

Prior Learning (Y1 Digital Writing):

Learners develop their understanding of using a computer to create and manipulate text. They will become familiar with using a keyboard and mouse to enter and remove text. Learners will learn how to change the look of their text, and will be able to justify their reasoning in making these changes. Finally, learners will consider the differences between using a computer to create text, and writing text on paper.

Key Vocabulary

text
images
communicate
font
font style
template
landscape
portrait
orientation
placeholder
layout
Desktop publishing
purpose

Text and Images

Text and images help communicate messages clearly so that everybody understands what to do.



Year 3

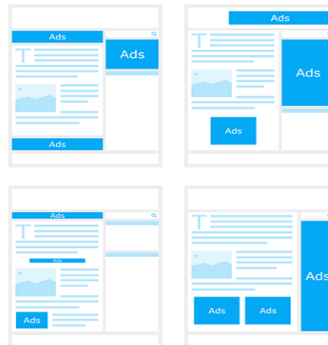
Creating Media 2: Desktop Publishing

Current Learning (Y3):

Learners will become familiar with the terms 'text' and 'images' and understand that they can be used to communicate messages. They will consider careful choices of font size, colour and type to edit and improve premade documents. Learners will be introduced to the terms 'templates', 'orientation', and 'placeholders'. They will start to add text and images to create their own pieces of work using desktop publishing software. Learners will look at a range of page layouts thinking carefully about the purpose of these and evaluate how and why desktop publishing is used in the real world.

What is a template?

A template is a document that has already been laid out in a certain way. It might have columns for text, or spaces for pictures or text.

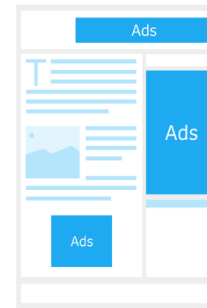


Templates can be helpful because they give you different page layouts to choose from.

What is a placeholder?

Placeholders are the boxes that hold the place of the text or images that you are going to add to your document.

Placeholders are helpful because you can design your page layout before having to think about the content you are going to add.



Future Learning (Y6 Webpage Creation)

Learners will be introduced to creating websites for a chosen purpose. Learners identify what makes a good web page and use this information to design and evaluate their own website using Google Sites. Throughout the process, learners pay specific attention to copyright and fair use of media, the aesthetics of the site, and navigation paths.

Layouts

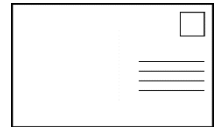
The way the text is arranged or laid out on the page is very important. Text is arranged in different ways depending on the purpose of the document.



Posters: Posters allow you to give a message quickly to those who read it



Newspapers: Newspapers allow you to give multiple messages to those who read them.



Postcards: Postcards give short messages. There is little writing to read, with an image on the other side.

Key Questions:

- What is the difference between text and images?
- How can I change font style, size and colour for a given purpose?
- What is a placeholder and why are they important?
- How do I add content to a desktop publisher document?
- Why do different layouts suit different purposes?
- What are the benefits of using desktop publishing?

Benefits of using Desktop Publishing



- It saves time
- It reduces costs
- Different jobs can be given to different people based on their skills, which gives better results.
- Have lots of different tools that improve how documents look

