

Progression in Vocabulary – Design Technology

	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Design	choose; colour; ideas	Design; designing; drawing; labels; model; purpose; template; user	Annotated drawings; appealing; communicate; computing software; creative; design criteria; develop; function; intended user; mock-up; practical; products; purposeful	Annotated sketches; computer-aided design; develop; fit for purpose; functional; pattern pieces; research.	Aesthetics; cross-sectional diagrams; exploded diagrams; generate; innovate; prototype; specific user	Industry; leisure; resources; target market	Availability; costings; conservation; culture; enterprise
Make	cut; make; try	Appearance; combine; construction materials; cut; decoration; equipment; fabric; finish; join; making; mark out; plan; shaping; tools	Accuracy; assemble; characteristics; components; finishing techniques; hand tools; manipulate; running stitch; score; textiles	Fabric paint; functional properties; kits; mechanical components; select; sewing technique; stages; tie-dye	Aesthetic qualities; digital graphic; electrical components; finishing technique; hemming; systematic order	Backstitch; blanket stitch; precision; sanding; step-by-step plan	Seam allowance; whip stitch
Evaluate	difficult; easy; like; don't like; thoughts; use	Change; compare; materials; repeat	Design criteria; discuss; evaluate; improve; positive; product; refine; stages; strengths; successes	Alter; existing products; key events; key individuals; investigate; views	Analyse; technological developments	Competitor analysis; fitness for purpose; manufacture; quality	Competitor analysis; market
Technical Knowledge	cutlery; safe	Axles; build; explore; materials; strong; wheels	Characteristics; components; create; levers; mechanisms; sliders; stable; structure	Cams; gears; input process; linkages; mechanical systems; output process; program; pulleys; strengthen	Bulb; buzzer; complex structure; control; monitor; motor; parallel circuits; series circuits; switch; reinforce	monitor	incorporate
Cooking and Nutrition	cut; food; fruit; mix; smell; stir; taste; vegetables	Animals; caught; chop; farmed; food safety; grate; grown; healthy; ingredients; plants; slice; sort; weigh	Design; Eatwell Guide; food groups; hazard; hygiene; juicer; originate; peel; portions; prepare; safe knives; varied diet;	Bake; balance; crush; energy; gram; heat source; hob; hygiene procedures; kneed; mash; oven; reared; preparation; processed; recipe; savoury; sweet; temperature;	Active; balanced diet; utensils; hygienically; menu; nutrition; seasonality; variety	Boiling; cattle; frying; griddling; grilling; processed; protein	Aroma; poultry; ratios; refine; scale down/up; substances; substitute