin and the Beagle		
Key Question	Who were the Kings and Queens of England? What do we know about pirates and their adventurous sailing journeys?	What difference did Florence Nightingale make? How did Charles Darwin's discoveries change our understanding of living things?	How has Great Britain's history shaped its culture and identity?	
Key Learning	Understanding the various modes of transport and their functions in daily life, how vehicles move, their purposes, and the importance of transportation in connecting people and goods.	Her life, contributions to nursing, and improvements in healthcare. Explore Charles Darwin's life, theory of evolution, and natural selection.	Understand key events, landmarks, and contributions to global history	

End points

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By the end of EYFS, children will:

Know the meaning of new and old. They will begin to compare past and present events in their own lives, those of their families and other people they know. They will also be able to sequence events using language relating to time.

By the end of KS1:

Previous learning will be built upon further as children develop an awareness of the past and know where the people and events they study fit within a chronological framework. They will be able to make comparisons by identifying similarities and differences between life in different historical periods and recall some significant people from events beyond living memory.

By the end of KS2:

Our children will have developed a chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of British, local and world history, noting connections, contrasts and trends over time. They will be able to use the appropriate historical vocabulary to describe change, cause, similarity and difference when discussing significant historical periods, events or people and construct informed responses that involve thoughtful selection and organisation of historical information.

Key Vocabulary

Substantive Concept	KS1 Progressive Vocabulary	LKS2 Progressive Vocabulary	UKS2 Progressive Vocabulary
Monarchy	King, Queen, Kingdom, Prince, Princess	reign, succession, emperor, pharaoh	Queen regnant, coronation, absolute monarchy, sovereign
Invasion/Power	war, attack, battle, army	conflict, combat, barbarian, voyage	military, troops, allies, artillery
Culture/Civilisation	faith, belief, church, God	protestant, catholic, reform, myths	culture, civilization, sacrifice
Identity/Diversity	name, individual, similarities, differences	unique, equal, respectful, community	equality, inequality, equal rights, cultural diversity
Law	rules, police, choice, consequence	legal, illegal, court, law enforcement	legislation, constitution, decree, bill
Trade	swap, deal, buy, sell	business, fair trade, investment, goods	import, export, economic, economy
Settlement/Community	town, village, city, home	settlers, communities, tribes, clans	colony, exploration, civilization, ancient
Government	Prime, minister, country, rules, vote	parliament, power, politics, democracy	Legislation, governance, revolution, organistion

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Disciplinary Knowledge – Thinking Like a Historian Historical Enquiry

Structured and relevant enquiry that sets pupils on a historical quest. Each knowledge note has a learning question that gives the pupils the opportunity to attempt to apply their understanding of the substantive knowledge (what they KNOW) in a disciplinary way (what they DO).

These cumulate towards a more expert understanding of the big idea.

Chronology	Evidence and	Cause and	Change and	Similarity and	Historical
	Interpretation	Consequence	Continuity	Difference	Significance
The science of time	How we know about the	The reason and result of	How key people, places	Similarity	Why people, events and
	past	the things that happened	and events changed or		ideas are important in our
How events and significant		in history	stayed the same over time	Compare similarities at the	learning
people are placed in time.	A source presents a			same time – what stayed	
	viewpoint, position or bias	Causation is about why	How much really changed	the same and why?	The choice to learn about
Chronological order	from the time it was	events occurred and	over and across time?		certain people and events
means to place people or	created.	situations happened.		E.g. you could compare	because of their
events in a sequence	E . I		What kind of change was	Athens and Sparta at the	importance over time and
which represents the	Exploring a source tells	How ideas connect and	occurring? Was it social,	same time.	to tell a historical narrative.
passing of time.	pupils more about the	interrelate.	military, economic?	Difference	AA/In the second line of the second
Use time related words.	attitudes, beliefs and culture of that time.		Development by the second by t	Difference	Why have they been
such as before, during and		Grouping causes into	Pace and process: how	Compare difference at	chosen?
after.	Primary sources	categories such as	quickly did things change?	the same time – what was	What is significantly good or bad about these
dilei.	Tilliary sources	personal belief, military	Changes	different between people	people and events?
BC – before the birth of	Original documents,	action, economic drivers or deliberate acts.	Continuity is a connected	and places – why was	people and evenisy
Christ also known as	images or artefacts that	or deliberate acis.	series (Latin:	that?	Why have certain events
BCE – before the common	provide a first-hand	Causation is best used to	continuitatem)		not been told?
era.	testimony to help inform	think historically when the	What remained the same?	E.g. you could examine	Why are they now
	the related study.	narrative of the study is		the beliefs of Nazi	emerging?
AD – Anno Domini (the	,	secure and the big ideas	What factors were the	Germany and the allies.	E.g. the Windrush
number of years after the	Secondary sources	are coherent, such as	same? Trade? Ideas of		generation.
death of Christ) also		significant people, places,	race?		S
known as	Books and articles about a	events and time.			
CE – common era.	study that may have not				
	been created at the time.	Consequence is the result			
There is no 0, only 1BC and		of the cause.			
AD 1.					



	Disciplinary Knowledge – Thinking Like a Historian								
Concept	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6		
Constructing the past	I can identify that things from the past might be different from today – technology, cars, houses etc.	I can identify that events have happened in the past and significant people from the past have helped shape the present. I can identify that there are some themes that link history together – locality, transport etc.	I can identify that significant events and individuals from the past have helped shaped the present; locally, nationally and internationally. I can identify that the past is remembered or 'constructed' in different ways across the world. I can identify that the past can be commemorated each year at specific times.		nowledge of British history nan Britain by comparison	I can build an understand through to WWII and the by comparison of: achievements, housing, society, education entertainment beliefs and understand the reas similarities/differences be civilisation/period of history	impact on today's world oning for tween each		
Chronology	I can use simple language relating to time. I can put events in order.	I can use words and phrases like: before, after, past, present, then and now. I can sequence events from within living memory on a timeline.	I can order events on a timeline from beyond my lifetime. I can sequence events that occurred during a historical period.	I can understand the diff BCE and CE. I can place dates and ethistorical period.		I can place key events from a period of history on a timeline in relations to one other period of history. I can use more accurate dates when describing and sequencing events.	I understand the chronology of key events in periods I am studying and how this time relates to other key periods in history. I can summarise and evaluate events on a timeline in relation to substantive concepts or themes (invaders, war, industry and technology etc)		



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Evidence and interpretation	I can find out about things that happened in my life by asking questions and looking at pictures.	questions about the past. I can start to compare two versions of a past event. I can explain that there are different types of sources that can be used to help represent the past.		I can explore a range of sources of evidence and differentiate between fact and opinion. I can present the information I have learnt in a variety of ways. I can use research skills to find out answers to specific historical questions about our locality. I know the difference between primary and secondary sources of evidence. I can explain how historical artefacts can be used to help build up a picture of the past.	I can evaluate the usefulness of primary and secondary sources of evidence in historical enquiry. I can use a range of information, including my own research, to present a historical argument. I understand that some sources include facts and opinions and different evidence can lead to different conclusions.
Cause and Consequen ce	I can say why things happen and give explanations.	I can explain why a histori and what happened as a I can explain why an impo- history acted the way the impact of this was.	ortant person from	I can identify and give reasons for historical events and explain the impact. I can explain how a historical event impacted on at least one of the substantive concepts.	I understand the impact of historical events on later periods of history. I can evaluate how a historical event impacted on one or more of the substantive concepts.
Continuity and Change	I can observe and describe things that have changed and stayed the same during my life.	I can explain what an object from the past might have been used for. I can identify things that have changed or stayed the same during my life and from times before living memory. I can describe changes over time in relation to one or more of the substantive concepts.		I can explain the links between significant events. I can explain what changed and stayed the same in relation to at least one of the substantive concepts.	I can summarise the main events from a period of history, explaining the order of events and making connections between them. I can justify how or why things changed or did not change in relations to one of the substantive concepts.
Similarity and Difference	I can identify and describe similarities and differences between myself and others. I can compare objects, animals and people using vocabulary of change.	can describe change within living memory. can spot old and new things in pictures. can compare and contrast changes from a period of time, focusing on one or more of the substantive I can describe change beyond living memory. I can spot old and new things in pictures. I can compare and contrast changes from a period of time, focusing on one or more of the substantive		I can describe similarities and differences within a period of time in relations to society, culture, religion or ethnic diversity I can describe similarities and differences between a period of history and now in relation to one or more of the substantive concepts.	I can describe the differences in the lives of people from different social classes, cultures, religions or race. I can undertake research in order to find similarities and differences between two or more periods of history and draw my own conclusions in relation to one or more of the substantive concepts.
Historical Significanc e	I can recognise and describe special times or events for me, my friends and family.	more of the substantive concepts. I can explain how historical events and people changed things.		I can identify historically significant people and events, and their impact.	I am aware of some pivotal events and people in modern British history. I can evaluate the impact of key historical people and events.