

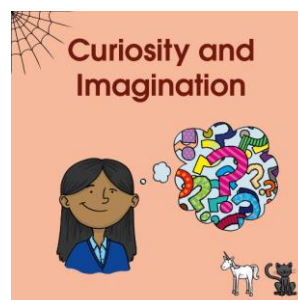


Supporting your child at home

Year 3
Acer Learning Zone



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Information for Families

This document is intended to provide families with ideas for how best to support children's learning at home. This is not an exhaustive list and is not intended to replace other learning opportunities and experiences.

The information will give families an insight into some of the learning children are doing at school to support consistency at home.

Please let teacher's know if you have any questions or if there are areas of home learning which you have found are particularly effective for your child.

As always, thanks for your support.

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Number facts to 20.

For children to be confident mathematicians it is essential that they are fluent and flexible with using number facts for numbers up to 20. These facts (such as $7 + 8 = 15$ or $15 - 7 = 8$ or $15 - [] = 7$) are fundamental to being able to solve calculations and apply knowledge in more abstract ways. Without these facts many children struggle to develop fluency and rely on counting strategies which effect problem solving and ability to make links.

+	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	0+0	0+1	0+2	0+3	0+4	0+5	0+6	0+7	0+8	0+9	0+10
1	1+0	1+1	1+2	1+3	1+4	1+5	1+6	1+7	1+8	1+9	1+10
2	2+0	2+1	2+2	2+3	2+4	2+5	2+6	2+7	2+8	2+9	2+10
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6	6+0	6+1	6+2	6+3	6+4	6+5	6+6	6+7	6+8	6+9	6+10
7	7+0	7+1	7+2	7+3	7+4	7+5	7+6	7+7	7+8	7+9	7+10
8	8+0	8+1	8+2	8+3	8+4	8+5	8+6	8+7	8+8	8+9	8+10
9	9+0	9+1	9+2	9+3	9+4	9+5	9+6	9+7	9+8	9+9	9+10
10	10+0	10+1	10+2	10+3	10+4	10+5	10+6	10+7	10+8	10+9	10+10

Doubles or Near doubles

Number bonds for 10

Adding 10

Adding 0

Make 10 then add

Add 1, 2 or 3

Q

A

This table shows different strategies children should be confident in knowing so they can apply to more challenging equations with ease mentally. For example, when solving $66 + 5$ they would pull upon their existing knowledge that $6+5= 11$ and apply by solving $6 + 5 = 11 \rightarrow 60 + 11 = 71$.

Similarly, we want children to be able to make links between associated number facts.

$$7 + 5 = 12$$

$$17 + 5 = 22$$

$$5 + 7 = 12$$

$$15 + 7 = 22$$

$$12 - 7 = 5$$

$$22 - 17 = 5$$

$$12 - 5 = 7$$

$$22 - 5 = 17 \text{ etc}$$

This allows children to be flexible in their calculation and problem solving and places more value on fluency than simply memorisation.

Times Tables in Year 3

For children to be confident with their times tables it is essential that they are fluent and flexible. They should be able to make links across their times tables and have an understanding of the fact families surrounding the times tables.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
3	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100

By the time children reach Year 3, they *should* already know their 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables. We focus on learning our 4, 6 and 8 times tables throughout the year.

We discuss the links between each times table and how making these links supports children knowing new times tables by heart more efficiently. For example, knowing that 4×4 is the same as 8×2 . Once children have learnt multiples of 4, they know half of the 8 times tables.

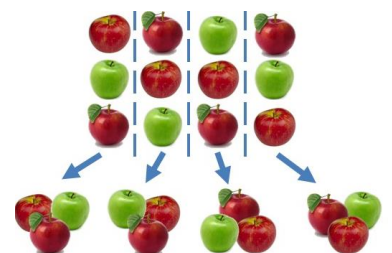
Similarly, we want children to be able to make links between multiplication and division. Not only understanding that multiplication is commutative but also that you can start with the whole (the largest amount) and group to find the linked division facts.

$$4 \times 3 = 12$$

$$3 \times 4 = 12$$

$$12 \div 3 = 4$$

$$12 \div 4 = 3$$



You can show this by using amounts to support this understanding at home.



Year Three.

Counting.

- I can count in 3s, 4s, 6s and 8s.

Place value.

- I can multiply a number by ten up to 1000.
- I can add or subtract 1, 10 or 100 to a three digit number (e.g. $426 + 1$; $234 + 10$; $356 + 100$; $784 - 100$, $256 - 10...$)

Mental calculation.

- I **know** the 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8 times tables up to x 12.
- I can **recall** the related division facts for 2, 5, 10, 3, 6, 4 and 8 times tables up to x 12.

Written calculation.

- I can add two 2 digit numbers together (e.g. $43 + 25$; $27 + 18$)
- I can subtract two 2 digit numbers (e.g. $56 - 34$; $72 - 25$)
- I can multiply a two digit number by a one digit number (e.g. 2×34 as $2 \times 30 + 2 \times 4$ – children should record using jottings)

This document is to provide information for families for how to best support children's mathematics at home. These are the key essentials of mathematics in Year 3 which children need to secure. This does not cover the whole maths curriculum, just the most critical skills. Please ask the class teacher for further information.

Fractions.

- I can find fractions of a quantity such as one-half, one-third, one-quarter, one-fifth, one-sixth, one-eighth and one-tenth.
- I **know** pairs of fractions with the same denominator that make 1 whole. (e.g. $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ make a whole).

Measure.

- I can tell the time on an analogue clock to the nearest five minutes.

Resources for supporting your child

Times Tables:

1. NumberGym – times table builder. Login is the first 4 letters of your child's first and last names.
2. PiXL Times Table app - <https://mathsapp.pixl.org.uk/PMA2.html>
3. 100 seconds – Choose the times tables and record how many questions you answer correctly in 100 seconds.
www.timestables.co.uk/100-seconds/
3. Multiplication Trainer – This website will allow you to choose which questions to focus on and the amount of time provided; adapting these will increase the challenge!
www.mathsisfun.com/numbers/math-trainer-multiply.html
4. Times table speed test – This provides a set amount of time for the chosen times table focus. www.timestables.co.uk/speed-test/

Reading:

1. iHub – online non-fiction reading resource
<https://ihub.firstnews.co.uk/>

As well as these online resources, please continue to practise spellings throughout the week ready for our weekly spellings bees and encouraging children to read each night.

Handwriting

Below are some materials for cursive handwriting which can be used by you and your children to support correct letter formation and letter joins.

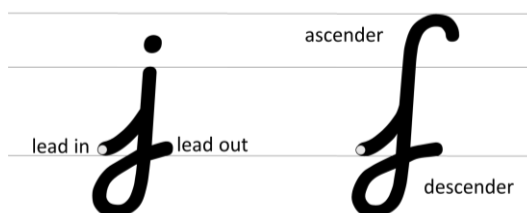
Cursive letter formation for lower case. All letters start from the line (lead in).

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u

v w x y z

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

Capital letters do not join in cursive writing but all other letters within a word do. Letters join to the next letter from their lead out.



Letters start with the lead in on the line. When joining from r, v, w the joining lead out is not on the line. E.g.

brave

Words should be completely written without the need to lift the pencil and fully before going back to add dots on 'i' or cross-bar on 't'.

Consistency of letter formation and letter size are two skills which children need to secure through practise. Wherever possible encouraging children to write using cursive, and supporting them to do so will be greatly beneficial.

Less confidence learners might wish to focus on letter formation and ensuring letter size is consistent rather than joining all letters.

It is common for children to confuse b and d in their writing. Children who find this challenging are usually aware of it but supporting children to think about this when writing words with b or d and helping them to spot errors will help them with this area of writing. We often ask children to get their bed out to help them.





Year 1 Common Exception Words

Phase 3 HFW	Phase 5 HFW
he she we me be you are	oh Mrs Mr people their called looked asked could
Phase 4 HFW	Common exception
said have like so do some come	school put push pull full house our today says your where love once ask friend

Common exception words are words children need to confidently read and write by the end of year 3. We've included year 1 and 2 words in case children need to practise these too.



Year 2 Common Exception Words

door floor poor because find kind behind child children wild climb most only both old cold gold hold told every great	break steak pretty beautiful after fast last past father class grass pass plant path bath hour move prove improve sure	sugar eye could should would who whole any many clothes busy people water again half money parents Christmas everybody even
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Year 3 Common Exception Words



accident accidentally actual actually appear disappear complete consider continue different difficult eight eighth weight height heard learn particular	quarter question straight strange strength decide describe group guide guard therefore address arrive bicycle calendar famous Forwards reign	fruit heart island length material mention often ordinary popular potatoes probably purpose separate surprise special build earth peculiar
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CONSONANTS

b	bb	d	dd	-ed	f	ff	ph	gh	g	gg	h	wh	j	g	ge	dge	k	c	ck	ch	qu		
l	ll	m	mm	mb	mn	n	nn	kn	gn	p	pp	qu	r	rr	wr	rh	s	ss	c	ce	se	sc	st
t	tt	-ed	bt	v	f	w	wh	x	y	z	zz	ze	s	se	ss	x							
ch	tch	sh	ti	ch	s	ss	c	th	ng	n	ngue	/zh/	s	ge									

VOWELS

short vowels

a

e ea a ai ay ie

i y o u ui e

o a ou

u o o_e ou oe oo

oo u oul

long vowels

ai ay a_e a ey ea ei eigh aigh

ee ea e ie i ei ey eo y e_e

igh ie y i_e i l eigh eye ye

oa ow o oe o_e ough oh **oi** oy

ow ou ough **/yoo/** u ue ew u_e eau you

oo ew ue u_e u ou o_e o ui ough wo

'r' vowels

ar a al are au ear

or aw au ore al ar
oar augh ough our oor oa

er ur ir or ear ere

air are ear ere eir

ear ere eer ier

This is a copy of the sound mats used by children in Acer. It shows all the alternative ways to write given sounds. Graphemes (letters to write sounds) in yellow or green are the most common. For unfamiliar words children should select what they consider the most appropriate grapheme. For example choosing a y to make the 'ee' sound at the end of a word (happy) but not in the middle of a word like streaming.

Spelling strategies

soy/s

Trace it, write it

oe ow
oa /oa/ oh
o_e ough o

Which grapheme?

wair
whare
where
whair
were



Does it look right?



Quick write



mneumonics



Pyramid writing

f _ _ l d

Leave out the vowels



Add on sound buttons

LOOK	SAY	COVER	WRITE	CHECK
because	"because"		accidentally	✓



Picture writing

caught

Shape write

accidentally

Rainbow writing

Year 3 Reading Expectations:

Word Reading

- Apply knowledge of root words (e.g. usual), prefixes (e.g. un-) and suffixes (e.g. -ly) in a word such as '**unusually**' to read aloud and to understand the meaning of unfamiliar words.
- Read further high frequency and exception words (using knowledge of patterns in where certain groups of letters occur in the word)
- Attempt pronunciation of unfamiliar words drawing on prior knowledge of similar looking words as well as phonic knowledge.

Reading Comprehension

- Draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions.
- Use dictionaries to check the meaning of unfamiliar words.
- Identify and summarise the main ideas of a text.
- Identify how structure, and presentation contribute to the meaning of texts (including layout, use of typography such as **bold** or *italics*)
- Retrieve and record information from non-fiction.
- Discuss books, poems and other works that are read aloud and independently, taking turns and listening to others' opinions.
- Explain and discuss understanding of books, poems and other material, both those read aloud and those read independently.
- Prepare poems to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action
- Experience and discuss a range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks.
- Know that non-fiction books are structured in different ways and be able to use them effectively.
- Begin to understand that narrative books are structured in different ways, for example, quest stories and stories with dilemmas. Ask questions to improve understanding of a text.
- Predict what might happen from details stated.

Year 3/4 Reading Key Objectives

Reading - word reading	
Read aloud and understand words based on knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (see appendix 1)	
Read further exception words, including those with unusual spelling/sound links (see appendix 1)	
Reading - comprehension	
Develop positive attitudes to reading	
Retell some fairy tales or traditional tales orally	
Listen to and discuss a wide range of texts.	
Read books that are structured in different ways for different purposes.	
Identify themes and conventions in a range of books	
Discuss words and phrases that capture their interest or imagination.	
Perform plays and poetry aloud using intonation, tone, volume and action	
Recognise some different forms of poetry	
Prepare poems and play scripts to read aloud and perform, showing intonation	
Use dictionaries to check the meanings of words	
Explain the meaning of words in context from reading	
Check that a text makes sense.	
Ask questions to improve understanding of a text	
Identify and summarise the main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph	
Draw inferences about feelings thoughts and motives	
Justify inference with evidence from the text.	
Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.	
Discuss words and phrases which capture the reader's interest	
Know how to choose books, thinking about for example, topic, genre, complexity, known authors	
Identify how language contributes to meaning	
Identify how structure and presentation contribute to meaning	
Retrieve and record information from non-fiction texts	

Year 3 Writing Key Objectives

Spelling

Spell words which are often misspelt from the Y3-4 word list

Add suffixes (ed, est, er to words with more than one syllable (e.g. forgotten, preferred)

Spell words with the /i:/ sound not at the end (myth, pyramid, Egypt)

Use and spell the prefix 'in' when it does not change (e.g. incorrect, inaudible)

Use un-, dis- and mis- prefixes to have negative meaning

Use a range of prefixes to form nouns- e.g. auto-, anti-, super-

Use word families based on common words to understand links in form and meaning.

Use the possessive apostrophe accurately with regular plurals

Use the first three letters of a word to check spelling in a dictionary

Use a or an depending on whether a word starts with a consonant or a vowel

Write simple sentences dictated by teacher including spelling (and punctuation) taught.

Handwriting

Use appropriate handwriting joins, including choosing unjoined letters

Increase legibility and consistency of handwriting: e.g. ascenders same size and direction

Composition

Discuss and record ideas about what they are planning to write.

Compose and rehearse sentences orally

Adopt features (structure, vocabulary and grammar) of existing texts to shape own writing)

Build sentences with varied vocabulary and increasing range of structures

Begin to use paragraphs to group material

In narratives, begin to create settings, characters and plot.

Begin to use simple organisational devices (headings, sub headings)

Begin to assess effectiveness of own and others' writing and suggest improvements

Begin to suggest improvements to grammar and vocabulary

Begin to proofread own work for spelling and punctuation errors

Read aloud using appropriate intonation, tone and volume

Vocabulary, grammar and punctuation.

Use conjunctions to express time, place and cause

Use adverbs to express time and place

Use prepositions effectively and appropriately to express time and place (before, by)

use the present perfect form of verbs (he has gone out to play (not just he

Use conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time, cause & place

Begin to use inverted commas to punctuate direct speech

Understand the difference between plural and possessive '-s'

Year 3 Mathematics Key Objectives

Number - place value

Count in multiples of 4, 8,

Count in multiples of 50 and 100

Find 10 or 100 more than a given number

Compare and order numbers up to 1000

Read and write numbers up to 10000 in numerals and words

Identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations

Recognise the value of each digit in HTU

Solve number problems using place value.

Number- addition and subtraction

Add and subtract numbers mentally, including a 3 digit and ones

Add and subtract numbers mentally, including three digit and tens

Add and subtract numbers mentally, including three digit and hundreds

Add and subtract numbers mentally, including two two digit numbers totalling over 100.

Add and subtract using numbers up to 3 digits using **standard column method**

Estimate answers to calculations (including to check)

Use the inverse to check answers

Solve addition and subtraction problems, including missing numbers

Number - multiplication and addition

Know 3x, 4x and 8x tables

Know related division facts for 3,4, and 8 x tables

Write and calculate multiplication statements using tables they know

Use mental and informal written methods for multiplying 2x 1 digit (using known tables)

Solve multiplication and division problems including missing number and scaling

Number- fractions

Count up and down in tenths

Understand that tenths are objectives or quantities divided into ten equal parts

Compare and order unit fractions

Compare and order fractions with the same denominator (e.g. 3/10 5/10, 6/10)

Identify and show equivalent fractions with small denominators, using diagrams

Find and write simple unit fractions of a set of objects e.g. 1/8

Find and write simple non- unit fractions of a set of objects e.g. 3/8

Solve problems using fractions.

Add and subtract fractions with common denominators (less than one)

Measurement

Measure, compare and calculate measures using standard units

Measure the perimeter of simple 2-D shapes

Add and subtract money, including giving change using £ and p

Tell and write the time from an analogue clock,

Tell and write time including using Roman numerals

Estimate and read time to the nearest minute

Calculate duration taken by an event and compare durations

Geometry- properties of shape

Draw 2 d shapes and make 2D shapes.

Identify horizontal, vertical, parallel and perpendicular lines

Recognise angles as a property of a shape or a description of a turn.

Understand that 2 right angles make a half turn and 3 make 3/4 turn

Identify whether angles are greater or less than a right angle

Statistics

Interpret and present data using bar charts, pictograms and tables

Solve one and 2 step problems; how many more? How many fewer, using data.