

Innovation Stage for Foundation Years

Key process	Key points	Comments
 Planning Think about when to start innovation Think about how to innovate Introduce innovation in playful ways – modeling how to change the story 	 When to change story. How to pitch the innovation –simple substitution, addition, alteration, etc. 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. Help children change their maps and retell. Use props, toys, story cards to help children choose new ideas. Types of innovation 	
Shared writingGuided writing	 Use class shared writing to write the new version down, bit by bit over a number of days. Display shared writing and publish as a Big Book. Use guided writing – in groups, at similar stages: 	
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'. 	