

Year 6 Punctuation and Grammar Expectations

Word

- I can use the correct vocabulary when writing informal speech (e.g. find out, ask for).
- I can use the correct vocabulary when writing formal speech (e.g. discover, request).
- I can use synonyms and antonyms and know how they are related. (e.g. big, large, little).

<u>Sentence</u>

- I can use **passive** and **active verbs** to change the way a sentence is presented.
- o Active e.g. I broke the window in the greenhouse.
- o **Passive** e.g. The window in the greenhouse was broken by me.
- I can use question tags in informal speech. (e.g. He's your friend, isn't he?).
- I can use subjunctive forms (e.g. 'If <u>I were'</u> or '<u>Were they</u> to come.').

<u>Text</u>

- I can link ideas across paragraphs using repetition of a word.
- I can link ideas across paragraphs using adverbials (e.g. on the other hand, as a consequence).
- I can use an ellipsis to good effect.
- I can structure a text using different devices (e.g. headings, sub-headings, columns, bullets or tables).

Punctuation

- I can use a **semi-colon** to mark the boundary between clauses (e.g. It's raining; I'm fed up).
- I can use a dash to mark the boundary between clauses.
- I can use a colon to introduce a list and a semi-colon within a list.
- I can use bullet points to list information.
- I can use hyphens to make my writing clear (e.g. man eating shark versus man-eating shark).

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<u>Terminology</u>

subject object active passive synonym antonym ellipsis hyphen colon semi colon bullet points