Innovation Stage for Foundation Years

Key process	Key points	Comments
Planning • Think about when to start innovation	• When to change story: see pages 93 – 94.	
• Think about how to innovate	• How to pitch the innovation – simple substitution, addition, alteration, etc.: see pages 94 – 100.	
• Introduce innovation in playful ways – modeling how to change the story	Play at innovation by providing toys, puppets or story cards and model changing a story with the class, different groups and through independent play.	
• Draw and retell	• Start innovation by changing class map with children's ideas and retell new version: see page 100.	
	• Help children change their maps and retell: see pages 101 – 103.	
	• Use props, toys, story cards to help children choose new ideas.	
	• Types of innovation: see pages 103 – 107.	
Shared writing	• Use class shared writing to write the new version down, bit by bit over a number of days: page 109 – 111 and video 24 showing shared writing in a nursery class. Display shared writing and publish as a Big Book.	
• Guided writing	• Use guided writing – in groups, at similar stages: see page 110 and video 28.	
• Individual writing/ recording	Children write or record independently using audio/film, drawings, words, sentences or whole chunks – bit by bit over a number of days. Nursery children will play, draw and retell – record their new versions – share and celebrate.	
• Daily spelling and sentence activities	 Provide spelling cards of common tricky words for those writing, e.g. once, was. Model phonics in writing, tricky word spelling and careful handwriting. 	
	 Orally rehearse sentences, using patterns from the model needed for the innovation, e.g. 'Once upon a time, there was'. 	





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