

DT Progression of Skills and Knowledge Document: EYFS- Year 6

Long term Sequence	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
EYFS	ELG Creating with materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form, and function; • Share their creations, explaining the process they have used; • Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories. 					
Year 1	Mechanisms	Structures	Food and Nutrition	Understanding Materials	Textiles	Food and Nutrition
Year 2	Textiles	Food and Nutrition	Mechanisms	Understanding Materials	Food and Nutrition	Structures
Year 3	Textiles	Food and Nutrition	Mechanisms	Food and Nutrition	Flexible art block*	Structures
Year 4	Food and Nutrition	Mechanisms	Textiles	Structures	Electrical systems	Food and Nutrition
Year 5	Food and Nutrition	Systems	Textiles	Mechanisms	Computing systems	Food and Nutrition
Year 6	Food and Nutrition	Mechanisms	Food and Nutrition	Structures	Electrical systems	Textiles

KEY

KNOWLEDGE

SKILLS

FINAL PRODUCT

CONTEXT

TECHNICAL LANGUAGE

Mechanisms

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Exploring pop-up books and greetings cards which feature sliders or sliding mechanisms.	Knowledge: To know a slider is a mechanism that you can push or pull.	Knowledge: To know how wheels and axles work together.	Knowledge: To know that linkages and levers can work together to aid movement.	Knowledge: To know uses for common hinges.	Knowledge: To know that a pulley system is designed to lift loads.	Knowledge: To know that a pulley and gears work together to create fluid movement.
Big questions:	Skill: To use different methods to make a card slider.	Skill: To know how to fit a wheel to an axle.	Skill: To fit together a linkage and lever.	Skill: To make different hinges using everyday materials.	Skill: To create a simple pulley system.	Skill: To create a simple pulley system with gears.
What do you need to do to make these work?	Final product: Making festive cards.	Final product: Making a modelled size wheelchair.	Final product: Making a modelled sized see-saw.	Final product: Making cardboard doors. How can we open and close them?	Final product: Making crane to lift a load.	Final product: Making a Ferris wheel.
Why do you think some books and cards look this way?						

Do you like them? Why or why not?	Context: Sell cards at Christmas Fete.	Context: Inclusion.	Context: A seesaw for a local playground. (To research or visit nearby parks in need for renovation.)	Context: Designing a fire safety door. (Safeguarding links.)	Context: Felixstowe Docks.	Context: Felixstowe Ferris Wheel.
Pull/push	Bridge, lever, slider, slot, pull/push, rigid	Wheel, axle, , dowel, body/cab, rotate, centre, position	Lever, linkage, force, load, effort	Hinge, pivot, fastener, knuckle, leaf, barrel	Pulley, fixed pulley, moveable pulley	Pulley, fixed pulley, moveable pulley, block and tackle, gear, rotate, driver gear, driven gear/idle gear (idler)

Structures

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<p>Building and construction: Building free-standing towers.</p> <p>Big questions:</p> <p>How high can you build a tower?</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know a freestanding structure is one without any attachments.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know paper gets stronger once folded.</p> <p>Skill: To fold paper to increase stability.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know that bridges are structures that allow people or vehicles to cross.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know triangles add stability in a structure.</p> <p>Skill: To make a triangle to form and joins trusses.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know designers use a range of methods to strengthen structures.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know that structures can be supported with guy lines and flying buttresses.</p>

<p>How many bricks will you use? Does this matter?</p> <p>Is a taller tower a better tower?</p> <p>What do you notice when you add more bricks?</p>	<p>Skill: To build a freestanding structure using different materials.</p> <p>Final product: To replicate a famous freestanding structure.</p> <p>Context: Leaning Tower of Pisa.</p>	<p>Final product: To build a bridge structure that can hold a book.</p> <p>Context: The Orwell Bridge.</p>	<p>Skill: To make a bridge structure featuring a tower, arch or pier.</p> <p>Final product: Can you make a bridge that can hold a toy car? (</p> <p>Context: Tower Bridge.</p>	<p>Final product: Making a triangle structure that can free stand.</p> <p>Context: The Eiffel Tower (links to French lessons.)</p>	<p>Skill: To be able to add strength to a frame using different techniques.</p> <p>Final product: To build a bridge with different frames.</p> <p>Context: The Iron Bridge.</p>	<p>Skill: To use different lengths of spaghetti to increase stability.</p> <p>Final product: To construct a tower that is at least 1m tall.</p> <p>Context: Blackpool Tower.</p>
Tower, balance	Tower, topple, lean, foundation, balance	Pillar, storey, load	Deck, pier, suspension, arch	Truss, compression, tension	Frame, brace, gussets, stuts	Guyed mast, flying buttress, aesthetics, ediface

Food and Nutrition Unit 1

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Making fruit skewers.	Knowledge: To know that colourful	Knowledge: To know why	Knowledge: To know what is meant by balanced.	Knowledge: To know processed foods have	Knowledge: To know foods from other	Knowledge: To know what street food is.

<p>Big questions:</p> <p>What does it mean to be healthy?</p> <p>What fruits can you name? Do you know where they come from?</p> <p>What foods are healthy? Which foods are unhealthy?</p>	<p>food can be healthy.</p> <p>Skill: To prepare different fruits.</p> <p>Final product: To make a fruit kebab skewer.</p> <p>Context: Kebabs from local cultures.</p>	<p>vegetables are good for us.</p> <p>Skill: To prepare a range of vegetables.</p> <p>Final product: Jam jar salads.</p> <p>Context: Making a snack for after school club.</p>	<p>To know fresh foods are better.</p> <p>Skill: To add flavour to a dish.</p> <p>Final product: Fruity yoghurt.</p> <p>Context: Making a snack for breakfast club.</p>	<p>many added ingredients.</p> <p>Skill: To make, roll and shape bread dough.</p> <p>Final product: Making pizza.</p> <p>Context: The history of pizza, its origins- links to Italian families?</p>	<p>cultures can be nutritious.</p> <p>Skill: To present food to a high standard.</p> <p>Final product: Smorrebrod.</p> <p>Context: What is Smorrebrod? How does it differ to other sandwiches?</p>	<p>Skill: To make savoury pastry.</p> <p>Final product: Samosas.</p> <p>Context: Foods from local cultures: Indian cuisine.</p>
Chopping with adult support	Chopping, peeling, grating	Chopping, peeling, grating, seasoning	Chopping, peeling, grating, seasoning, flavouring	Chopping, peeling, grating, seasoning, flavouring, rolling, shaping	Chopping, peeling, grating, seasoning, flavouring, rolling, shaping, slicing, ribboning	Chopping, peeling, grating, seasoning, flavouring, rolling, shaping, slicing, ribboning, dicing
Vitamins	Senses, sensory, vitamins	Wholemeal, processed, vitamins	Nutrition, fibre, mineral, vitamins	Processed, gluten, knead, ingredients	Fibre, knead, culture, presentation	Culture, prove, nutrient

Food and Nutrition Unit 2

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<p>Pumpkin Soup- making a healthy vegetable soup.</p> <p>Big questions:</p> <p>What does it mean to be healthy?</p> <p>What vegetables can you name? Do you know where they come from?</p> <p>What foods are healthy? Which foods are unhealthy?</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know the importance of vegetables in our diet.</p> <p>Skill: To peel, grate and season vegetables.</p> <p>Final product: To make a vegetable dip.</p> <p>Context: Dishes from local cultures.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know the difference between ultra-processed and fresh foods.</p> <p>Skill: To shape and form ingredients.</p> <p>Final product: Overnight oats.</p> <p>Context: Making a snack for breakfast club.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know how food can help the mind.</p> <p>Skill: To peel, grate and season vegetables.</p> <p>Final product: Noodle salad.</p> <p>Context: Dishes from local cultures.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know processed foods have many added ingredients such as salt and sugar.</p> <p>Skill: To peel, grate and chop vegetables.</p> <p>Final product: Chickpea curry.</p> <p>Context: Dishes from local cultures.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know eating food from different countries can help us be healthy.</p> <p>Skill: To slice and ribbon a range of vegetables.</p> <p>Final product: Vegetable stir-fry.</p> <p>Context: Dishes from local cultures.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know that food can affect our mood.</p> <p>Skill: To slice, dice, grate and peel a range of vegetables.</p> <p>Final product: Sensory salad.</p> <p>Context: Salads from round the world.</p>
Chopping with adult support	Chopping, peeling, grating, seasoning	Chopping, peeling, grating, seasoning, flavouring	Chopping, peeling, grating, seasoning, flavouring	Chopping, peeling, grating, seasoning, flavouring, rolling, shaping	Chopping, peeling, grating, seasoning, flavouring, rolling, shaping, slicing, ribboning	Chopping, peeling, grating, seasoning, flavouring, rolling, shaping, slicing, ribboning, dicing

Vitamins	Texture, vitamins, nutritious	Wholemeal, processed, vitamins, fibre, starch	Balanced, vitamins, seasoning	Texture, fragrant, fusion	Spices, fragrant, culture	Staple, nutrient, translucent, saute
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Textiles

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<p>Making a mother's day coaster.</p> <p>Big questions:</p> <p>What materials do you know?</p> <p>Which materials would be best when keeping you warm? Why?</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know two pieces of material can be joined by a running stitch.</p> <p>Skill: To know how to thread a needle.</p> <p>To know how to use a running stitch.</p> <p>Final product: To</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know how to cut out shapes made by a template.</p> <p>Skill: To cut out and join fabric shapes.</p> <p>Final product: Patchwork blankets.</p> <p>Context: Blankets for the homeless.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know how that fabrics can be stiffened.</p> <p>Skill: To use a range of solutions to stiffen.</p> <p>Final product: Making a box out of fabric.</p> <p>Context: Selling this at Christmas Fete.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know that fastenings have different functions.</p> <p>Skill: To make a shank for a button.</p> <p>Final product: Making a fastening for towel to attach to a hook.</p>	<p>Knowledge: How can we waterproof cotton fabric?</p> <p>Skill: To use make an insulated lunch bag.</p> <p>To repurpose a pillow case.</p> <p>Final product: Making a lunch bag.</p> <p>Context: Upcycling,</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know plastic items can be recycled and repurposed into practical items.</p> <p>Skill: To use plastic bags and snack packets to make practical items.</p> <p>Final product: Making a lunch bag.</p> <p>Context: Outdoor storage: problems for storing packed lunches?</p>

	make a monster hand warmer. Context: Hot and Cold places in Science.			Context: Swimming at Crown Pools.	helping the planet.	
Running stitch with support	Threading a needle, using a running stitch	Threading a needle, using a running stitch, over stitch cutting, templating.	Threading a needle, using a running stitch, over stitch, cutting, templating, stiffening.	Threading a needle, using a running stitch, basting stitch, cutting, templating.	Threading a needle, using a running stitch, basting stitch, over cast stitch cutting, templating.	Threading a needle, using a running stitch, basting stitch, over cast stitch cutting, templating, sealing.
Sewing	Sewing, running stitch, attach, felt	Patchwork, quilt, template, running stitch, over stitch, repurpose	Template, interfacing stiffen, running stich, over stitch	Hook and loop, shank, fastener, running stitch, basting stich	Repurpose, upcycle, functional, insulate	Repurpose, upcycle, reduce, recycle, seal

Understanding Materials: EYFS and KS1 only

Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Building the Orwell Bridge	Knowledge: To know materials have different properties and have different uses. Skill: To combine materials.	Knowledge: To know materials can be modified to be made waterproof.

<p>Building a House for the Three Little Pigs - can we make it waterproof?</p> <p>Big questions:</p> <p>What materials are waterproof? What does this mean? What everyday items are waterproof? Why is this important?</p> <p>Which materials are strong and sturdy? Why is this important?</p>	<p>Final product: Making a model house.</p> <p>Context: Houses in the local area/Ipswich.</p>	<p>Skill: To make paper waterproof by using different mediums.</p> <p>To fold paper effectively.</p> <p>Final product: Making a waterproof paper hat.</p> <p>Context: Designing hats for Reception to wear when accessing outdoor provision.</p>
Architect	Architect, construction, properties, modify, solidify	Waterproof, absorbent, flexible, modify, barrier

Systems (KS2 only)

Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<p>Knowledge: To know that a switch is an interruption in the circuit.</p> <p>To know why switches are useful.</p> <p>Skill: To implement a switch component into a circuit.</p> <p>Final product: Making a circuit featuring two different types of switches.</p> <p>Context: Links to Science.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know technology can be used to program and control a product.</p> <p>Skill: To use Scratch algorithm/coding.</p> <p>Final product: To program a game.</p> <p>Context: E-safety/gaming.</p>	<p>Knowledge: To know that more than one switch can affect the functionality of a product.</p> <p>Skill: To implement a switch component into a circuit.</p> <p>Final product: Making a circuit featuring two or more switches.</p> <p>Context: Outdoor storage: Links to Science.</p>
Switch, circuit, current, component, conductor, interruption, unbroken	Code, coding, algorithm, program, control, debug	Switch, parallel circuit, current, component, conductor, interruption, unbroken, functionality