Progression in Communication and language		
Nursery	 Enjoy listening to longer stories and remember what happens Do attention to more things to things 	
(3-4)	 Pay attention to more than one thing at a time Use a wider range of vocabulary 	
(3-4)	 Understand a two part question or instruction 	
	 Understand 'Why?' questions 	
	Sing a large repertoire of songs	
	 Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books and tell a longer story 	
	 Develop their communication with some errors with tenses and plurals Develop pronunciation 	
	 Use longer sentences of 4 to 6 words 	
	 Be able to express a point of view and debate whether they agree/disagree with another person 	
	 Start and maintain a conversation with a friend or adult 	
	 Use talk to organize themselves and their play To confidently communicate own needs 	
Reception	 Understand how to listen carefully and why it is important 	
neception	 Learn and use new vocabulary 	
	 Ask questions to find out more and to check understanding 	
	Articulate ideas and thoughts in well formed sentences	
	 Use connectives to join ideas Describe events in some detail 	
	 Use talk to help work out problems and organize thinking and activities 	
	 Explain how things work and why they might happen 	
	Develop social phrases	
	Engage in story time Listen to and talk about stories	
	 Listen to and talk about stories Retell a story – some repetition and some own words 	
	 Use new vocabulary in different contexts 	
	 Listen carefully to songs and rhymes 	
	 Learn poems, rhymes and stories 	
	 Engage in non-fiction texts Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop new knowledge and vocabulary 	
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ELG	 To listen attentively in a range of situations. 	
ELG	 To give their attention to what others say and respond appropriately, while engaged in another activity. To follow instructions involving several ideas or actions 	
	 To follow instructions involving several ideas or actions. To answer 'how' and 'why' questions about their experiences and in response to stories or events. 	
	 To express themselves effectively, showing awareness of listeners' needs. 	
	 To speak confidently in a familiar group, will talk about their ideas. 	
	 To use past, present and future forms accurately when talking about events that have happened or are to happen in the future. 	
	 To develop their own narratives and explanations by connecting ideas or events. To listen and respond to ideas expressed by others in conversation or discussion. This is 40-60m not ELG. 	
Year 1	 To listen to others in a range of situations and usually respond appropriately. To understand instructions with more than one point in many situations. 	
	 To understand instructions with more than one point in many situations. 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 speak clearly in a way that is easy to understand. 	
	 To speak in front of larger audiences, e.g. in a class assembly, during a show 'n' tell session. 	
	 To know when it is their turn to speak in a small group presentation or play performance. 	
	 To take part in a simple role play of a known story. To use appropriate vocabulary to describe their immediate world and feelings. 	
	 To use appropriate vocabulary to describe their immediate world and feelings. To think of alternatives for simple vocabulary choices. 	
	 To organise their thoughts into sentences before expressing them. 	
	 To be able to describe their immediate world and environment. 	
	 To retell simple stories and recounts aloud. 	
	 To listen carefully and respond with increasing appropriateness to what has been said, e.g. make a helpful contribution when speaking in a 	
Year 2	small reading group.	
	 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 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 speak confidently within a group of peers so that their message is clear. 	
	 To speak confidently within a group of peers so that their message is clear. To practise and rehearse reading sentences and stories aloud. 	
	 To take on a different role in a drama or role play and discuss the character's feelings. 	
	 To recognise that sometimes speakers talk differently and discuss reasons why this might happen. 	
	 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 usually speak in grammatically correct sentences. To talk about themselves clearly and confidently. 	
	 To talk about themselves clearly and confidently. To verbally recount experiences with some added interesting details. 	
	 To offer ideas based on what has been heard 	

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Year 3	 To listen carefully in a range of different contexts and usually respond appropriately to both adults and their peers. 	
	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 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 rehearse reading sentences and stories aloud taking note of feedback from teachers and neers 	
	 To rehearse reading sentences and stories aloud, taking note of feedback from teachers and peers. To speak regularly in front of large and small audiences. 	
	 To participate in role play tasks, showing an understanding of 	
	 character by choosing appropriate words and phrases to indicate a person's emotions. 	
	 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 topics that are unfamiliar to their own direct experience. 	
	 To organise what they want to say so that it has a clear purpose. To begin to give descriptions, recounts and parrative retellings with added details to engage listeners. 	
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Year 4	 To listen carefully in a range of different contexts and usually respond appropriately to both adults and their peers. To fully a sensitive for the state state state state state state state state state. 	
	 To follow complex directions/multi-step instructions without the need for repetition. To generate relevant questions to ask a specific speaker/audience in response to what has been said. 	
	 To regularly offer answers that are supported with justifiable reasoning. 	
	 To use intonation when reading aloud to emphasise punctuation. 	
	 To practise and rehearse sentences and stories, gaining feedback on their performance from teachers and peers. 	
	 To take on a specific role in role-play/drama activities and participate in focused discussion while remaining in character. 	
	 To discuss the language choices of other speakers and how this may vary in different situations. 	
	 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 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 give descriptions, recounts and parrative retellings with specific details to actively engage listeners.	
	 To give descriptions, recounts and narrative retellings with specific details to actively engage listeners. To debate issues and make their opinions on topics clear. 	
	 To adapt their ideas in response to new information. 	
Year 5	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 follow complex directions/multi-step instructions without the need for repetition. 	
	 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 narrate stories with intonation and expression to add detail and excitement for the listener 	
	 expression to add detail and excitement for the listener. To use feedback from peers and teachers (and from observing other speakers) to make improvements to performance. 	
	 To combine vocabulary choices, gestures and body movement to take on and maintain the role of a character. 	
	 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 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 plan and present information clearly with ambitious added detail and description for the listener. 	
	To participate in debates/arguments and use relevant details to support their opinions and adding humour where appropriate.	
Year 6	 To make improvements based on constructive feedback on their listening skills. 	
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	 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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	 Play exercises and improvisations (including acting in role). 	
	 To gain, maintain and monitor the interest of the listener(s). 	
	 To select and use appropriate registers for effective communication. 	
	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 Standard English in all situations. 	
	 To use a broad, deep and rich vocabulary to discuss abstract concepts and a wide range of topics. 	
	 To confidently explain the meaning of words and offer alternative synonyms. 	
	 To communicate confidently across a range of contexts and to a range of audiences. To activite and instifut arguments and existence with confidence. 	
	 To articulate and justify arguments and opinions with confidence. 	
	To give well-structured descriptions, explanations, presentations and parratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings	
	 To give well-structured descriptions, explanations, presentations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings. To use spoken language to develop understanding through speculating, hypothesising, imagining and exploring ideas. 	