

Parent Guide



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What is this resource and how do I use it?

If your child has recently moved up to year 4 and you are hoping to support them at home with their English work, it can be difficult to keep up with the jargon that schools use. This resource aims to help you understand some of the common terms you may find in your child's English homework, so that you can continue to support them.

What is the focus of this resource?

Vocabulary

Empowering Parents

Technical Language

Further Activity Ideas and Suggestions

There is a range of helpful resources on the **Parents Hub** that can aid you in supporting your child's learning at home. Find out what your child will be expected to learn in year 4 English with this handy **parent guide** and help them get on top of their spellings with this **word a day activity**.

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English Jargon Buster

Year 4

This list includes many of the common terms you and your child may come across in English in year 4. Where possible, we have included helpful links to our [Parenting Wiki](#) page for each of the terms, should you wish to learn more. If you can't find the term you are looking for in this list, it may have been taught in another year group. Have a look at our [Jargon Buster](#) category to find similar lists for other key stage 2 year groups.

English Term	Definition	Further Information
adverbial phrase	a group of words that tells you how, when, why, where and how long something is happening.	What is a adverbial phrase?
definite article	the : a word that is used before a noun to make it specific, for example the prince.	What is a definite article?
determiner	a word such as the , my or a , which adds more information to a noun, for example my sandwich.	What is a determiner?
expanded noun phrase	a group of words used like a noun, but with more information. For example, instead of writing the dog , you could write the small, fluffy dog .	
explanation	explaining meanings, themes and patterns in a text and why they are used.	
fronted adverbial	an adverbial phrase that goes at the beginning of a sentence.	What is a fronted adverbial?

English Term	Definition	Further Information	
indefinite article	<u>a/an</u> : a word that is used before a noun to make it unspecific, for example <u>a</u> supermarket.	What are a indefinite article?	
inference	working something out using reasoning and evidence rather than guessing.	What is inference?	
prediction	using evidence from the text to say what might happen next.	What is prediction?	
pronoun	a word that replaces the noun in a sentence to avoid repetition, such as <u>he</u> , <u>she</u> , <u>they</u> or <u>it</u> .	What is a pronoun?	
retrieval	the process of finding information in a text to answer a question.	What is retrieval?	
summarise	taking the key information or points from a text.		
vocabulary	a set of words that a person knows.	What is vocabulary?	

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