Year 7 Assessment Criteria			
Outcomes	Reading	Writing	SPAG
Emerging	 range of key words read on sight with some fluency and expression and can read unfamiliar words using appropriate strategies some specific, straightforward information recalled generally clear idea of where to look for information and simple points made using evidence from the text some awareness of use of features of organisation, e.g. beginning and ending of a 	 past and present tense used mostly accurately openings and/ or endings sometimes clear ideas in sections grouped by content, some simple linking of ideas some appropriate ideas and content included can write for a basic purpose some attempts to adopt appropriate style 	some variation in the way sentences are started mainly simple sentences capital letters and full stops usually used accurately some accurate use of question and
	 story some language choices identified and basic comments made about them simple statements about likes and dislikes in reading, sometimes with reasons some awareness that books are set in different times and places 	simple vocabulary used to express relevant meanings some adventurous word choices attempted to create interest	exclamation marks, and commas some correct spelling of common words with some errors, simple vocabulary
Developing	 able to read with fluency, understanding and expression simple, most obvious points identified some comments include quotations from or references to text some straightforward explanations of ideas in the text a few basic features of structure identified a few basic features of language identified explanations identify main purpose and express personal response some simple connections between texts are identified some features of the context of texts are recognised 	some attempt to organise ideas with related points placed next to each other clear openings and endings some links between sentences within paragraphs or sections mostly relevant ideas and content some attempt to develop basic information or events some awareness of purpose when writing some attempts to interest the reader simple, generally appropriate vocabulary used with some words selected for effect	simply structured sentences, some variation with support; basic and some more complex connectives used straightforward sentences used accurately with full stops, capital letters, question and exclamation marks; some use of speech marks some correct spelling of common words
Secure	 main purpose of the text is identified simple points made show some awareness of writer's viewpoint some relevant points identified and supported by some generally appropriate quotations from different parts of the text explanations make some inferences about the quotations chosen some basic structural choices identified with simple comment some basic features of language identified with simple comments on writer's choices simple explanation of the overall effect of the text on the reader simple comment on the effect that the context has on the meaning of texts 	 ideas are organised simply and logically (e.g. by time) with an appropriate opening and ending paragraphs or sections help to organise content some attempts to establish simple links between paragraphs or sections not always maintained some connections made between sentences using basic connectives; relevant ideas chosen and developed in some detail main purpose of writing is clear but not always maintained usually appropriate style though not always aware of the reader some evidence of deliberate vocabulary choices linked to the topic 	some variety in length and sentence structure simple punctuation used is generally accurate mostly correct spelling of common and regular words. Some likely errors of more complicated and irregular spellings
Advanced	 main purpose clearly identified the writer's viewpoint in texts clearly identified, with some limited explanation most relevant points clearly identified, including those selected from different places in the text points made are generally supported by relevant quotations developed explanations make some inferences about the quotations chosen more developed comments on structural choices various features of language identified with some explanation of the effect on the reader some explanation of the overall effect on the reader comments on the effect that the context has on the meaning of texts 	writing is structured clearly, with sentences organised into appropriate paragraphs paragraphs are developed and links are made between paragraphs to help achieve the purpose of the text wider range of connectives used relevant ideas developed with some imaginative detail main purpose of writing is clear throughout the text writing maintains the reader's interest throughout vocabulary chosen for effect and reasonably wide vocabulary used, though not always appropriately	a variety of sentence lengths and sentence structure used for effect punctuation used is generally accurate; more complicated punctuation is attempted but not always accurate correct spelling of most common words with some likely errors in more challenging words, wide vocabulary
Excelling	 relevant points clearly identified and the ability to summarise the main ideas comparison of similarities and differences within or between texts appropriate quotations selected carefully to support main ideas or argument explanations identify different layers of meaning, with some attempt at detailed exploration some detailed exploration of structural choices some detailed explanation, with appropriate terminology, of how language is used to create a particular effect comments consider wider significance of the text 	 material is clearly controlled and sequenced, taking account of the reader's likely reaction a range of features clearly signal overall direction of the text for the reader construction of paragraphs clearly supports meaning and purpose within paragraphs, cohesive devices contribute to emphasis and effect convincing, individual voice established and mostly sustained throughout level or formality used for purpose and audience generally appropriate and a range of devices used to achieve effect range of vocabulary is varied and often ambitious and appropriate to purpose and audience 	controlled use of a variety of sentence types and lengths for effect full range of punctuation used consistently and accurately in a variety of sentence structures, with occasional errors in ambitious structures generally correct spelling of sophisticated vocabulary with some occasional errors in complex words.