Focuses of Reading and Writing Skills for P.1 to P.6			
Primary 1 – Integrated in the General English Programme			
Text types	Reading Skills	Writing Skills	
Narrative Texts	Understand the basic convention of written English	Use the basic conventions of written English	
• Speech bubbles (W)	- follow left to right directionality	- use the left to right directionality sequence	
• Poems (W)	- identify and name all the letters or the English alphabet	- space letters, words and sentences	
• Stories (W)	- recognize the beginning and end of sentences	- use capital and small letters	
	- distinguish between capital and small letters	- use basic sentence punctuation	
<u>Informative Texts</u>	- sight read common, phonically irregular words, e.g. are, a,	- use neat and legible handwriting	
• Lists (W)	you	Present information, ideas and feelings	
Alphabet books (W)	- recognize familiar words in new texts	clearly and coherently	
• Personal descriptions (W)	- use basic conventions of written English and prior	- put words in a logical order to make	
	knowledge of know words to read aloud short, simple texts	meaningful phrases or sentences	
Exchanges	Construct meaning from texts	- reproduce sentences based on teacher's	
• Friendly notes (W)	- recognize common abbreviations and contracted forms, e.g.	model and use words from print in the	
	Mr., Mrs., 10:00a.m., 3:00p.m., She's clever.	environment	
Procedural Texts	- guess the meaning of unfamiliar words by using contextual	- provide personal ideas and information	
	or pictorial clues	based on a model or framework provided	
	- identify key words for the main idea in a sentence	- gather and share information, ideas and	
Explanatory Texts	- confirm meaning by re-reading a sentence or paragraph	language by using strategies, e.g.	
• Captions (W)	- understand the connection between ideas by identifying	brainstorming, building concept maps,	
	cohesive devices, including connectives and pronouns	listing and observing	
Persuasive Texts	- understand the information provided on the book cover,	- use available resources such as word banks	
	contents page and page numbers	- draft, revise and edit written texts with	
	- make predictions about stories, characters, topics of interest	teacher and/or peer support (process	
	using pictorial clues and book cover	writing)	

Primary 2 – Integrated in the General English Programme		
Text types	Reading Skills	Writing Skills
Narrative Texts	Understand the basic convention of written English	Use the basic conventions of written English
• Comics (W)	- sight read common, phonically irregular words, e.g. are, a,	- use basic sentence punctuation
• Stories-4 pictures (W)	- recognize known clusters of letters in unknown words, e.g.	- use neat and legible handwriting
Poems	in, chin, thin	Present information, ideas and feelings
	- recognize familiar words in new texts	clearly and coherently
<u>Informative Texts</u>	- use basic conventions of written English and prior	- put words in a logical order to make
• Descriptions (W)	knowledge of know words to read aloud short, simple texts	meaningful phrases or sentences
Book Reports (W)	- use knowledge of basic letter-sound relationships to read	- provide personal ideas and information
• Signs (W)	aloud simple words and short simple texts	based on a model or framework provided
	- use phonological strategies to decode words, e.g. identifying	- use appropriate cohesive devices, e.g. and,
Exchanges	the onsets and rimes in words, breaking words up into	but, too
• Personal letters (W)	syllables	- use concepts of order and time, e.g. last
• Cards (W)	Construct meaning from texts	night, this morning
	- work out the meaning of unknown words by recognizing the	- use appropriate formats and conventions of
Procedural Texts	base word with other words, e.g. mother/grandmother	short written texts
• Instructions (W)	- guess the meaning of unfamiliar words by using contextual	- gather and share information, ideas and
	or pictorial clues	language by using strategies, e.g.
Explanatory Texts	- identify key words for the main idea in a sentence	brainstorming, building concept maps,
• Captions (W)	- confirm meaning by re-reading a sentence or paragraph	listing and observing
	- understand the connection between ideas by identifying	- express imaginative ideas with the help of
Persuasive Texts	cohesive devices, including connectives and pronouns	cues
	- make predictions about stories, characters, topics of interest	- use available resources such as word banks
	using pictorial clues and book cover	- draft, revise and edit written texts with
		teacher and/or peer support (process
		writing)

Primary 3 - One double lesson in split class mode per week*		
Text types	Reading Skills	Writing Skills
Narrative Texts	Construct meaning from texts	Present information, ideas and feelings
• Comics (W)	- guess the meaning of unfamiliar words by using contextual	clearly and coherently
• Diaries (W)	or pictorial clues	- provide personal ideas and information
• Stories-4 picutres (W)	- identify key words for the main idea in a sentence	based on a model or framework provided
• Poems (W)	- confirm meaning by re-reading a sentence or paragraph	- use appropriate cohesive devices, e.g. and,
	- understand the connection between ideas by identifying	but, too
<u>Informative Texts</u>	cohesive devices, including connectives and pronouns	- use concepts of order and time, e.g. last
• Personal descriptions (W)	- guess the topic and the likely development of the topic by	night, this morning
	using personal experiences and knowledge of the world	- use appropriate formats and conventions of
<u>Exchanges</u>	- make predictions about stories, characters, topics of interest	short written texts
• Personal letters (W)	using pictorial clues and book cover	- gather and share information, ideas and
	- skim a text to obtain a general impression and the gist or	language by using strategies, e.g.
Procedural Texts	main ideas with teacher support	brainstorming, building concept maps,
• Instructions (W)	Locate information and ideas	listing and observing
	- locate specific information in a short text in response to	- express imaginative ideas with the help of
Explanatory Texts	questions	cues
• Captions (W)	- scan a text to locate specific information by using strategies	- use available resources such as word bank
	such as looking at repeated words, words in bold, italics or	- draft, revise and edit written texts with
Persuasive Texts	capital letters	teacher and/or peer support (process
		writing)

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Primary 4 – One double lesson in co-teaching mode per week*		
Text types	Reading Skills – One double lesson	Writing Skills
Narrative Texts	Construct meaning from texts	Present information, ideas and feelings
Personal recounts (W)	- work out the meaning of an unknown word or expression by	clearly and coherently
• Poems (W)	using visual clues, context and knowledge of the world	- use appropriate cohesive devices, e.g. also,
Play scripts (W)	- understand the information provided on the book cover (the	at last, either
• Stories-4 pictures (W)	spine and blurb), index and glossary	- use concepts of order and time, e.g. last
	- recognize the format and language features of a variety of	night, this morning
<u>Informative Texts</u>	text types, e.g. poems, play scripts, menus	- write paragraphs which develop main ideas
• Personal descriptions (W)	- identify key words for the main idea in a sentence	- use a small range of language patterns such
	- understand the connection between ideas by identifying	as different verb forms and structural
<u>Exchanges</u>	cohesive devices	patterns
• Personal letters (W)	- confirm meaning by re-reading a sentence or paragraph	- use appropriate formats and conventions of
	- understand the connection between ideas by identifying	short written texts
Procedural Texts	cohesive devices	- gather and share information, ideas and
	- make predictions about stories, characters, topics of interest	language by using strategies, e.g.
	using pictorial clues and book cover	brainstorming, building concept maps,
Explanatory Texts	Locate information and ideas	listing and observing
• Advertisements (W)	- locate specific information in a short text in response to	- express imaginative ideas with the help of
	questions	cues
Persuasive Texts	- scan a text to locate specific information by using strategies	- draft, revise and edit written texts with
	such as looking at repeated words, words in bold or capital	teacher and/or peer support (process
	letters	writing)

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Key: (w)=target writing text-types

Primary 5 – One double lesson in co-teaching mode per week*		
Text types	Reading Skills	Writing Skills
Narrative Texts	Construct meaning from texts	Present information, ideas and feelings
Biographies	- work out the meaning of an unknown word or expression by	clearly and coherently
• Journals (W)	using visual clues, context and knowledge of the world	- use appropriate cohesive devices, e.g. if,
• Poems (W)	- understand the information provided on the book cover (the	when, so
• Stories-4 pictures (W)	spine and blurb), index and glossary	- write paragraphs which develop main ideas
	- recognize the format and language features of a variety of	- present main and supporting ideas, and
Informative Texts	text types, e.g. journals, letters, play scripts	where appropriate with elaboration
• Expositions (W)	- understand the connection between ideas by identifying	- use a small range of language patterns such
News articles	cohesive devices	as different verb forms and structural
	- predict the likely development of a topic by recognizing key	patterns
Exchanges	words, using personal experiences, and making use of	- use appropriate formats and conventions
• Personal letters (W)	context and knowledge of the world	and language features
	- re-read the text to establish and confirm meaning	- gather and share information, ideas and
Procedural Texts	- self-correct by using strategies such as checking	language by using strategies, e.g.
• Procedures (W)	understanding against predictions, re-reading, using context,	brainstorming, building concept maps,
Recipes	reading further to clarify, asking for help	listing and observing
	- recognize the presentation of ideas through headings,	- draft, revise and edit written texts with
Explanatory Texts	paragraphing, spacing, italics, bold print and punctuation	teacher and/or peer support (process
	Locate information and ideas	writing)
Persuasive Texts	- scan a text to locate specific information by using strategies	
• Advertisements (W)	such as looking at repeated phrases	
• Posters (W)	- identify details that support the gist or main ideas	

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Primary 6 - One double lesson in split class mode per week*		
Text types	Reading Skills	Writing Skills
Narrative Texts	Construct meaning from texts	Present information, ideas and feelings
Biographies (W)	- work out the meaning of an unknown word or expression by	clearly and coherently
• Poems (W)	using visual clues, context and knowledge of the world	- use appropriate cohesive devices, e.g.
• Stories (W)	- recognize the format and language features of a variety of	although, so that, finally
• Stories-4 pictures (W)	text types, e.g. biographies, letters	- write paragraphs which develop main ideas
	- understand the connection between ideas by identifying	- present main and supporting ideas, and
<u>Informative Texts</u>	cohesive devices	where appropriate with elaboration
Expositions (W)	- predict the likely development of a topic by recognizing key	- use a small range of language patterns e.g.
News reports	words, using personal experiences, and making use of	different verb forms and structural patterns
Book reports (W)	context and knowledge of the world	- use appropriate formats and conventions
	- self-correct by using strategies such as checking	and language features
<u>Exchanges</u>	understanding against predictions, re-reading, using context,	- gather and share information, ideas and
Formal letters	reading further to clarify, asking for help	language by using strategies, e.g.
	- recognize the presentation of ideas through headings,	brainstorming, building concept maps,
Procedural Texts	paragraphing, spacing, italics, bold print and punctuation	listing and observing
 Explanations of how and 	- understand intention, attitudes and feelings conveyed in a	- use story structure that comprises setting,
why (W)	text by recognizing features such as the choice and use of	characters, problems, events and solutions
	language	- draft, revise and edit written texts with
Explanatory Texts	Locate information and ideas	teacher and/or peer support (process
	- scan a text to locate specific information by using strategies	writing)
Persuasive Texts	such as looking at repeated phrases	- present writing using appropriate layout and
	- identify details that support the gist or main ideas	visual support e.g. illustration, tables

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