





Science Progression of Knowledge EYFS-Year 6





Unit	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Animals, including humans	Our Body Learn about different body parts and what they are used for Consider how our bodies change from when we are a baby Consider how we are all unique and different from one another The Senses Discover how our senses interact with one another Learn what our sense enable us to do Animals Discover different types of animals - mammals, birds, insects Observe different types of habitats around the world Food Learn about where food comes from Understand what makes a healthy diet Identify animals used in food production	Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals including pets) Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense	Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air) Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene	Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat Identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement	Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions Construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey	Describe the changes as humans develop to old age	Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function Describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans
Rocket Words	Our Body: arm, leg, nose, hand, foot, ear, eye, mouth, The Senses: sight, taste, tongue, touch, sounds, hear, noise, trumpet, eye Animals: Bird, cow, sheep, goat, chicken, pig, farm, bear, breath, eat, drink, home, protection Food: cheese, milk, beef, bacon, pork,	All about me: head, body, brain, pupil, ear, sound, tongue, taste All about animals: Fish, amphibian, reptile, mammal bird, warmblooded, cold-blooded, herbivore	Growth: nutrition, healthy, protein, carbohydrate, dairy, fat, exercise, hygiene Life Cycles: life cycle, foetus, womb, offspring, reproduction, transformation, metamorphosis, froglet	Cranium, mandible, rib cage, radius, pelvis, femur, fibula, scapula, vertebrae, coccyx, patella, tibia, biceps, abs, triceps, glutes, hamstrings protein, carbohydrate, mineral, vitamin	Digestive System: esophagus, stomach, spleen, small intestin, rectum, anus, appendix, colon, gall bladder, liver Teeth: incisor, canine, premolar, molar, herbivore, carnivore, omnivore	Offspring, foetus, dependent, adolescent, puberty, gestation, pregnant, toddler, prenatal, breeding, embryo, hormones	Circulatory system, BPM, diet, pulse, oxygenated, deoxygenated, atrium, ventricle, vessel, valve, diffusion, osmosis





	eggs, lamb, wheat, flour, bread, cereal						
Famous Scientists	riour, bread, cereac			Adelle Davis (20th Century Nutritionist) Marie Curie (Radiation/X-Rays)	Ivan Pavlov (Digestive System Mechanisms) Joseph Lister (Discovered Antiseptics)		Justus von Liebig (Theories of Nutrition and Metabolism) Sir Richard Doll (Linking Smoking and Health Problems) Leonardo Da Vinci (Anatomy)
Linked Texts - reading across the curriculum		RSPB: My First Book of Garden Birds (Mike Unwin and Sarah Whittley) Snail Trail (Ruth Brown) Superworm (Julia Donaldson & Axel Scheffler)	The Gruffalo (Julia Donaldson) Meerkat Mail (Emily Gravett) No Place Like Home (Jonathon Emmett)	Funnybones (Janet and Allan Ahlberg) I Will Never Not Ever Eat a Tomato (Lauren Child) Goldilocks and the Three Bears (Samantha Berger)	Human Body Odyssey (Werner Holzwarth) Crocodiles Don't Brush Their Teeth (Colin Fancy) Wolves (Emily Gravett)		Pig-Heart Boy (Malorie Blackman) Skellig (David Almond) A Heart Pumping Adventure (Heather Manley) Hair in Funny Places (Babette Cole) Giant (Kate Scott) You're Only Old Once! (Dr. Seuss)
Living things and their habitats	Discover the world of insects and invertebrates Learn about their habitats Go on an insect hunt		Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including microhabitats Describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple		Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things	Describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals	Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants and animals Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics





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			food chain, and identify and name				
			different sources				
			of food				
Rocket Words	Insects, snail, worm, spider, honey, beetle, ladybird, fly		Reproduce, excrete, respire, habitat, microhabitat, survive, producer, consumer, organism, rainforest, endangered, biodiversity, ocean, ecosystem, desert, Arctic		Classification, vertebrate, invertebrate, mammal, reptile, fish, bird, amphibian, insect, warm-blooded, cold- blooded Conservation: migrate, monsoon, deforestation, biodiversity, emissions, pollution, pesticide, contaminate, drought, freshwater, marine sanctuaries, conservation areas	Living organism, naturalist, primatologist, metamorphosis, endangered, asexual, reproduction, fertilisation, placental mammal, monotreme mammal	Classification, microorganism, habitat, living organism, species, microscopic, ecosystem, kingdom, Linnaean System, cell
Famous Scientists					Cindy Looy (Environmental Change and Extinction) Jaques Cousteau (Marine Biologist)	David Attenborough (Naturalist and Nature Documentary Broadcaster) James Brodie of Brodie (Reproduction of Plants) Thomas Young (Theory of Light) Ibn al-Haytham (Light and our Eyes)	Carl Linnaeus (Identifying, Naming and Classifying Organisms)
Linked Texts - reading across the curriculum			Handa's Surprise (Eileen Brown) Once There Were Giants (Martin Waddell and Penny Dale)		The Vanishing Rainforest (Richard Platt) The Morning I Met a Whale (Michael Morpurgo) Journey to the River Sea (Eva Ibbotson)	Charlotte's Web (E.B. White) The Land of Neverbelieve (Norman Messenger) Mummy Laid an Egg (Babette Cole) Letters from the Lighthouse (Emma Carroll) The Gruffalo's Child (Julia Donaldson) The King Who Banned the Dark (Emily HaworthBooth)	Beetle Boy (M G Leonard) Insect Soup (Barry Louis Polisar) Fur and Feathers (Janet Halfmann)
Plants	Explore plant Learn about how plants are made and where they come from	Identify and name a variety of common and wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees	Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs into mature plants Find out and describe how plants need water,	Identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers			





	Learn about how to look after plants Understand why plants are so important Learn some key vocabulary about different parts of plants	Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees	light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy	Explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant Investigate the way in which water is transported within plants Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal		
Rocket Words	Plant, seed, soil, water, stem, root, sunlight, garden	Seed, plant, stem, petal, deciduous, evergreen, fruit, vegetable	Temperature, sunlight, germinate, seed, bulb, seedling, flower, fruit,	Dispersal, photosynthesis, stigma, style, pistil, ovary, ovule, anther, filament, stamen, sepal, stem, flower, fruit		
Famous Scientists				Jan Ingenhousz (Photosynthesis) Joseph Banks (Botanist)		
Linked Texts - reading across the curriculum		A Little Guide to Wild Flowers (Charlotte Voake) The Things That I LOVE about TREES (Chris Butterworth) Harry's Hazelnut (Ruth Parsons)	Jack and the Beanstalk (Richard Walker) Ten Seeds (Ruth Brown) A Seed Is Sleepy (Dianna Aston)	The Story of Frog Belly Rat Bone (Timothy Basil Ering) The Hidden Forest (Jeannie Baker) George and Flora's Secret Garden (Jo Elworthy)		
Evolution and Inheritance						Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind,





						but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents • Identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution
Rocket Words						Inherit, adaptation, epiphytes, fossil, Mary Anning, palaeontologist, ichthyosaurus, Charles Darwin, evolved, natural selection, ancestor, Homo sapiens
Famous Scientists						Charles Darwin and Alfred Russel Wallace (Theory of Evolution by Natural Selection) Jane Goodall (Chimpanzees)
Linked Texts - reading across the curriculum						One Smart Fish (Christopher Wormell) The Molliebird (Jules Pottle) Our Family Tree (Lisa Westberg Peters) Moth (Isabel Thomas)
Materials	Discover, by using the senses, the materials around them every day Use vocabulary to describe different materials Learn how materials can change See where some materials come from Begin to understand natural and man-made	Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials Compare and group together a	Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching		• Compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets Know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover a	





		variety of			substance from a	
		everyday materials			solution Use	
		on the basis of			knowledge of	
		their simple			solids, liquids and	
		physical properties			gases to decide	
					how mixtures	
					might be	
					separated,	
					including through	
					filtering, sieving	
					and evaporating	
					 Give reasons, 	
					based on evidence	
					from comparative	
					and fair tests, for	
					the particular uses	
					of everyday	
					materials,	
					including metals,	
					wood and plastic	
					Demonstrate that	
					dissolving, mixing	
					and changes of	
					state are	
					reversible changes	
					 Explain that some 	
					changes result in	
					the formation of	
					new materials, and	
					that this kind of	
					change is not	
					usually reversible,	
					including changes	
					associated with	
					burning and the	
					action of acid on	
					bicarbonate of	
					soda	
Rocket Words	Melt, wool, mirror,	Material, fabric, wood,	Material, property,		Changes: Solute,	
Rocket Words	jumper, cold, freeze,	plastic, metal,	obstacle, construction,		solvent, reversible,	
	ice, smooth	property, opaque,	stretchy, elastic, force,		evaporate, chemical	
	ice, sillouit	transparent, strong,	bend		change, effervescence,	
		clay, brick, roof, slate,	bellu		fair test, corrosion,	
		window page window			combustion systemists	
		window pane, window			combustion, extinguish,	
		frame, cotton			reaction, carbon	
					dioxide	
					Properties: conductive,	
					magnetic, thermal,	
					conduction, hardness,	
					force, dissolve, solute,	
					solvent, substance,	
					filtering, evaporation	
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Famous Scientists					Spencer Silver, Arthur Fry and Alan Amron (Post-It Notes) Ruth Benerito (Wrinkle- Free Cotton)	
Linked Texts - reading across the curriculum		The Great Paper Caper (Oliver Jeffers) Who Sank the Boat (Pamela Allen) The Story of Cinderella (Walt Disney)	The Tin Forest (Helen Ward) Traction Man (Mini Grey) Three Little Pigs (Lesley Sims)		Itch (Simon Mayo) Kensuke's Kingdom (Michael Morpurgo) The BFG (Roald Dahl)	
Seasonal Changes	Learn about the different seasons in the UK and the weather that cones with them Measure and record different weather types Consider how we need to be careful in different seasons	Observe changes across the 4 seasons Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies				
Rocket Words	Rain, snow, winter, summer, spring, autumn, wind, sun	Season, spring, summer, autumn, winter, hibernate, temperature, weather				
Famous Scientists						
Linked Texts - reading across the curriculum		Tree: Seasons Come, Seasons Go (Patricia Hegarty and Britta Teckentrup) One Year with Kipper (Mick Inkpen) After the Storm (Nick Butterworth)				
Rocks				Compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock		





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		Recognise that		
		soils are made from rocks and		
		organic matter		
Dealest Wands		Chalk, flint, marble,		
Rocket Words		limestone, sandstone,		
		granite, igneous,		
		metamorphic,		
		sedimentary		
Famous		Mary Anning (Discovery		
		of Fossils)		
Scientists		Inge Lehmann (Earth's		
		Mantle)		
Linked Texts -		The Pebble in My		
		Pocket (Meredith		
reading across		Hooper)		
the curriculum		Stone Girl, Bone Girl		
		(Laurence Anholt)		
		The Street Beneath My Feet (Charlotte Guillain		
		& Yuval Zommer)		
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States of			group materials	
Matter			together,	
			according to	
			whether they are	
			solids, liquids or	
			gases	
			Observe that some	
			materials change	
			state when they	
			are heated or	
			cooled, and	
			measure or	
			research the	
			temperature at	
			which this happens	
			in degrees Celsius	
			(°C)	
			Identify the part	
			played by evaporation and	
			condensation in	
			the water cycle	
			and associate the	
			rate of	
			evaporation with	
			temperature	
Rocket Words			Thermometer, melting	
Rocket Words			point, freezing point,	
			boiling point, solid,	
			liquid, gas,	
			evaporation, particles,	
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			condensation, water		
			vapour, substance		
Famous			Anders Celcius (Celcius		
			Temperature Scale)		
Scientists			Daniel Fahrenheit		
			(Fahrenheit		
			Temperature		
			Scale/Invention of the		
			Thermometer)		
Linked Texts -			Charlie and the		
			Chocolate Factory		
reading across			(Roald Dahl)		
			Once Upon a Raindrop:		
the curriculum			The Story of Water		
			(James Carter) Sticks		
			(Diane Alber)		
Earth and	Understand what is			Describe the	
Space	in Space,			movement of the	
Space	Understand what			Earth and other	
	happens in Space			planets relative to	
	Find out about			the sun in the solar	
	space travel by			system	
	learning about			Describe the	
	rockets			movement of the	
				moon relative to	
				the Earth	
				Describe the sun,	
				Earth and moon as	
				approximately	
				spherical bodies	
				Use the idea of the	
				Earth's rotation to	
				explain day and	
				night and the	
				apparent	
				movement of the	
				sun across the sky	
Rocket Words	Planet, Jupiter, Venus,			Heliocentric,	
	Uranus, rocket, launch,			geocentric, solar	
	star, travel			system, astronomy,	
				terrestrial planet, gas	
				giants, axis, orbit,	
				moon, phase, waxing,	
				waning	
Famous				Claudius Ptolemy and	
Famous				Nicolaus Copernicus	
Scientists				(Heliocentric vs	
				Geocentric Universe)	
				Neil Armstrong (First	
				man on the Moon)	
				man on the Moon)	
				Helen Sharman (First	
				British astronaut)	





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			Tim Peake (First British ESA astronaut)	
			The Skies Above My	
Linked Texts -			Eyes (Charlotte Guillain	
reading across			& Yuval Zommer)	
			George's Secret Key to	
the curriculum			the Universe (Lucy and	
			Stephen Hawking with	
			Christophe Galfard)	
			The Way Back Home	
			(Oliver Jeffers)	
1.2 - 1-4		Recognise that	(Otiver Seriers)	Recognise that
Light		they need light in		light appears to
		order to see things		travel in straight
		and that dark is		lines
		the absence of		Use the idea that
		light		light travels in
		Notice that light is		straight lines to
		reflected from		explain that
		surfaces		objects are seen
		Recognise that		because they give
		light from the sun		out or reflect light
		can be dangerous		into the eye
		and that there are		Explain that we
		ways to protect		see things because
		their eyes		light travels from
		Recognise that		light sources to our
		shadows are		eyes or from light
		formed when the		sources to objects
		light from a light		and then to our
		source is blocked		eyes
		by an opaque		Use the idea that
		object		light travels in
		Find patterns in		straight lines to
		the way that the		explain why
		size of shadows		shadows have the
		change		same shape as the
		eage		objects that cast
				them
Rocket Words		Absorb, reflect,		Light, light source,
ROCKET WOLDS		bounce, opaque,		reflected, variable,
		shadow, umbra		angle, mirror, opaque,
				transparent, sunshade,
				rotate, optical,
				spectrum
Famous		James Clerk Maxwell		
		(Visible and Invisible		
Scientists		Waves of Light)		
Linked Texts -		The Owl Who Was		
		Afraid of the Dark (Jill		
reading across		Tomlinson)		
the curriculum		The Dark (Lemony		
		Snicket)		





		The Firework-Maker's Daughter (Philip	
		Pullman)	
Forces	Discover how we can apply force to an object Identify how the nature and materials of an object can dictate how it responds to forces Discover how we can apply force to an object of an object can dictate how it responds to forces.	Compare how things move on different surfaces Notice that some forces need contact between 2 objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance Observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and identify some magnetic materials Describe magnets as having 2 poles Predict whether 2 magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on	Explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces Recognise that some mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater effect
		which poles are	
Rocket Words	Push, pull, fast, slow, sink, float, press, suck	facing Magnetic, attraction repulsion, poles	Sir Isaac Newton, gravity, Galileo Galilei, parachute, water resistance, streamlined, buoyant, upthrust, friction, newton, lever, pulley
Famous Scientists		William Gilbert (Theories on Magnetism) Andre Marie Ampere (Founder of Electro Magnetism)	Galileo Galilei (Gravity and Acceleration) Isaac Newton (Gravitation) Archimedes of Syracuse(Levers)





Linked Texts - reading across the curriculum		The Iron Man (Ted Hughes) Mrs Armitage: Queen of the Road (Quentin Blake) Mr Archimedes' Bath (Pamela Allen)		The Enormous Turnip (Katie Daynes) Leonardo's Dream (Hans de Beer) The Aerodynamics of Biscuits (Clare Helen Welsh)	
Electricity			 Identify common appliances that run on electricity Construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers Identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery Recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit Recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductor 		 Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit Compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches Use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram
Rocket Words			Circuit, conductor, insulator, cell, battery, component, voltage, current, bulb, switch, control, wind turbines, hydropower		Circuit, battery, electricity, resistor, variable resistor, dimmer switch, output, systematically, synchronised, signal, conductor, insulator
Famous Scientists			Thomas Eddison (First Working Lightbulb) Joseph Swan		





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			(Incadesecant Light Bulb)	
			Until I Met Dudley	
Linked Texts -			(Roger McGough)	
reading across			(Roger McGough)	
			Oscar and the Bird: A	
the curriculum			Book about Electricity	
			(Geoff Waring)	
			Electrical Wizard: How	
			Nikola Tesla Lit Up the	
			World (Elizabeth Rusch)	
Sound	Explore loud and		Identify how	
Souria	quiet sounds		sounds are made,	
	Identify places		associating some	
	where it is noisy		of them with	
			something	
	and places where			
	it is quiet		vibrating	
			 Recognise that 	
			vibrations from	
			sounds travel	
			through a medium	
			to the ear	
			 Find patterns 	
			between the pitch	
			of a sound and	
			features of the	
			object that	
			produced it	
			 Find patterns 	
			between the	
			volume of a sound	
			and the strength of	
			the vibrations that	
			produced it	
			Recognise that	
			sounds get fainter	
			as the distance	
			from the sound	
			source increases	
Rocket Words	Sound, hear, noise,		Vibration, medium,	
	trumpet		source, energy,	
			materials, reflect,	
			volume, decibels,	
			pitch, instruments,	
			particles, sound source	
Famous			Aristotle (Sound Waves)	
Famous			Gailileo Galilei	
Scientists			(Frequency and Pitch of	
			Sound Waves)	
			Alexander Graham Bell	
			(Invented the	
			Telephone)	





Linked Texts - reading across the curriculum		Horrid Henry Rocks (Francesca Simon) Moonbird (Joyce Dunbar) The Pied Piper of Hamelin (Natalia	
		Vasquez)	