

Science Vocabulary

Area of Science	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Plants	Vocabulary Words relating to plants: branch, flower, root, stem, (stalk), seeds, bulb, seedlings, plants, leaf, leaves, weed, Common, garden, wild, tree, evergreen, deciduous, part, grow, growth, vegetable, tree, grass, plant (verb), blossom, (catkin), fruit, seed, trunk, bud, opening	Vocabulary Words relating to plants: mature, germination, growth, survive, healthy, shoot, seedling Words relating to growth: water, light, (suitable) temperature, warmth, grow, healthy, cold, dark, wither, dry, limp, dry, green, yellow.	Vocabulary Words relating to plant parts: Function, job, role, part, root, stem, trunk, (bark) leaves, flowers, branch, (stalk), seeds, bulb, seedlings, petal. Words relating to plant growth: water, light air, growth,			
	(buds). Children should also be encouraged to identify and learn the names of particular plants and trees in their local area, e.g. including but not exclusively, oak, ash, beech, rose, daisy, dandelion, tulip etc.		nutrients, soil, fertilizer, needs, (requirements), grow, growth, healthy, transported, conditions, damp, wet, dry, dark, light, hot, warm, cool, cold, (use comparatives e.g. hot, hotter, hottest) space/room (to grow). Words relating to plant life cycle: life cycle, stage, pattern, seeds, fruit, berry, pollinate, seed formation, pollination, seed dispersal,			

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including	Words relating to human	Words relating to	Words relating to nutrition	Words relating to digestion	Words relating to human	Words related to
Humans	senses :	humans/animals (life cycle):	:	:	development :	circulatory system:
rumuns	Sense, eye, sight, see, ear,	Offspring, baby, toddler,	nutrition, nutrients, food,	digestive system,	Change, develop,	function, internal organ,
	hearing, hear, scent, smell,	child, teenager, adult,	right type, right amount,	mouth, teeth, (milk teeth),	development, grow, age,	organ, circulatory system,
	nose, skin, touch, feel,	elderly person, young, old,	food type, food group,	(root), (jaw), canines, incisor,	stages, timeline, puberty,	(respiratory system), heart,
	texture, taste, tongue.	grow, growth.	carbohydrate, protein,	molar, pre-molar, tooth	gestation periods, mass,	(atrium, chamber), blood,
		Examples of animal life	vitamins, minerals, fat, diet,	decay,	length.	(red blood cells, white blood
	Words for parts of the	cycles including but not	dietary, dietary fibre,	saliva, (stomach acid) tongue,		cells, plasma, platelets,
	body of humans and other	exclusively:	sugars, fats, oils, water,	cut		injury, scab, repair),
	animals:	Egg, chick, chicken; egg,	balance, balanced diet,	rip, tear, chew, grind,		blood vessels, (capillaries,
	(external), head, neck,	caterpillar, pupa, butterfly;	healthy, less healthy, meals.	oesophagus, stomach, small		veins, arteries), pumps,
	elbow, knee, face, ears, eyes,	spawn, tadpole, frog; lamb,		intestine, large intestine,		oxygen, carbon dioxide,
	eyebrow, eyelash, hair,	sheep, kitten, and cat: puppy,	Words for parts of the	rectum		lungs, (breathe), (pulse, pulse
	mouth, lips, teeth, tongue,	dog; calf, cow; foal, horse.	body of humans and other	anus		rate, heartbeat, increase,
	skin, hand, fingers, hip,		animals:			resting)
	waist, chest, nostril, nose,	Words relating to	internal, skeleton,	Words related to food		
	cheek, chin, feet, toes,	humans/animals (basic	muscles, support,	chains:		words related to health
	shoulder, fingernails, leg,	needs):	protection, movement	carnivore (carnivorous) ,		and lifestyle:
	wing, arm, beak, paw, fur,	Exercise, health, healthy,	skull, ribs, pelvis, shoulder	herbivore (herbivorous) ,		nutrients, water, diet,
	feather, tail, scales, fin,	hygiene, clean, wash, water,	blade,	omnivore (omnivorous), food		(choice), exercise, drugs,
	claws, ankle, hind, fore,	food, air, right amounts (of	spine/vertebrae, joints,	chain, life cycle, producer,		medicines,
	whisker.	foods).	Sockets, rotate, bend,	consumer, predator, prey.		Lifestyle, impact, health,
		Fruits, vegetables, meat,	bones, tendons, vertebrate,			harm, harmful.
	Words related to animal	fish, eggs, beans, dairy, milk,	invertebrate, (external			
	classification:	fat, oil, sugar, balance.	skeleton).			
	Fish, amphibian, reptile, bird,	(nutrition and named food				
	mammal, human, animal, pet,	groups are introduced in Y3	Words related to animal			
	habitat, environment,	so avoid protein,	classification:			
	carnivore, herbivore,	carbohydrates etc. here)	Vertebrate, invertebrate.			
	omnivore,					
	Children should also be					
	encouraged to identify and					
	learn the names of particular					
	wild and domestic animals in					

each group e.g. including b not exclusively, cat, fox, rabbit, badger, elephant, whale, blackbird, parrot, eagle, chicken, cod, ray, clown fish, stickleback, fr newt, lizard, rattlesnake e	og,			
Materials <u>Vocabulary</u>	Vocabulary		Vocabulary	
Names of materials:Metal, plastic, wood, paperglass, clay, rock, fabric,sand, water, brick, paper,elastic, fabric (andindividually named fabric ofcotton, wool, leather,polyester, linin, denim) foitcardboard, tissue paper,Words used to describematerials:hard, soft, rough, smooth,shiny, dull, magnetic,transparent, bendy, not-bendy, waterproof, not-waterproof, absorbent, not-absorbent, strong, stretclstiff, opaque, transparent	Reflective, non-reflective, transparent, opaque, rigid, flexible, strong, weak. .g. Words relating to materials uses: Suitable, unsuitable, property, properties, best, purpose, job. Words relating to material changes: Object, change, squash, squashing, bend, bending, twist, twisting, stretch, stretching.		Words related to properties of materials: hard (scientific definition), soft, stretchy, rigid, flexible, waterproof, absorbent, strong/weak, rough, smooth, reflective, non reflective, transparent, opaque, Translucent, soluble, insoluble, magnetic, non- magnetic, conductor, insulator (electrical). Words related to changing materials: solubility, melting, states of matter, solid, liquid, gas, change state, dissolve, solution, (soluble), insoluble, (solute, solvent, particle), mix/mixture, filtering, sieving, evaporating, (residue)	

Seasonal Vacabulary Changes Words relating to seasons: spring, summer, autumn, ((rreversible) burning, rusting, (gas given off) (day length), holidays, festivation festivation (by season), sumise, sumset Words relating to meather: chart, forecast, symbol (warther symbol), cold, warm, hot, freezing, (temperature), sonw, ice, rain, storm, thunder, wind, windigs, sunset sunglasses, sun cream, hat, webrela, rains, sond, ice, rain, storm, thunder, sind, winging holidost, coat, scarf, hat, sandals.	
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things and Words relating to living Words relating to Plant life	Words relating to
things: classification: cycles: living, alive, dead, never variety environment life sycle venisty	classification:
Habitats alive healthy	classification system,
reptiles mammals birds	organism, micro-organism, (fungi, mushrooms), kingdoms
Words relating to habitats:	(related to plants and
Live, habitat, micro-habitat	animals), (finer Linnaean
(and examples e.g. under a	groupings e.g. of
leaf, under a stone or log) spiders, insects), towering pollination, home, environment, suited, plants, grass, non-flowering seed formation, seed	invertebrates : arachnid,

	needs, (basic needs) satisfy, provide (provide for), provides, depend (on each other), variety, food, food chain, consumer, predator, prey, source (of food) water, air, shelter, safety, conditions (of habitats and micro-habitats e.g. wet, dry, dark). Names of habitats e.g. woodland, seashore, desert, rainforest etc.		plants, mosses, ferns. Words relating to the environment: environment, habitat, local, danger, human impact, positive, negative, effects, ecology, pollution, litter, population	dispersal, pollen, stamen, stigma, Plantlets (e.g. spider plant), runners (e.g. strawberry plant), cutting, root cutting, tuber. Words relating to animal <i>life cycles:</i> life cycle, variety, environment, reproduction, sexual, mammal, amphibian, insect, bird, fish, reptile, eggs, live young Children have an opportunity to be introduced to species specific vocabulary related to life cycles e.g. words naming stages of a frog, butterfly, worm, ladybird or chicken life cycle.	mollusc, insect, crustacean) Broad grouping, sub- divisions, Carl Linnaeus.
Rocks		<u>Vocabulary</u> Words related to names and properties of rocks: rock, stone, pebble, boulder, soil, grains, crystals, natural material, everywhere, smooth, rough, solid, crumbly, hard, soft, texture, absorb water, let water through,			

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	(permeable/impermeable)	
	scratch, mark, streak, worn	
	(away) colour.	
	Names of particular rocks	
	including but not exclusively	
	:	
	Marble, chalk, granite,	
	sandstone, slate, pumice,	
	limestone, sedimentary	
	(although rock cycle is not	
	required) fossils.	
	Nerds related to soils:	
	soil, earth, broken-down,	
	dead plants, rocks, rock	
	type, soil type, local,	
	weather, worn away, particle	
	(size and colour) sandy soil,	
	clay soil, chalky soil, peat,	
	loam, drainage, (permeable,	
	impermeable) air spaces.	
	Words related to fossils:	
	Ancient, living, dead, plants,	
	animals, trapped,	
	sedimentary rock, type of	
	rock, changed, Mary Anning,	
	(palaeontologist).	
Light	Vocabulary	Vocabulary
Light		
	Words relating to light:	Words relating to light:
	light, light source,	light, light source, objects,
	names of light sources e.g.	eye, see,
	torch, Sun, bonfire.,	names of light sources (e.g.
	absence,	torch), (names of
	dark/darkness, reflect,	misconceived light sources
	reflective,	

		mirror, shadow, what light does (behaves) block, direct/ direction, distance, transparent, Opaque, translucent. Words related to safety: Sun, danger, look, directly, protect, safety, safe, sunglasses, sun cream, sun hat, shade.			e.g. moon, mirror), dark/darkness, reflect, reflective, mirror, shadow, shape, cast, travel, straight line, block, absorb, direct/ direction, transparent, opaque, translucent, periscope, shadow puppet, (rainbows, colours, refraction in water - no explanations are needed)
Forces		Vocabulary Words relating to forces: Push, pull, pulling, pushing, move, contact, touching, contact force, distance/non- contact force, act at a distance. Words relating to magnets: shape, bar, horseshoe, ring, button, strength, weak, strong, attract, repel, pole, magnetic, magnetic materials, non-magnetic material, north, south, metal, iron, steel.		Vocabulary Words relating to forces: gravity, fall, air resistance, Earth, water resistance, friction, moving surfaces, (slowing down), parachutes, move, speed up, slow down, stop, (streamlined, streamlining) shape, weight (N), mass. Words relating to simple machines: mechanisms, levers, pulleys, gears, force, springs, Transfers.	
States of Matter			Vocabulary Words related to states of matter: solid, liquid, gas (and named examples of each e.g. iron, water, oxygen, air)		

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				Powder, grains, granular,		
				crystals, change.		
				Words related to changing		
				states:		
				heat, temperature, Celsius,		
				°C, change state, ice, water,		
				water vapour, heated,		
				heating, cold, cooling, cooled,		
				melt, freeze,		
				(solidify),melting point,		
				(molten), boil, boiling point.		
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				Monda unlated to show a in		
				Words related to change in		
				the water cycle:		
				Evaporate, evaporation,		
				condense, condensation,		
				precipitation, water cycle		
Sound				Vocabulary		
Sound				<u>·····</u>		
				Words relating to sound:		
				vibrate, vibration, sound,		
				source of sound, noise,		
				travel, (solids, liquids, gases		
				- medium), pitch, tune, high,		
				low, volume, loud, quiet,		
				fainter, muffle, strength,		
				insulate, insulation, string,		
				length, thickness, tension,		
				column of air, tuned		
				percussion, percussion		
				instruments (named),		
1				stringed instruments		
				(nomed) house and meaduring	1	
				(names) brass and woodwind		
				instruments (named)		

Electricity		Vocabulary		Vocabulary
Electricity		Vocabulary Words relating to electricity: electricity, electrical, mains, battery, appliance, device, plug, socket, electrical circuit (the use of the term series is not necessary yet), flow, complete circuit, circuit diagram, (circuit symbol – not required here as this is taught in Y6), open, closed, break the circuit, metals, conductor, insulator, materials, gap, switch, (positive/ Negative terminal) (connect, connection), loose connection.		Vocabulary Words relating to electricity: electricity, appliances/device, electrical circuit, complete circuit, circuit diagram, circuit symbol, components, cell, battery, positive/negative, terminal, connect/connection, loose connection, loose connection, (short circuit), wire, crocodile clip, bulb, lamp, bright/dim, switch buzzer, volume, (motor), fast(er)/slow(er), conductor, insulator,
				metal/non-metal, voltage, (current,
Earth & Space			Vocabulary Words relating to Earth and space: Earth, planets, Sun, star, solar system, Moon, celestial body, sphere/spherical, rotate/rotation, spin, axis, apparent, move, movement, apparent, (stationary), night and day, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn,	resistance)

			Uranus, Neptune, (Pluto), ('dwarf' planet), orbit, (path), revolve, (year) geocentric model, heliocentric model, shadow clocks, sundials, astronomical clocks (e.g. Stonehenge), (East), (West), shadows, sunrise, mid-day, sunset, (horizon)	
Evolution & Inheritance				Vocabulary Words relating to evolution and inheritance: evolution, changes, time, (millennia), suited/suitable, environment, suited, best suited, adapted/adaptation, parents, offspring, not- identical, similar, characteristics, vary/variation, inherit/inheritance, (selective breeding), Fossils, fossil record, Charles Darwin, Alfred Russell Wallace.