



# English Curriculum Overview

This document summarises the main areas of English covered in KS1 and KS2 of the England National Curriculum.

## Key Stage 1: (Ages 5–7)

Area	Content Covered
Reading – Word Reading	Phonics, blending, sight words
Reading – Comprehension	Understanding simple texts
Writing – Transcription	Spelling, handwriting, punctuation basics
Writing – Composition	Simple sentences, storytelling
SPaG	Capital letters, full stops, basic grammar
Spoken Language	Listening, speaking, storytelling

## Lower Key Stage 2: (Years 3–4)

Area	Content Covered
Reading – Comprehension	Inference, vocabulary, fluency
Writing – Composition	Paragraphs, story structure
Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar	Tenses, conjunctions, apostrophes
Spelling	Common patterns, prefixes/suffixes
Handwriting	Cursive formation, fluency
Spoken Language	Discussion, presentation



## Upper Key Stage 2: (Years 5–6)

Area	Content Covered
Reading – Comprehension	Inference, analysis, comparison
Writing – Composition	Genres, structure, editing
SPaG	Advanced grammar, clauses, punctuation
Spelling	Complex patterns, word families
Handwriting	Speed and fluency
Spoken Language	Formal speech, discussion