## EYFS Progression of skills and assessment checkpoints - Writing

| Birth-Three <br> -Enjoy drawing <br> -Add some ma drawings, whic meaning to. Fo says mummy." -Make marks o stand for their Handwriting Develop mani control. <br> . Explore differ tools. | eely. to their they give example: "That <br> their picture to me. <br> ulation and <br> t materials and | Three- Four Years <br> Use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing. For example: writing a pretend shopping list that starts at the top of the page; write ' $m$ ' for mummy. <br> - Write some or all of their name. <br> . Write some letters accurately. <br> Handwriting <br> - Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils. <br> - Show a preference for a dominant hand. |  |  | Reception <br> . Form lower-case and capital letters correctly. <br> . Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s. <br> . Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense. <br> . Write short sentences with words with known letter-sound correspondences using a capital letter and full stop. <br> Handwriting <br> - Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing <br> - Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient. |  |  |  |  |  | Writing- ELG . <br> . Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed. <br> - Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters. <br> - Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others. <br> Handwriting <br> . Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing- using the tripod grip in almost all cases. |  |
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| Early Steps <br> Making <br> Marks | I explore maki but I do communicate Random scr | arks, <br> ning. <br> ng. | I draw basic pictures. I use lines to look like writing. Scribble writing Left to right direction I begin to assign meaning | I write shapes <br> I assign m <br> Attempts | bols and look like ng. ning to the ks write name $5 T 0$ $1 \bar{x}$ O. |  | e random letters but there is connection between letters d sounds. I talk about my writing and give meaning. rites name from memory |  | se letter strings which travel from left to right and top to bottom. <br> ttempt to 'read' my writing. $\begin{aligned} & \text { A+PrIEDI } \\ & \text { AtPoiN } \\ & \text { AtPiEo } \\ & \text { apri Ren } \end{aligned}$ | I wr <br> re | ers with spaces en them to le the idea of words. <br> B $2 T$ <br> D) $I$ <br> H) 7 . P | I copy words that I see in the environment around me. <br> I often do not know what the words say. <br> the $I$ is <br> see lits <br> 12345 <br> onb Mx |
| Developing Writing <br> Words | I am beginnin initial sounds attempt to w down m-mum letter for | ear <br> se | I can hear initial sounds in words and write the letters down to match. <br> c- cat <br> d- dog <br> p-pig | I can write letters to words. letters in Hearing sounds fir medial. muy - mu pto - pot sbr - stra | hort strings of represent wo or three sequence. writing final first and then ft to right. my <br> berry |  | spell out and write down vc ords by matching letters and sounds. at in up cat dog pig |  | can write High Frequency dable and Red Words from memory. mum dad. and can I the my go to no | I can cons digr ship boa ch | out words with clusters, vowel and trigraphs. fill. mess ip thing rush eep now soil night. Pure. | I write more challenging words with a sound knowledge of Set 1 and 2 (RWI). <br> Red and Green Story Words (Set 1 and 2). Adjacent consonants |
| Developing Writing <br> Sentences | I can formulat simple sent writin | or | I can orally compose a sentence and hold it in my memory before I start to write it. <br> Repeats \& recalls | I can wri beginnin sounds for There may betwe Begins to $\square$ The (The) | a series of etters and my phrase. e no spaces words. readable to rs. | 는 | I can recall the order of words in my sentence. I start to put finger spaces between my words and to use known words. <br> Writing is readable. I start to read my sentence. <br> We win to the $s$ (We wert to the stere) | $\stackrel{\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{10}}{\substack{0 \\>}}$ | I can write a sentence with a full stop and capital letter. I can re-read it and check that it makes sense. Others can read my sentence. <br> Ir play with my frind. We like to jump rop! | $\square$ | write spaces all the words in tences. Some on may be used. nd end sounds cluding vowels spellings. baje I wo <br> ar withf to <br> a board and <br> han to piny My for | I can write two or more sentences. <br> Most sentences have the correct beginning and end punctuation. The end thim. |
| Text forms and purposes | I attempt to labe | mple | I can write simple labels | I can writ | simple lists. | $\stackrel{\cup}{4}$ | I can write short captions and messages. I can write lists, greeting cards and menus. | $\stackrel{\text { 可 }}{\text { ¢ }}$ | I can write captions I can write instructions. I can write postcards. | I can with I | simple stories ginning, middle nd end. rite a letter. | I can write stories with narratives and storytelling language. <br> I can write at length. |

