	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year	Year 5	Year 6
Listening	Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens. Can find it difficult to pay attention to more than one thing at a time. Can start a conversation with an adult or a friend and continue it for many turns. Listen with increased attention to sounds. Understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding. Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound. Listen to and talk about selected nonfiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary. Listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing their feelings and response. Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions. Make comments about what they have	To listen to others in a range of situations and usually respond appropriately.	To listen carefully and respond with increasing appropriateness to what has been said, e.g. make a helpful contribution when speaking in a small reading group.	To listen carefully in a range of different contexts and usually respond appropriately to both adults and their peers.	To listen carefully in a range of different contexts and usually respond appropriately to both adults and their peers.	To listen carefully, making timely contributions and asking questions that are responsive to others' ideas and views, e.g. participate in a collaborative project where they listen to the ideas of others and adapt these to meet the needs of the group.	To make improvements based on constructive feedback on their listening skills.

	heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding. Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-forth exchanges with their teacher and peers. Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding appropriately even when engaged in activity, and show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions.						
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Following instructions	Understand a question or instruction that has two parts, such as "Get your coat and wait at the door." Increasingly follow rules, understanding why they are important. Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding appropriately even when engaged in activity, and show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions. Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly.	To understand instructions with more than one point in many situations.	To fully understand instructions with more than one point in many situations and independently seek clarification when a message is not clear. To attempt to follow instructions before seeking assistance.	To follow instructions in a range of unfamiliar situations. To recognise when it is needed and ask for specific additional information to clarify instructions.	To follow complex directions/multi-step instructions without the need for repetition.	To follow complex directions/multi-step instructions without the need for repetition.	To follow complex directions/multi-step instructions without the need for repetition.

Asking and answering questions	Understand a question or instruction that has two parts, such as "Get your coat and wait at the door." Understand 'why' questions, like: "Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?" Ask questions to find out more and check they understand what has been said to them. Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions. Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding. Offer explanations for why things happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, nonfiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.	To begin to ask questions that are linked to the topic being discussed. To answer questions on a wider range of topics (sometimes may only be one-word answers).	To show that they are following a conversation by asking relevant and timely questions. To answer questions using clear sentences. To begin to give reasoning behind their answers when prompted to do so.	To ask questions that relate to what has been heard or what was presented to them. To begin to offer support for their answers to questions with justifiable reasoning.	To generate relevant questions to ask a specific speaker/audienc e in response to what has been said. To regularly offer answers that are supported with justifiable reasoning.	To ask questions which deepen conversations and/or further their knowledge. To understand how to answer questions that require more detailed answers and justification.	To regularly ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge. To articulate and justify answers with confidence in a range of situations.
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confidence and performance Drama,

Sings a range of well-known nursery

Be able to express a point of view and To speak clearly To speak To rehearse To use To narrate stories To participate debate when they disagree with an in a way that is confidently within reading confidently in a intonation when with intonation adult or friend, using words as well as a group of peers sentences and easy to range of different reading aloud and actions. understand. so that their stories aloud. expression to add to emphasise performances, role message is clear. taking note of Show more confidence in new social detail and punctuation. play exercises and To speak in feedback from situations. excitement for the improvisations front of larger To practise and To practise and teachers and Develop appropriate ways of being (including acting in listener. audiences, e.g. rehearse reading rehearse peers. assertive. role). sentences and in a class To use feedback sentences and assembly, during stories aloud. To speak Create their own songs, or improvise a stories, gaining from peers and To gain, maintain regularly in a show 'n' tell song around one they know. To take on a feedback on teachers (and and monitor the front of large session. Retell the story, once they have developed different role in a their interest of the from observing and small a deep familiarity with the text; some as To know when drama or role performance other speakers) to listener(s). audiences. exact repetition and some in their own it is their turn to play and discuss from teachers make To select and use the character's To participate in words. speak in a small and peers. improvements to appropriate feelings. role play tasks, group performance. To take on a registers for showing an presentation or To recognise that Learn rhymes, poems and songs. specific role in understanding To combine effective play sometimes vocabulary performance. of role-play/drama communication. Watch and talk about dance and speakers talk activities and choices, gestures performance art, expressing their feelings To take part in a differently and character by participate in and body and responses. simple role play discuss reasons choosing focused movement to take of a known why this might appropriate Sing in a group or on their own, discussion while on and maintain words and happen. story. increasing matching the pitch and remaining in the role of a phrases to following the melody. character. character. indicate a Explore and engage in music making and person's To discuss the dance, performing solo or in groups. emotions. language Be confident to try new activities and choices of other show independence, resilience and speakers and perseverance in the face of a challenge.

how this may vary in different

	rhymes and songs. Performs songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time to music.				situations.		
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Vocab building and standard	Use a wider range of vocabulary. Develop their communication, but may continue to have problems with irregular tenses and plurals, such as 'runned' for 'ran' and 'swimmed' for 'swam'. Use longer sentences of four to six words. Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary. Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary. Learn new vocabulary. Use new vocabulary throughout the day.	To use appropriate vocabulary to describe their immediate world and feelings. To think of alternatives for simple vocabulary choices.	To start to use subject- specific vocabulary to explain, describe and add detail. To suggest words or phrases appropriate to the topic being discussed. To start to vary language according to the situation between formal and informal.	To use vocabulary that is appropriate to the topic and/or the audience. To recognise powerful vocabulary in stories/ texts that they read or listen to and begin to try to use these words and phrases in their own talk. To discuss	To regularly use interesting adjectives, adverbial phrases and extended noun phrases in speech. To know and use language that is acceptable in formal and informal situations with	To regularly use interesting adjectives, adverbial phrases and extended noun phrases in speech. To know and use language that is acceptable in formal and informal situations with increasing confidence.	To use relevant strategies to build their vocabulary. To use adventurous and ambitious vocabulary in speech, which is always appropriate to the topic, audience and purpose To speak audibly, fluently and with a full command of

	Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences. Develop social phrases. Use new vocabulary in different contexts. Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary.		To usually speak in grammatically correct sentences.	topics that are unfamiliar to their own direct experience.	increasing confidence. To recognise powerful vocabulary in stories/ texts that they read or listen to, building these words and phrases into their own talk in an appropriate way.	To recognise powerful vocabulary in stories/ texts that they read or listen to, building these words and phrases into their own talk in an appropriate way.	Standard English in all situations. To use a broad, deep and rich vocabulary to discuss abstract concepts and a wide
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Speakin	Be able to express a point of view and debate when they disagree with an adult or friend, using words as well as actions.	To organise their thoughts into sentences before expressing	To talk about themselves clearly and confidently. To verbally	To organise what they want to say so that it has a clear purpose.	To give descriptions, recounts and narrative retellings with	To plan and present information clearly with ambitious added	To communicate confidently across a range of contexts and to a range of audiences.

Begin to develop complex stories using small world equipment, such as animal sets, dolls and dolls houses, etc. Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them. Describe events in some detail. Use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities. Explain how things work and why they might happen. Develop social phrases. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding. Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as exact repetition and some in their own words. Use new vocabulary in different contexts. Listen to and talk about selected nonfiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary. Express their feelings and consider the feelings of others. Talk about their immediate family and community. Name and describe people who are familiar

to them.			
Comment on images of familiar situations			
in the past.			
Compare and contrast characters from			
stories, including figures from the past.			
stories, including figures from the past.			
Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst			
outside.			
Watch and talk about dance and			
performance art, expressing their feelings			
and responses.			
Make comments about what they have			
Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their			
meanings.			
meanings.			
Hold conversation when engaged in back-			
and-forth exchanges with their teacher and			
peers.			
Participate in small group, class and one-to-			
one discussions, offering their own ideas,			
using recently introduced vocabulary.			
Offer explanations for why things might			
happen, making use of recently introduced			
vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes			
and poems where appropriate.			
Express their ideas and feelings about			
their experiences using full sentences,			
including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions,			
with modelling and support from their			
with modelling and support from their			

teacher.			
Explain the reasons for rules, know right			
from wrong and try to behave			
accordingly.			
Demonstrate understanding of what has			
been read to them by retelling stories			
and narratives using their own words			
and recently introduced vocabulary.			
Use and understand recently introduced			
vocabulary during discussions about			
stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems			
and during role play.			
Read aloud simple sentences and books			
that are consistent with their phonic			
knowledge, including some common			
exception words.			
Talk about the lives of the people			
around them and their roles in society.			
Describe their immediate environment			
using knowledge from observation,			
discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and			
maps.			
Explain some similarities and differences			
between life in this country and life in			
other countries, drawing on knowledge			
from stories, non-fiction texts and (when			
appropriate) maps.			
Share their creations, explaining the			
processes they have used.			

	Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher. Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories						
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Participating in discussions	Be able to express a point of view and debate when they disagree with an adult or friend, using words as well as actions. Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions, when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions. Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-forth exchanges with their teachers and peers. Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary. Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role play.						