# Writing to inform (KS1)

### **Text Types**

- Recount
- Letter
- Instructions
- Explanation
- Report
- Poster

### **Text Features**

 Appropriate use of past and present tense

# **Other Style Ideas**

- Could use a writing frame to structure sections
- May include images

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

- Use **coordinating conjunctions** to link two main ideas, Badgers sleep in the day <u>and</u> look for food at night.
- Use subordinating conjunctions in the middle of sentences, Badgers can dig well <u>because</u> they have sharp claws
- Use noun phrases which inform, sharp claws, black fur

**Adverbials** 

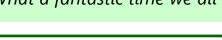
First Firstly Next After Later

Then After that Finally

• Use **commas** to separate items in a list,

You will need flour, eggs, sugar and water.

• Use **exclamation sentences** where appropriate, What a fantastic time we all had!



# Conjunctions

and but so or when if because

## **Punctuation Content**

- Use finger spaces between words
- Use capital letters & full stops to mark sentences
- Use **question mark**, Did you know...?
- Use apostrophes to mark possession, A badger's home is underground
- Use apostrophes to mark contraction "Don't do that!"



# Writing to inform (LKS2)

#### **Text Types**

- Explanation
- Recount
- Letter
- Biography/ Autobigoraphy
- Newspaper article
- Instructions

## **Text Features**

- Paragraphs used to group related ideas
- Subheadings to label content
- Technical Vocabulary
- Formal Language
- Fronted Adverbials
- Structure: introduction/ conclusion

## **Other Style Ideas**

- May be built around a key image
- Use techniques to highlight key words (bold, underline, etc.)
- Fact box

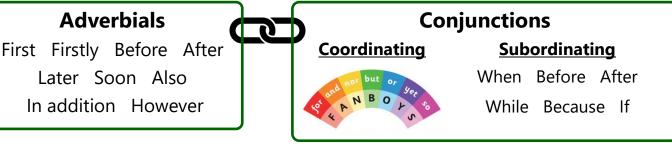
#### **Grammar and Sentences**

- Use **subordinating conjunctions** to join clauses, including as openers, Although they have a fierce reputation, the Vikings weren't all bad.
- Use **expanded noun phrases** to inform, A tall dark-haired man was seen leaving the scene.
- Use **commas** to separate adjectives in a list, You will need flour, eggs, sugar and water.
- Use **relative clauses** to add further detail

We went to Downing Street, where the Prime Minster lives, before visiting the Houses of Parliament.

Begin to use present perfect tense to place events in time,

This week we have visited the Science Museum.



# **Punctuation Content**

- Consolidate four main punctuation marks (., ! ?)
- Use capital letters for proper nouns
- Use **commas** to mark fronted adverbials After lunch, we went into the museum
- Use commas to mark subordinate clauses
  When he was a boy, Dahl did not like reading.
- Use inverted commas for direct speech
- Use bullet points to list items



# Writing to inform (UKS2)

## **Text Types**

- Report
- Recount
- Biography
- Newspaper article

### **Text Features**

- Paragraphs used to group related ideas
- Heading/subheadings
- Use of technical and formal vocabulary

## **Other Style Ideas**

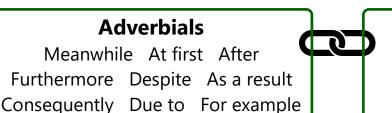
- May include a glossary
- Sections may contain more than one paragraph

#### **Grammar and Sentences**

- Use subordinating conjunctions in varied positions, ٠ The Polar Bear, although it is large, can move at great speed.
- Use expanded noun phrases to inform, ٠ ...a tall dark-haired man with a bright-red cap...
- Use relative clauses to add further detail ٠ We went to Downing Street, where the Prime Minster lives, before visiting the Houses of Parliament.
- Begin to use **passive voice** to remain formal or detached, ٠ The money was stolen from the main branch.
- Begin to use **colons** to link related clauses, ٠ England was a good country to invade: it had plenty of useful land.
- Shift **tense** appropriately. ۲

**Adverbials** 

Meanwhile At first After



# Conjunctions

when before after while because if although as

# **Punctuation Content**

- Use brackets or dashes to explain technical vocabulary
- Use semi-colons to punctuate complex lists, including when using bullet points
- Use **colons** to introduce lists or sections
- Use **brackets or dashes** to mark relative clauses
- Secure use of **commas** to mark clauses, including opening subordinating clauses, clarify meaning and avoiding ambiguity
- Begin to use colons & semi-colons to mark clauses



