**Writing**

End of year expectations

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**Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation**

- Some varied vocabulary to create detail, effect and interest.
- Use noun phrases (e.g. the dark, spooky house).
  - Use ‘or’, ‘and’, ‘but’.
- Past and present tense generally consistent.
- Use a wider range of sentence starters (e.g. suddenly).
- Use simple and compound sentences.
- Use a range of sentence types (e.g. questions, statements, commands or exclamations).
- Using subordination (e.g. when, if, until).
- Use capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks with increasing accuracy.
  - Use commas in a list.
- Use apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling.

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