

Contents

Introduction	v	Ways colours can be used to give information	27
English in <i>The New Zealand Curriculum: Level One</i>	vii	Pictures or photographs? Made-up story or true information?	28
Acknowledgements.....	ix	Detail in pictures that add information to a story	29
Section One Listening, Reading, and Viewing		Speech features in picture books	30
Listening		Signs	31
Why listen?	1	Viewing signs	32
Instructions	2	Captions.....	33
Listening to recorded voices	5	Section Two Speaking, Writing, and Presenting	
Reading		Speaking	
Starting reading – parent information	6	Speaking clearly.....	35
What does a good learner do when they are beginning formal reading instruction?	7	Using social expressions	36
Reading.....	8	Introducing ourselves	37
Different types of book.....	9	Asking for something	38
Using school to home reading books	10	Reading or reciting poetry	39
More helpful hints	11	Character voices	40
School to home reading books	12	Ordering ideas	41
The helper during reading time.....	13	Storytelling.....	42
The helper using prompts.....	14	Writing	
Correcting mistakes.....	15	Starting writing – parent information	44
After reading time.....	16	Writing expectations at Year 1	44
Answering questions to show comprehension of the text	17	Developing writing skills.....	45
Using alphabet knowledge	18	Making writing fun.....	46
Checking to make sure reading makes sense... ..	19	Recounts	47
Developing sight word knowledge	20	Reports.....	49
Sight words	21	Report writing.....	50
Understanding punctuation	22	Describing a character	51
Reading self-evaluation.....	23	Writing a list.....	52
Viewing		Writing letters.....	53
What is visual language?	24	Writing in a greeting card	54
Visual features in picture books.....	25	Using a word bank.....	55
Different lettering types in picture books	26		

Story starters	56	Section Four Language games	
Writing vocabulary – spelling	57	“ I spy ” alphabet game	85
How to learn to spell a word	58	“ Call out sounds ” game – practising the letters b, f, p	86
Writing – self-evaluation	59	“ Call out sounds ” game – practising the letters d, c, s	87
Presenting		Think of a word that begins with ...?	88
Verbal presentations	60	“ Alphabet garden ” game	89
Visual presentation – handwriting	61	Volcano vowels	90
Handwriting – correct letter formation	62	“ Sight word race ” game	91
Suggested resource	63	“ Message jar ” game	92
Visual presentation – layout	64	“ Talk about ... ” game	93
Visual presentation – using a computer	65	Answers	95
Using photographs	66	Index	107
Section Three Reading and Writing support activities			
Writing capital letters	67		
Upper-case and lower-case letters	68		
Using alphabet knowledge	69		
Sentences	70		
Checking sentences make sense	71		
Word order in sentences	72		
Sentence order	73		
Capital letters in sentences	74		
Nouns	75		
Using adjectives	76		
Punctuation	77		
Joining sentences	78		
Using vocabulary knowledge	79		
Recognising sight words	80		
Letter order	81		
Word building	82		
Rhyming words	83		