

Glossary of key words for Terms 5 and 6

YEAR 3



Word	Meaning
Maths	
Partitioning	See also recombining. Partitioning is dividing a number into the individual values of its digits, and helps children to understand the values of these digits. For example: 782 can be partitioned into 700 + 80 + 2
Place value	The value of all the digits in a number. For example, in the number 627, the digit '2' is worth 20, the digit '6' is worth 600.
Recombining	See also partitioning. Recombining is putting the individual digit place values of a number back together to make the original number. For example, 200 + 50 + 6 is recombined to make 256.
Mass	The amount something weighs, measured in kilograms and grams.
Kilograms	A unit of mass used to measure the weight of heavier objects. For example: The weight 70kg.
Grams	A unit of mass used to weigh smaller objects. There are 1000 grams in a one kilogram. For example: The sugar weighed 100g.
Estimate	To make a sensible guess using known facts. For example: I think the bag of flour weighs more than 1kg because it feels heavier than the 1kg weight. I think it weighs less than 2kg. I estimate the bag of flour weighs 1.5 kg.
Capacity	The amount of liquid a container holds. For example: The bottle holds 200 ml of water.
Volume	The amount of liquid in a container.
Data	Factual information collected from asking people about their likes and dislikes.
Bar chart	A chart which uses bars to show information.
X-axis	The horizontal line on a graph.
Y-axis	The vertical line on a graph.
English	
Alliteration	Repeating the sound at the beginning of nearby words. For example: prancing perfectly.
Couplet	Two lines of poetry, one after the other, that rhyme and are of the same length and rhythm. For example: It's hard to tell just what a goose/ will have in common with a moose.
Exaggeration	To claim something is bigger and better than it actually is. For example: I was walking the dog, when suddenly gigantic dog bounded towards me.
Homophone	A word which has the same sound as another word, but a different spelling and meaning. For example: there, their, and they're.
Expanded noun phrase	A noun phrase contains a noun, plus words to describe it. For example The spotty, black dog.
Onomatopoeia	A word which sounds similar to thing it refers. For example: buzz or hiss.
Simile	A comparison between to unlike things, using 'like' or 'as'. For example: He was as strong as an ox.
Synonym	Word that has the same or nearly the same meaning as another word. For example: happy and overjoyed.
Story mountain	A diagram which shows the individual parts of a story. For example: Opening, build up, problem, resolution and ending.