

Whole-school programmes for catch-up

A guide to **Pearson Primary Literacy and English** and how each of our products can help support your school with catch-up



Supporting you with catch-up

Following the recent disruption in learning, we know you'll be planning to fit 'catch-up' into your existing lesson plans as you continue teaching content for the coming year.

Whether it's bridging the gap in early language development, phonics catch-up, reading intervention or reinforcement of learning and understanding, we know that you and your students need a wide variety of resources, tools and support.

We've created this guide to show how each of our Primary Literacy products can help you get your pupils back on track, so they can progress to their next attainment level and succeed. We hope you find it useful.

Best wishes,

The Pearson Literacy and English Team



Primary English Portfolio Map

READING

LANGUAGE

	Learning to read	Comprehension and vocabulary	Whole-class English	Writing	Spelling, punctuation, and grammar
Diagnose	<p>Bug Club Phonics Phase assessments (KS1)</p> <p>Rapid Phonics placement tests (for children in Y2 and KS2 who are struggling with phonics)</p> <p>Progress and Assess Tests (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Rapid Reading placement tests (for children in KS2 working well below expectations)"</p>	<p>Progress and Assess Tests (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Pinpoint Comprehension (KS2)</p> <p>Rapid Reading placement tests (for children in KS2 working well below expectations)</p>	SEE OTHER CATEGORIES	<p>Rapid Writing placement tests (for children in KS2 working well below expectations)</p>	<p>G&S Bug diagnostic checks (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Wordsmith interactive "pilot-licence" grammar checks (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Wordsmith grammar progress check worksheets (KS1 and KS2)</p>
Teach	<p>Bug Club Phonics WCT (KS1)</p>	<p>Bug Club Vocabulary (EYFS/KS1)</p> <p>Bug Club Shared (KS1)</p> <p>Bug Club Guided (KS1 and KS2)"</p>	<p>Wordsmith (KS1 and KS2)</p>	<p>Power English: Writing (KS2)</p>	<p>G&S Bug teaching units (KS1 and KS2)</p>
Practise	<p>Bug Club Phonics books/eBooks (KS1)</p> <p>Bug Club Independent eBooks and comprehension questions (KS1 and KS2)</p>	<p>Bug Club Independent eBooks and comprehension questions (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Bug Club Guided KS2 workbooks</p> <p>Pinpoint Comprehension (KS2)</p>	<p>Wordsmith (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Pinpoint Whole-class reading (Y5 and Y6)</p>	<p>Power English: Writing (KS2)</p>	<p>Pinpoint Spelling (KS2)</p> <p>Pinpoint G&P (KS2)</p> <p>G&S Bug games (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Power English: Writing Tips and Tricks cards (KS2)</p>
Assess	<p>Progress and Assess Tests (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Bug Club Phonics Mock Phonics Screening Check (KS1)</p> <p>Bug Club Phonics Phase assessments (KS1)</p> <p>Rapid Reading Tests (tests for each Rapid Stage consisting of print only benchmark books, accompanying running record (TG), verbal comprehension questions for Stages 1-6 and SATs style comprehension questions for Stages 7-9) (KS2)</p>			<p>Power English: Writing assessment scales (KS2)</p>	<p>G&S Bug summative tests (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Wordsmith interactive "pilot-licence" grammar checks (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Wordsmith grammar progress check worksheets (KS1 and KS2)</p>
Catch-up	<p>Rapid Phonics books/eBooks (Y2 and KS2)</p>	<p>Rapid Reading books or eBooks and comprehension questions (KS2)</p>	<p>Rapid Reading and Rapid Writing (KS2)</p>	<p>Rapid Writing (KS2)</p>	<p>Rapid Writing (KS2)</p>
Learn at home	<p>Bug Club Phonics eBooks (KS1)</p> <p>Bug Club Phonics games (KS1)</p> <p>Bug Club Independent eBooks and comprehension questions (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Rapid Phonics books/eBooks (Y2 and KS2)</p>	<p>Bug Club Independent eBooks and comprehension questions (KS1 and KS2)</p> <p>Pinpoint Comprehension (KS2)</p> <p>Bug Club Shared eBooks, print books and comprehension/vocab questions (KS1)</p> <p>Bug Club Guided KS2 Workbooks</p> <p>Rapid Reading books or eBooks and comprehension questions (KS2)</p>	<p>Wordsmith allocatable eBooks, interactives, worksheets and assessments (KS1 and KS2)</p>	<p>Power English: Writing genre booklets and worksheets (KS2)</p> <p>Power English: Writing Tips and Tricks cards (KS2)</p>	<p>Pinpoint Spelling</p> <p>Pinpoint G&P</p> <p>G&S Bug video tutorials and games</p>






Learning to read







Comprehension and vocabulary

Whole-class English



Writing




Spelling, punctuation, and grammar

PROGRAMME	COMPONENT	DESCRIPTION
Progress & Assess Reading Tests (R/KS1/KS2) 	Tests (print / online)	Progress tests available in print or online that are matched to UK book bands and are designed to highlight areas of strength and weakness. Progression maps so that you can identify concepts you need to revise before your children can move on. Input test results into the online Tracking and Reporting Tool and it will calculate how each child is performing against Age Related Expectations, and what progress they are making against the National Standard. Ideal for identifying both where your learners are in their reading journey and when your learners are ready to progress.
Bug Club Phonics (R/KS1) 	Complete Programme Bug Club Phonics Whole Class Teaching Bug Club Phonics books/ eBooks Bug Club Phonics Phase Assessments Bug Club Phonics Mock Phonics Screening Check	A DfE-approved phonics teaching programme which aims to help all children in your school learn to read by the age of six in a fun and accessible way. Bug Club Phonics follows the order of Letters and Sounds and matches the National Curriculum and Early Learning Goals. Engaging teaching screens which include videos, games and handwriting practice. Games can be allocated to children for practice at home or in the classroom. 134 fully decodable readers with fiction and non-fiction titles from Letters and Sounds Phases 2 to 5 including stories from the hugely popular CBeebies Alphablock characters ensure children read from books with the sounds they know as they are learning to read. All titles are also available in an engaging online reading world which includes allocatable eBooks so all children can apply the knowledge and skills from their phonics lesson at home that night. In addition to appropriate and informal assessment opportunities offered throughout the daily lessons, and through fun games in the online world, end of unit and phase summative assessments identify both where your learners are in their phonics journey and when your learners are ready to progress. 3 Mock tests available to carry out with your learner. These tests replicate the style of the Phonics Screening Check.
Bug Club Independent (R/KS1/KS2) 	Printed books OR eBooks and comprehension questions (KS1 and KS2)	An independent reading solution that encourages readers to read at home with 164 fully decodable titles from our Bug Club Phonics programme and over 300 additional fiction and non-fiction print books, comics and graphic novels alongside an online reading world. It includes teaching tools to help with planning, assessing and monitoring progress to ensure all children are reading at a level which is right for them and are making progress.
Rapid Phonics (Y2 and KS2) 	Complete Programme Placement tests Rapid Phonics books/ eBooks	A phonics catch-up programme for children in Y2 upwards. Placement tests for children in Y2 and upwards who are struggling with phonics. 56 finely levelled printed books and eBooks for practice both at home and in the classroom.
Rapid Reading (KS2) 	Complete Programme Placement tests Rapid Reading printed books OR eBooks and comprehension questions Rapid Reading Assessment	A reading catch-up programme for children in KS2. An independent study by the National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) told us that children using Rapid Reading make more than twice the normal rate of progress in reading. And a trial in Worcestershire found children quadrupled their expected reading progress! Placement tests for children in KS2 working well below expectations in reading. Hundreds of fiction and non-fiction books and eBooks with a variety of engaging topics. Rapid Reading eBooks provide comprehension activities throughout the books. Assessment tests for each Rapid Stage consisting of print only benchmark books, accompanying running record (available in the TG), verbal comprehension questions for Stages 1-6 and SATs style comprehension questions for Stages 7-9.

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Pinpoint Comprehension (KS2) 	Photocopiable worksheets / SATs style	Confidence-building, independent activities for Year 3-6 / P4-7 that help children to master a wide range of comprehension strategies. The resources are photocopiable to allow repeated use year-on-year. The curriculum-matched units follow the principles of scaffolded practice by reducing the support as children grow in confidence. SATs style questions are mapped to the KS2 content domains. The Pinpoint characters provide friendly hints and tips. Contains a good mix of contemporary and classic fiction, stimulating non-fiction and engaging poetry. The comprehensive mark scheme provides answers and commonly made mistakes. Ideal for identifying both where your learners are in their reading journey and when your learners are ready to progress.
Bug Club Vocabulary (Nursery/R) 	Complete programme	The Bug Club Vocabulary Language Booster is a fun and effective series of play based sessions for children in Reception and the Early Years who start school behind their peers in their language development. Sessions are designed to be delivered by a teaching assistant, including a placement probe and assessment tasks to measure progress. The lesson plans are specifically designed to help children in Reception who need a little extra help with their language development, using those all-important traditional tales for effective, motivating lessons that work on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Story making and telling • Speaking and listening skills • Creating and sequencing stories • Confidence
Bug Club Shared (R/KS1) 	Complete programme	Bug Club Shared is a primary reading scheme that uses high-quality books, designed to be read out loud, to encourage excitement around reading for pleasure. With a structured, systematic approach to vocabulary progression, these beautifully illustrated books introduce children to rich and challenging words from other subject areas that enable them to make cross-curricular links in their learning.
Bug Club Guided (R/KS1) 	Complete Programme	A robust guided reading programme with over 250 engaging texts across Key Stage 1 and 2, Bug Club Guided helps children master fluency and deepen comprehension. Guided Reading is broken into KS1/P1-3 and KS2/P4-7 packages, with each approached differently to better suit the stage of your children's development. Bug Club Guided Reading at Key Stage 1 is centred around books your children want to read. Time saving guided reading cards accompany each of the books and cover multiple sessions that go into depth with each text. These focus on questions that will challenge and grow your children's comprehension skills. There are also accompanying photocopiable activities to support each title and extend learning, along with comprehension activities within each eBook.
Bug Club Guided (KS2) 	Complete Programme	A robust guided reading programme with over 250 engaging texts across Key Stage 1 and 2, Bug Club Guided helps children master fluency and deepen comprehension. Guided Reading is broken into KS1/P1-3 and KS2/P4-7 packages, with each approached differently to better suit the stage of your children's development. Bug Club Guided at Key Stage 2 uses weekly teaching cycles that apply eight key learning strategies, including three key questions. Workbooks are provided to enable children to apply what they have learned either at home or in the classroom.

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Bug Club Independent (R/KS1/KS2) 	Printed books OR eBooks and comprehension questions (KS1 and KS2)	<p>An independent reading solution that encourages readers to read at home with 164 fully decodable titles from our Bug Club Phonics programme and over 300 additional fiction and non-fiction print books, comics and graphic novels alongside an online reading world. It includes teaching tools to help with planning, assessing and monitoring progress to ensure all children are reading at a level which is right for them and are making progress.</p> <p>Quiz questions throughout each eBook help to challenge and grow your children's comprehension skills."</p>
	Rapid Reading (KS2) 	Complete Programme Placement tests Rapid Reading printed books OR eBooks and comprehension questions Rapid Reading Assessment

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Wordsmith (R/KS1/KS2) 	Complete Programme	<p>Wordsmith is a fully-integrated programme for reading comprehension, speaking and listening, grammar and writing, designed to ensure progress for every child.</p> <p>Wordsmith provides you with a consistent approach to teaching with detailed planning to help you improve results in English.</p>
	Grammar strand	<p>Wordsmith grammar strand consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grammar interactive teaching resources and lesson plans to assist with the teaching of GPS content • Interactive ""pilot-licence"" grammar checks to highlight children's progress and areas of weakness • Grammar progress check worksheets to highlight children's progress and areas of weakness
	Complete Programme	<p>Wordsmith contains:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • allocatable eBooks (Fiction, non-fiction, poetry) • interactives teaching screens • worksheets • assessments
Pinpoint Whole-class reading (Y5 and Y6) 	Complete Programme	<p>Y5-6 teaching guides for a fresh selection of class reading texts chosen for their contemporary themes.</p> <p>30 flexible lessons per book covering all areas of the English curriculum including writing, comprehension, spoken language and drama, as well as poetry & non-fiction.</p> <p>Cross-curricular activities and vocabulary builders included for each book.</p>
Rapid Family (Phonics, Reading, Writing) 	Complete Programme	<p><i>SEE PREVIOUS TABS FOR FULL DESCRIPTIONS OF EACH PRODUCT.</i></p>

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Power English: Writing (KS2) 	Complete programme	<p>Power English: Writing is a structured writing approach which follows a proven pedagogical cycle. It covers Key Stage 2, and includes materials to produce at least nine class writing projects per year.</p> <p>Power English: Writing includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching Guides for each year group containing a comprehensive bank of mini-lessons with advice for classroom implementation and an introduction to the process writing pedagogy. • Resources, including Lesson Plans, Genre Booklets and Writing Tips & Tricks Cards. • An online interactive planning tool that allows you to plan and flex your teaching according to the needs of your class.
	Teaching guides	Teaching Guides for each year group contain structured lesson plans and mini-lessons so you can target your teaching to the needs of your class. There's lots of advice for classroom implementation, including the teaching cycle and an introduction to the process writing pedagogy.
	Mini-lessons	Mini-lessons contain an introduction to the process writing pedagogy, along with lessons in using grammar and punctuation in context.
	Interactive online planner	An interactive online planner containing lesson plans linked to interactives. These allow you to plan and flex your teaching according to the needs of your class whilst still ensuring full curriculum coverage.
	Genre booklets	Child-facing online Genre Booklets provide children with the tools they need to produce successful written outcomes in each genre and can be used as part of children's class writing projects or for reference during personal writing time. Ideal for use both in the classroom and at home.
	Tips and Tricks cards	Writing Tips & Tricks cards cover grammar, punctuation and spelling for each year group, giving children usable techniques and strategies they can apply in their writing at any time.
	Assessment scales	Included in the teaching guides you will find assessment scales and advice on assessing writing, with examples.
Rapid Writing (KS2) 	Placement tests	Rapid Writing placement tests for children in KS2 working well below expectations.
	Programme	<p>Rapid Writing is a different approach to writing catch-up. Ideal for use with small groups or for one-to-one support, it's perfect for helping close the attainment gap in writing. Created by expert authors, you can be reassured that the progression is spot on and will help children succeed across the whole curriculum.</p> <p>Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everything you need to help struggling writers to catch-up and close the gap. • Fun contexts and fantastic design ensure children enjoy writing. • Encourages self-confidence and pride in work. • Text to speech technology makes writing come alive. • Familiar characters from Rapid reading books support the link between reading and writing. • Focus on Spelling and Grammar – an important feature of the curriculum in England. • Integrated assessment to ensure children make progress.

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Grammar and Spelling Bug (KS1/KS2) 	Complete programme	A whole-school, online solution to the teaching, practice and assessment of spelling, punctuation and grammar. G&S Bug consists of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diagnostic checks to highlight current knowledge and areas of weakness • Teaching guidance • Online practice games and video tutorials that help children master essential skills • Summative assessments to highlight children's progress and areas of weakness
Wordsmith (R/KS1/KS2) 	Complete programme Grammar Strand	Wordsmith is a fully-integrated programme for reading comprehension, speaking and listening, grammar and writing, designed to ensure progress for every child. Wordsmith provides you with a consistent approach to teaching with detailed planning to help you improve results in English. Wordsmith grammar strand consists of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grammar interactive teaching resources and lesson plans to assist with the teaching of GPS content • Interactive "pilot-licence" grammar checks to highlight children's progress and areas of weakness • Grammar progress check worksheets to highlight children's progress and areas of weakness"
Pinpoint Spelling (KS2) 	Photocopiable worksheets/SATs style	Photocopiable activities which provide comprehensive coverage of the National Curriculum requirements for spelling so you can easily find the activities that complement your teaching. Spelling rules are introduced in child friendly language, and then tackled through a series of structured tasks which scaffold children's learning, ensuring progress regardless of the starting point. Targeted practice at 3 levels supports all children to work independently
Pinpoint Grammar and Punctuation (KS2) 	Photocopiable worksheets/SATs style	Structured and scaffolded photocopiable activities which cover the core areas of the English National Curriculum in grammar and punctuation. Grammar and Punctuation rules are introduced in child friendly language, and then tackled through a series of structured tasks which scaffold children's learning, ensuring progress regardless of the starting point. Targeted practice at 3 levels supports all children to work independently"
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