

Science: Progression of vocabulary

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Working Scientifically Science, experiment, changes, time, look closely. Equipment: Magnifying glass.	Working Scientifically Question, answer, observe, observing, equipment, identify, sort, group, compare, differences, similarities, describe, measurements, test, results, secondary, primary, sources. Record: diagram, chart.		Working Scientifically Oral and written explanations, conclusion, predictions, criteria, classify, changes, data, contrast, evidence, improve, guides, keys, construct, interpret. Research: relevant question. Equipment: thermometer. Data: gather, standard units, record, classify, present. Record: drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, tables.		Working Scientifically Plan, variables, measurements, accuracy, precision, repeat readings, predictions, further comparative and fair test, identify, classify and describe, patterns, systematic, quantitative measurements, biology, physics, chemistry. Report data: scientific diagrams, labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar graph and line graphs. Report and present: conclusions, casual relationships, explanations, degree of trust, oral and written display and presentation. Evidence: support, refute, ideas or arguments.	
Animals, plants and people Human, head, face, hair, eyes, nose, mouth, ears, leg, knee, feet, toes arm, elbow, hand, fingers. Sight, seeing, hearing, listening, taste, eating, smell, touch, feeling. Animal, fish, birds, local animals to include: fox,	Animals including humans Amphibians, fish, reptiles, mammals, birds (+ 3 examples of each) herbivore, omnivore, carnivore. Head, nose, ear, neck, shoulder, arm, elbow, wrist, hand, back, chest, hip, leg, knee, ankle, foot. Wing, beak, tail, fin. sight, smell, touch, taste, hearing.	Animals including humans Survival, water, air, food reproduce, adult, baby, offspring, kitten, calf, puppy. Food chain, prey, predator, camouflage, protection. Exercise, hygiene, balanced diet.	Animals including humans Skeleton, skull, bones, muscles, movement, support, protection, nutrition.	Animals including humans Mouth, tongue, teeth, oseophagus, stomach, small intestine, large intestine, nutrients, absorb, canine, incisor, molar. producer, consumer, apex predator.	Animals including humans Womb, foetus, embryo, gestation, baby, toddler, teenager, elderly. growth, development, puberty.	Animals including humans Function, circulatory system, heart, valve, blood vessel, vein, artery transport, oxygenated, deoxygenated. lifestyle, drug.
rabbit, squirrel, badger, deer. Habitats, home, hot, cold, ocean, forest, desert.	Plants deciduous, evergreen, tree, leaf, flower, petals, fruit, bulb, seed, roots, stem, trunk, branches.	Plants Growth, germinate, light, temperature. reproduce, lifecycle.	Plants Air, water, transportation, nutrients, soil, reproduction, seed formation, seed dispersal, pollination.			
Tree, trunk, branch, leaves, flowers, stem, petals, roots, bulb, seed, fruit.		Living things & their habitats Living, dead, habitat, microhabitat, woodland, meadow, hedgerow, pond.		Living things & their habitats Vertebrates, invertebrates (+ 3 examples of each) environment, habitat, classification key.	Living things & their habitats Life process, reproduction, offspring.	Living things & their habitats Characteristic, classification, organism, micro-organism.

						Evolution & Inheritance Adaptation, evolution, characteristic, reproduction, genetics, survival
Materials	Everyday materials	Everyday materials and	Rocks	States of matter	Properties and changes to	
Material, wood, plastic,	EYFS + Rock, glass, paper,	their uses	Soils, organic matter,	Solid, liquid, gas,	Materials	
metal.	hard, soft, rough, smooth,	Brick, fabric, elastic, foil.	fossil, crystal, sandstone,	evaporation,	Hardness, transparency,	
	shiny, dull, bendy, stiff.	property, solid,	granite, marble, pumice	condensation, particle,	conductivity (electrical,	
Shiny, hard, soft, rough,		waterproof,	absorbent, crumble	temperature, freezing,	thermal) solubility,	
smooth.		absorbent, opaque,	sedimentary, layer,	heating.	solution.	
		Transparent, squash,	sediment.		Dissolve, filter, evaporate,	
		bend, flexible, twist,	Igneous, magma, lava, gas		sieve, reversible,	
		stretch.	bubbles (tiny holes/		irreversible.	
		Push, pull, roll, slide,	spaces) metamorphic,			
		bounce.	change, squeeze, pressure.			
Seasons	Seasonal change		Light	Sound	Earth & Space	Light
Seasons, summer, spring,	EYFS + day, week, month,		Light source, mirror,	Vibration, wave, volume,	Earth, sun, moon, solar	Refraction, reflection,
autumn winter, day, light,	Year and the names of the		reflect, reflective,	pitch, tone, insulation	system, axis of rotation,	spectrum, rainbow.
daylight, night, dark, sun,	months.		reflection, shadow,		day, night, phases of the	
moon.			blocked, transparent,		moon, star, constellation.	
			translucent, opaque.			
Cold, freeze, hard, hot,			Forces & magnets		Forces	
melt, soft, float, sink			Force, contact, surface,		Air resistance, water	
			magnetic, attract, repel,		resistance, friction, gravity	
Magnets, push, pull.			poles.		lever, gear, pulley,	
					Newtons.	
				Electricity		Electricity
				Appliance, battery power,		Circuit - series, parallel
				main power, circuit, series,		voltage, volts, amps.
				cell, battery, wire, bulb,		
				switch, break in circuit,		
				conductor, insulator.		