

St. Anselm's Primary –Grammar Progression

Year 4 Grammar Coverage

Possessive apostrophes for regular singular and plural nouns	Using either a pronoun or the noun in sentences for cohesion and to avoid repetition	Prepositions: at, underneath, since, towards, beneath, beyond	Compound nouns using hyphens	Repetition to persuade: Fun for now, fun for life
Informal and formal language	Possessive pronouns: yours, mine, theirs, ours, hers, his, its	Plurals for nouns ending with a "y": change the "y" to an "i" and add "-es" baby – babies.	Starting a sentence with "-ing", using a comma to demarcate the subordinate clause: Flying through the air, Harry crashed into a hidden tree.	Drop-in clause with an "-ing" verb: Tom, smiling secretly, hid the magic potion book. Place a comma on either side of the subordinate clause.
Expanded noun phrases: Changing The teacher to The strict English teacher with the grey beard	Specific determiners: their, whose, this, that, these, those, which	Verbs ending in "y": change the "y" to an "i" and add "-es" carry – carries	Comparative and superlative adjectives: Change the "y" to an "i" and add either "-er" or "-est" happy – happier – happiest.	A sentence that gives three actions: Tom slammed the door, threw his books on the floor and slumped to the ground.
Fronted adverbials followed by a comma: prepositional phrases starting with an adjective and ending in "-ed"	Verbs – Past perfect continuous: "had" + past participle + "-ing"	Know the difference between a preposition and an adverb	Capital letters for proper nouns: names, places, days of the week, months, titles and languages	Prefixes to give the antonym: "im-", "in-", "ir-", "il-"
Plural nouns of words ending in "o": Know which words to add "s" to, which to add "-es" to and which could take either "s" or "-es"	Powerful verbs Find synonyms of words to up-level sentences and give a greater effect	Verbs – Modal verbs: could, should, would	Compound sentences using all the co-ordinating conjunctions.	Adjectives ending in "-ed": frightened, scared, etc.
Using inverted commas where the speech is preceded by the speaker: Mary yelled, "Sit down!"				

<p>Capital letter and punctuation is needed between the inverted commas. New speaker, new line. Add an adverb to describe the manner in which the words were said.</p>			
Spelling		Sentence/Grammar Lesson	
<p>Plural nouns of words ending in “o” Specific determiners Synonyms for verbs Progressive/continuous verbs Modal verbs Proper nouns – names of people, places, titles, languages, months and days Finding the antonyms of words using the prefixes “im-”, “in-”, “ir-”, “il-” Adjectives ending in “-ed” Verbs ending in “y”: change “y” to “i” and add “-es” Noun plurals ending in “y”: change “y” to “i” and add “-es” Comparative and superlative adjectives ending in “y”: happy – happier – happiest Prepositions Compound nouns using hyphens Specific determiners Possessive pronouns</p> <p>It must be noted that these spelling are in addition to the spellings advised by the 2014 National Curriculum.</p>	<p>Possessive apostrophe for singular and regular plurals Informal and formal language Expanded noun phrases Fronted adverbials Inverted commas Use of pronouns for cohesion and to avoid repetition How to use specific determiners Past perfect continuous tense Change verbs in a sentence to give greater effect Starting a sentence with an “-ing” verb Write a drop-in clause with an “-ing” verb Modal verbs Know the difference between a preposition and an adverb Compound sentences Start a sentence with a preposition and a comma Repetition to persuade Write a sentence with three actions and each clause separated with a comma or a coordinating conjunction How to use possessive pronouns</p>		