End of Key Stage 2 statutory assessment – Working at the expected standard

Write effectively for a range of purposes and audiences, selecting language that shows good awareness of the reader (e.g. the use of the first person in a diary; direct address in instructions and persuasive writing)

In narratives, describe settings, characters and atmosphere

Integrate dialogue in narratives to convey character and advance the action

Select vocabulary and grammatical structures that reflect what the writing requires, doing this mostly appropriately (e.g. using contracted forms in dialogues in narrative; using passive verbs to affect how information is presented; using modal verbs to suggest degrees of possibility)

Use a range of devices to build cohesion (e.g. conjunctions, adverbials of time and place, pronouns, synonyms) within and across paragraphs

Use verb tenses consistently and correctly throughout their writing

Using mostly correctly (Although all don't need to be evidenced in writing)

inverted commas
commas for clarity
punctuation for parenthesis
semi-colons
dashes
colons
hyphens

Spell most words correctly* (year 5 and 6) and use a dictionary to check the spelling of uncommon or more ambitious vocabulary

Maintain legibility in joined handwriting when writing at speed.

End of Key Stage 2 statutory assessment – Working at greater depth within the expected standard

The pupil can write for a range of purposes and audiences

Write effectively for a range of purposes and audiences, selecting the appropriate form and drawing independently on what they have read as models for their own writing (e.g. literary language, characterisation, structure)

Distinguish between the language of speech and writing3 and choose the appropriate register

Exercise an assured and conscious control over levels of formality, particularly through manipulating grammar and vocabulary to achieve this

Use the range of punctuation taught at key stage 2 correctly (e.g. semi-colons, dashes, colons, hyphens) and, when necessary, use such punctuation precisely to enhance meaning and avoid ambiguity.