

Writing - Editing

Editing involves reflecting on your own work and making subsequent changes. This skill can often require a lot of support - being critical of your own work can be challenging!

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As soon as learners are writing, they should be encouraged to edit and check their own work.

What to do

Seeing errors in your own writing is hard at first. Reading the learner's work out to them could help them recognise mistakes by breaking the content down into lines or sections.

Learners should also be encouraged to look back on their plan, and even check off points from their notes. It could also help learners to check if each paragraph of their work 'answers the question' by moving the title of the piece next to each new section.

When to raise a concern

If a learner cannot identify errors in their own work or in others' writing (where there are errors) you should raise a concern with the SENCo.

How to assess

As a teacher, your insight into the learner's writing and content generation will be invaluable for the SENCo. It will help them build a profile of the learner's needs, and to decide whether further assessment is needed.