



9 TOP TIPS FOR: TEACHING GRAMMAR IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS

- 1. START WITH SPOKEN LANGUAGE – WE WANT TO BE UNDERSTOOD!**
- 2. CENTRE GRAMMAR AROUND A TEXT – LET CHILDREN DISCOVER ASPECTS WITHIN THEIR READING.**
- 3. ENCOURAGE INVESTIGATION AND THOUGHT – ‘WHY DID THE AUTHOR WRITE LIKE THAT?’**
- 4. TEACH EXPLICITLY WHEN YOU NEED TO.**
- 5. KNOW THE CURRICULUM – WHAT IS RELEVANT FOR YOUR YEAR GROUP AND WHAT FOUNDATIONS IS IT BUILT ON?**
- 6. ALLOW PUPILS TIME TO EXPERIMENT AND TRY OUT NEW KNOWLEDGE IN THEIR WRITING.**
- 7. CHALLENGE STUDENTS TO THINK LIKE A READER AS WELL AS A WRITER.**
- 8. REMIND CHILDREN THAT WRITING IS FULL OF CHOICES, E.G. A CAREFULLY CHOSEN NOUN COULD BE MORE IMPACTIVE THAN A NOUN WITH TWO MODIFIERS.**
- 9. USE CORRECT TERMINOLOGY CONSISTENTLY ACROSS THE CURRICULUM TO EMBED MEANING.**