



# How to use your KO

## Why is retrieval important?

- Retrieval is when we focus on getting information that we've already learned out of our heads
- The more we do it the less likely we are to forget
- It's REALLY important to space out our retrieval practice over the whole year
- It's also REALLY important to close our KOs when we're doing it - don't just copy it out



**Step One:** Pick a subject and a topic. Don't forget by the end of the year there will be three booklets to choose from



**Step Two:** Use the suggested activities on the next page to retrieve a section of your KO



**Step Three:** Come back to it again over the next few days/weeks. When you can easily recall a section

# Look, Cover, Write, Check, Correct

Look	Write	Check	Correct
Glacial	A landscape that is made up of ice or produced by ice. There are 3 different scales; ice caps, glaciers and ice sheets.	✓	
Glacier	A tongue of ice that moves slowly downhill. Polar glaciers are found at the edge of ice sheets. Alpine glaciers flow from the tops of mountains	✓	<i>Like a frozen river</i>
How do Glaciers move?	They move slowly downwards pushed by gravity and weight	✗	Glaciers are like frozen rivers.



Write yourself a Quiz based on the KOs.

Then get friends/family to quiz you on it.

Create your own flashcards for a topic

Use key vocab and one side and definitions on the other



You could do these on different coloured paper for different topics or subjects

## Post its

Using a pack of post it notes, write out as many of the key words and definitions as you can in 5 minutes.

Check the detail. Once you have remembered it, write it out in full in your knowledge book.

Use a green pen to fill in any missing detail.

## Sketch it

Draw pictures to represent each concept or idea. It could be a simple sketch or something that reminds you of the information. Once you have remembered the information, write it out in full in your knowledge book. Use a green pen to fill in any missing detail.

