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Science

	Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Working	Communication	Ask simple	Ask simple	Ask relevant	Ask relevant	With prompting,	Plan different
Scientifically	and language-	questions when	questions and	questions when	questions and	plan different	types of
	Understanding	prompted	recognise that	prompted	using different	types of	scientific
			they can be		types of	scientific	enquiries to
	Early Learning	Make relevant	answered in	Set up simple	scientific	enquiries to	answer
	Goal	observations	different ways	practical	enquiries to	answer	questions,
				enquiries,	answer them	questions	including
	Children follow	Perform simple	Observe closely,	comparative and			recognising and
	instructions	tests, with	using simple	fair tests	Set up simple	With prompting,	controlling
	involving several	support	equipment		practical	recognise and	variables where
	ideas or actions.			Make systematic	enquiries,	control variables	necessary
	They answer	Identify and	Perfrom simple	observations	comparative and	where necessary	
	'how' and 'why'	classify	tests	using simple	fair tests		Take
	questions about			equipment		Select, with	measurements
	their	Use observations	Identify and		Make systematic	prompting, and	using a range o
	experiences and	and ideas to	Clasify	With prompting,	and careful	use appropriate	scientific
	in response to	suggest answers		use various ways	observations	equipment to	equipment, wit
	events.	to questions	Use their	of recording,	and, where	take readings	increasing
			observations and	grouping and	appropriate,		accuracy and
		With prompting,	ideas to suggest	displaying	taking accurate	Take precise	precision, takin
		suggest how	answers to	evidence	measurements	measurements	repeat reading
		findings could be	questions		using standard	using standard	when
		recorded			units, using a	units	appropriate
					range of		



Gather and	Suggest how	equipment,	Take and process	recording data
record data to	findings could be	including	repeat readings	and results of
help in	reported	thermometers		increasing
answering		and data loggers	Record data and	complexity using
questions	With prompting,		results	scientific
	suggest	Gather, record,		diagrams and
	conclusions from	classify and	Record data	labels,
	enquiries	present data in a	using labelled	classification
		variety of ways	diagrams, keys,	keys, tables,
	Identify	to help in	tables and charts	scatter graphs,
	differences,	answering		bar and line
	similarities or	questions	Use line graphs	graphs
	changes related		to record data	
	to simple	Record findings		Use test results
	scientific ideas	using simple	Report and	to make
	and processes	scientific	present findings	predictions to
		language,	from enquiries,	set up further
	Use	drawings,	including	comparative and
	straightforward	labelled	conclusions and,	fair tests
	scientific	diagrams, keys,	with prompting,	
	evidence to	bar charts, and	suggest causal	Reportg and
	answer	tables	relationships	present findings
	questions or to			from enquiries,
	support their	Report on	With support,	including
	findings.	findings from	present findings	conclusions,
		enquiries,	from enquiries	causal
	Suggest possible	including oral	orally and in	relationships an
	improvements or	and written	writing	explanations of
		explanations,	_	and a degree of
		displays or		trust in results,
				in oral and



further questions	presentations of	With prompting,	written forms
to investigate	results and	identify that not	such as displays
	conclusions	all results may	and other
		be trustworthy	presentations
	Use results to		
	draw simple	Suggest how	Identify scientific
	conclusions,	evidence can	evidence that
	make predictions	support	has been used to
	for new values,	conclusions	support or refute
	suggest		ideas or
	improvements	Suggest further	arguments
	and raise further	comparative or	Ū
	questions	fair tests	
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	Identify		
	, differences,		
	similarities or		
	changes related		
	to simple		
	scientific ideas		
	and processes		
	Use		
	straightforward		
	scientific		
	evidence to		
	answer		
	questions or to		
	support their		
	findings.		



Plants	Identify and	Observe and	Identify and		
See box	res below ng thins name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees	describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy	describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers Explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant Investigate the way in which water is		



				transported within plants Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal			
Animals including humans.	Physical development- health and self- care 40-60 Eats a healthy range of foodstuffs and understands need for variety in food. •Shows some understanding that good practices with regard to exercise, eating, sleeping and	Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores	Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air)	Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat Identify that humans and some other animals have	Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions Construct and interpret a variety of food chains,	Describe the changes as humans develop to old age	Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on



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	hygiene can	Describe and	Describe the	skeletons and	identifying	the way their
	contribute to	compare the	importance for	muscles for	producers,	bodies function
	good health.	structure of a	humans of	support,	predators and	
	 Shows 	variety of	exercise, eating	protection and	prey	Describe the
	understanding	common animals	the right	movement		ways in which
	of the need for	(fish <i>,</i>	amounts of			nutrients and
	safety when	amphibians,	different types of			water are
	tackling new	reptiles, birds	food, and			transported
	challenges, and	and mammals	hygiene			within animals,
	considers and	including pets)				including
	manages some					humans
	risks.	Identify, name,				
		draw and label				
		the basic parts of				
	Early Learning	the human body				
	Goal	and say which				
	Children follow	part of the body				
	instructions	is associated				
	involving several	with each sense				
	ideas or actions.					
	They answer					
	'how' and 'why'					
	questions about					
	their					
	experiences					
Everyday		Distinguish	Identify and			
Materials		between an	compare the			
	See box below in	object and the	suitability of a			
	living things	material from	variety of			
		which it is made	everyday			
			materials.			



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	name a variety	including wood, metal, plastic,		
		glass, brick, rock, paper and		
		cardboard for		
		particular uses		
	metal, water,	particular uses		
		Find out how the		
		shapes of solid		
		objects made		
		from some		
		materials can be		
		changed by		
		squashing,		
		bending, twisting		
		and stretching		
	Compare and			
	group together a			
	variety of			
	everyday			
	materials on the			
	basis of their			
	simple physical			
	properties			
Seasonal	Observe changes			
Changes	across the 4			
	seasons			



		Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies				
Living things and their habitats	Understanding the world- The World 30-50 months •Comments and asks questions about aspects of their familiar world such as the place where they live or the natural world. •Can talk about some of the things they have observed such as plants, animals, natural and found objects.		Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of	Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose	Describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.	Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro- organisms, plants and animals Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific
	•Talks about why things		animals and plants, and how			characteristics



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happen and how	they depend on	dangers to living	
things work.	each other	things	
•Developing an			
understanding	Identify and		
of growth, decay	name a variety		
and changes	of plants and		
over time.	animals in their		
•Shows care and	habitats,		
concern for	including		
living things and	microhabitats		
the environment			
	Describe how		
40-60 months	animals obtain		
•Looks closely at	their food from		
similarities,	plants and other		
differences,	animals, using		
patterns and	the idea of a		
change.	simple food		
	chain, and		
Early Learning	identify and		
Goal	name different		
Children know	sources of food		
about			
similarities and			
differences in			
relation to			
places, objects,			
materials and			
living things.			
They talk about			
the features of			



1	their own				
	immediate				
	environment				
	and how				
	environments				
	might vary from				
	one another.				
	They make				
	observations of				
	animals and				
	plants and				
	explain why				
	some things				
	occur, and talk				
	about				
	changes.				
Rocks			Compare and		
			group together		
			different kinds of		
			rocks on the		
			basis of their		
			appearance and		
			simple physical		
			properties		
			Describe in		
			simple terms		
			how fossils are		
			formed when		
			things that have		



they ne in orde things a dark is absend Notice is reflet surface Recogn light fro sun car danger that th ways to their ey	ce of light e that light ected from es nise that rom the in be rous and here are to protect eyes nise that	Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from



	formed when	light sources to
	the light from a	objects and then
	light source is	to our eyes
	blocked by an	
	opaque object	Use the idea that
		light travels in
	Find patterns in	straight lines to
	the way that the	explain why
	size of shadows	shadows have
	change	the same shape
		as the objects
		that cast them
Forces and	Compare how	Explain that
Magnets	things move on	unsupported
	different	objects fall
	surfaces	towards the
		Earth because of
	Notice that some	the force of
	forces need	gravity acting
	contact between	between the
	2 objects, but	Earth and the
	magnetic forces	falling object
	can act at a	
	distance	Identify the
		effects of air
	Observe how	resistance, water
	magnets attract	resistance and
	or repel each	friction, that act



other and attract	between moving
some materials	surfaces
and not others	
	Recognise that
Compare and	some
group together a	mechanisms
variety of	including levers,
everyday	pulleys and gears
materials on the	allow a smaller
basis of whether	force to have a
they are	greater effect
attracted to a	
magnet, and	
identify some	
magnetic	
materials	
Describe	
magnets as	
having 2 poles	
Predict whether	
2 magnets will	
attract or repel	
each other,	
depending on	
which poles are	
facing	



Properties and		Compare and	Compare and
changes of		group materials	group together
materials		together,	everyday
		according to	materials on the
		whether they are	basis of their
		solids, liquids or	properties,
		gases	including their
			hardness,
		Observe that	solubility,
		some materials	transparency,
		change state	conductivity
		when they are	(electrical and
		heated or	thermal), and
		cooled, and	response to
		measure or	magnets
		research the	
		temperature at	Know that some
		which this	materials will
		happens in	dissolve in liquid
		degrees Celsius	to form a
		(°C)	solution, and
			describe how to
		Identify the part	recover a
		played by	substance from a
		evaporation and	solution
		condensation in	
		the water cycle	Use knowledge
		and associate	of solids, liquids
		the rate of	and gases to
			decide how
			mixtures might



			evaporation with	be separated,
			temperature	including
				through filtering,
				sieving and
				evaporating
				Give reasons,
				based on
				evidence from
				comparative and
				fair tests, for the
				particular uses of
				everyday
				materials,
				including metals,
				wood and plastic
				Demonstrate
				that dissolving,
				mixing and
				changes of state
				are reversible
				changes
				Explain that
				some changes
				result in the
				formation of
				new materials,
				and that this
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		kind of change is not usually reversible, including changes associated with burning and the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda
Sound	Identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating	
	Recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear	
	Find patterns between the pitch of a sound	



	and features of the object that produced itFind patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced itRecognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source	
Electricity	Identify common appliances that run on electricity Construct a simple series electrical circuit,	Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells
	identifying and naming its basic parts, including	used in the circuit



cells, wires,	Compare and
bulbs, switches	give reasons for
and buzzers	variations in how
	components
Identify whether	function,
or not a lamp	including the
will light in a	brightness of
simple series	bulbs, the
circuit, based on	loudness of
whether or not	buzzers and the
the lamp is part	on/off position
of a complete	of switches
loop with a	
battery	Use recognised
	symbols when
Recognise that a	representing a
switch opens and	simple circuit in
closes a circuit	a diagram
and associate	
this with	
whether or not a	
lamp lights in a	
simple series	
circuit	
Recognise some	
common	
conductors and	
insulators, and	
associate metals	



		with being good	
		conductors	
Earth and Space			Describe the
			movement of
			the Earth and
			other planets
			relative to the
			sun in the solar
			system
			System
			Describe the
			movement of
			the moon
			relative to the
			Earth
			Earth
			Describe the sur
			Describe the sun,
			Earth and moon
			as approximately
			spherical bodies
			Use the idea of
			the Earth's
			rotation to
			explain day and
			night and the
			apparent
			movement of



			the sun across the sky	
Evolution and Inheritance				Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago
				Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents
				Identify how animals and plants are



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			adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution