



Listening and Responding Appropriately								
Lis re app	EYFS (30 - 50mths to ELGs)	KS	51	KS2				
Listening and responding appropriately	30 - 50 months 40 - 60 months Early Learning Goals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
	Listen to others one to one or in small groups, when conversation interests them.  Listen to stories with increasing attention and recall.  Join in with repeated refrains and anticipate key events and phrases in rhymes and stories.  Focus attention - still listen or do, but can shift own attention.  Follow directions (if not intently focused on own choice of activity).  Show understanding of prepositions such as 'under', 'on top', 'behind' by carrying out an action or selecting correct picture.  Respond to simple instructions, e.g. to get or put away an object.  Maintain attention, concentrate and sit quietly during appropriate activity.	Listen to others in a range of situations and usually respond appropriately.  Understand instructions with more than one point.  Listen attentively and express simple views on a subject.  Engage in imaginative play and act out stories and improvisations from familiar situations verbalising and using words, phrases and sentences appropriate to the situation.  Vary their voice for effect.  Respond to what they hear with relevant comments.	Listen carefully and respond with increasing appropriateness to what has been said.  Fully understand instructions with more than one point in many situations and independently seek clarification when a message is not clear.  Attempt to follow instructions before seeking assistance.  Listen to others and begin to summarise some of the main points.  Express characters' thoughts and feelings in imaginative play and uses words and phrases appropriate words, phrases and sentences.	Follow instructions in a range of unfamiliar situations.  Recognise when it is needed and ask for specific additional information to clarify instructions.  Listen and respond to others making connected comments and begin to extend the points made by others.  Explore and imagine feelings within both story and real life settings.  Express views and feelings and confidently speculate on a range of possible outcomes.  Explain ideas in a manner appropriate to the listener.  Listen to others' views and preferences, agree next steps to take, and consider alternatives.  Understand the meaning of some phrases beyond the literal interpretation.	Follow complex directions/multi-step instructions without the need for repetition.  Listen to others, work out which information is important and make relevant and related comments.  Make predictions and speculate on possible outcomes based on the information given and inferences made (within a widening range of situations - both familiar and unfamiliar).  Recognise when the listener is losing interest and will use intonation and expression to engage interest.  Explain ideas in a manner appropriate to the listener.  Make expanded comments with supporting detail in response to others' viewpoints and say whether they agree or disagree and why.	Listen carefully, making timely contributions which add challenge to ideas and asking questions that are responsive to others' ideas and views.  Follow complex directions/multi-step instructions without the need for repetition.  Listen attentively to ideas and respond appropriately with positive comments, observant suggestions and challenges.  Use a growing range of vocabulary to speculate and hypothesise e.g. presume, suppose, conclude, guess, infer, estimate, suspect, consider, deduce, expect.  Understand the importance of intonation and expression in their own and others' talk, and how a change of volume or tone can re-focus or grab the listener's attention.  Interpret and respond to different viewpoints by making relevant comments that build on	Make improvements based on constructive feedback on their listening skills.  Follow complex directions/multi-step instructions without the need for repetition.  Use a wide range of vocabulary (cause/effect, possibility, predict, presume, suppose, conclude, guess, infer, estimate, suspect, consider, deduce, expect) to speculate about possible outcomes in narrative and real life situations.  Begin to vary delivery and tone to convey meaning and to match to the needs of the audience.  Interpret and respond to different viewpoints by building on contributions of others' and formulating questions to deepen understanding.	





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sequence.			single sentence response.	
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Understand humour, e.g.			Recognise and explain	
nonsense rhymes, jokes.			some idioms.	
Able to follow a story			Understand irony (when it	
without pictures or props.			is obvious).	
Listen and respond to				
ideas expressed by others				
in conversation or				
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Listen to stories, accurately				
anticipating key events and				
respond to what they hear				
with relevant comments,				
questions or actions.				
Give their attention to				
what others say and				
respond appropriately,				
while engaged in another				
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Follow instructions				
involving several ideas or				
actions.				





	Ask and Answer Questions									
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Ask/answer questions	30 - 50 months 40 - 60 months Early Learning Goals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6			
	Begin to understand 'why' and 'how' questions.  Question why things happen and gives explanations. Asks e.g. who, what, when, how.  Ask appropriate questions of others.  Answer 'how' and 'why' questions about their experiences and in response to stories or events.	Begin to ask questions that are linked to the topic being discussed to extend knowledge and understanding.  Answer questions on a wider range of topics (sometimes may only be one-word answers).	Show that they are following a conversation by asking relevant and timely questions.  Answer questions using clear sentences.  Begin to give reasoning behind their answers when prompted to do so.  Show interest and ask lots of questions to find out specific information.	Ask questions that relate to what has been heard or what was presented to them.  Begin to offer support for their answers to questions with justifiable reasoning.  Ask relevant questions in a widening variety of situations e.g. 1:1, of a visitor, during topic work, with a partner or in a group, during a visit out of school etc.	Generate relevant questions to ask a specific speaker/audience in response to what has been said.  Regularly offer answers that are supported with justifiable reasoning.  Begin to recognise the difference between open and closed questions and start to demonstrate that they can use/apply these appropriately.	Ask questions which are increasingly thoughtful, deepen conversations and/or further their knowledge to both peers and adults.  Understand how to answer questions that require more detailed answers and justification.	Regularly ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge and to suit different situations.  Articulate and justify answers with confidence in a range of situations.			

	Speaking Clearly for a Range of Purposes and Audiences									
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eaking for a range of purposes	30 - 50 months 40 - 60 months Early Learning Goals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6			
	Retell a simple past event in correct order (e.g. went down slide, hurt finger).  Use talk to connect ideas, explain what is happening and anticipate what might happen next, recall and relive past experiences.	Organise their thoughts into sentences before expressing them.  Describe their immediate world and environment.  Retell simple stories and recounts aloud mainly making appropriate tense choices, using character names and basic sequencing.	Talk about themselves clearly and confidently.  Verbally recount experiences with some added interesting details and clarity, beginning to make connections between ideas or thoughts.  Offer ideas based on what has been heard.	Organise what they want to say so that it has a clear purpose.  Begin to give descriptions, recounts and narrative retellings with added details to engage listeners, knowing when to add detail and when to leave it out.	Give descriptions, recounts and narrative retellings with specific details to actively engage listeners.  Debate issues and make their opinions on topics clear.	Plan and present information clearly with ambitious added detail and description for the listener.  Participate in debates/arguments and use relevant details to support their opinions and add humour where appropriate.	Communicate confidently across a range of contexts and to a range of audiences.  Articulate clearly and justify more complex opinions with some elaboration, taking notice of the opinion of others.  Give well-structured descriptions, explanations,			





Develop their own
narratives and
explanations by
connecting ideas or
events.

Use language to express opinion and explain.

Uses a more formal tone with the adults in school.

Speak in a way that is clear and easy to understand.

Demonstrate good phonic knowledge by clearly pronouncing the sounds within words.

Identify syllables within words.

Give just enough detail to keep the audience engaged.

Use more complicated grammar to explain or justify opinion.

Know that they need to use different styles of talk with different people.

Speak in a way that is clear and easy to understand.

Demonstrate good phonic knowledge by clearly pronouncing the sounds within words.

Identify syllables within words.

Give just enough detail to keep the audience engaged.

Express personal feelings or recounts experiences with clarity and makes clear connections between ideas or thoughts.

Begin to articulate and justify opinion on a character, event or situation in response to a question or prompt.

With support, make more formal language choices when speaking to visitors and staff in school.

Use verbs with irregular endings.

Use a mixture of sentence lengths to add interest to discussions and explanations.

Use intonation to emphasise grammar and punctuation when reading aloud.

Bring stories to life with expression and intonation.

Adapt their ideas in response to new information.

Present information or personal feelings in a structured way, with key ideas highlighted.

Articulate and justify opinion on a character, event or situation in response to a question or prompt.

In familiar situations, recognise for themselves when to use formal language.

Use verbs with irregular endings.

Use a mixture of sentence lengths to add interest to discussions and explanations.

Use intonation to emphasise grammar and punctuation when reading aloud.

Bring stories to life with expression and intonation.

Present information or personal feelings coherently selecting memorable details including specific vocabulary.

Articulate clearly and justify more complex opinions and answers about a character, event or situation.

Select the appropriate register in familiar situations.

Vary the length and structure of sentences.

Narrate detailed and exciting stories.

Use the conventions and structure appropriate to the type of story being told.

presentations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings.

Use spoken language to develop understanding through speculating, hypothesising, imagining and exploring ideas.

Make reference back to their original thoughts when their opinions have changed and give reasons for their change of focus.

Adapt the structure of talk in ways which support meaning and show attention to the listener.

Adapt language style and register to suit the purpose in a range of situations.





		Using Vo	ocabulary Appro	priately & Using S	Standard English			
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Using vocabulary appropriately & Standard English	30 - 50 months 40 - 60 months Early Learning Goals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
	Begin to use more complex sentences to link thoughts (e.g. using and, because).  Use a range of tenses (e.g. play, playing, will play, played).  Use vocabulary focused on objects and people that are of particular importance to them.  Build up vocabulary that reflects the breadth of their experiences.  Extend vocabulary, especially by grouping and naming, exploring the meaning and sounds of new words.  Use language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences in play situations.  Link statements and stick to a main theme or intention.  Use talk to organise, sequence and clarify thinking, ideas, feelings and events.  Introduce a storyline or narrative into their play.	Use appropriate vocabulary to describe their immediate world and feelings.  Think of alternatives for simple vocabulary choices.  Select specific words to make the meaning clearer.  Use subject specific vocabulary to explain and describe.	Use subject-specific vocabulary to explain, describe and add detail.  Suggest words or phrases appropriate to the topic being discussed.  Start to vary language according to the situation between formal and informal.  Usually speak in grammatically correct sentences.  Ask for the meaning of unknown words.  Use newly introduced topic words appropriately in a sentence.  Use speech that is consistently easy to understand and clear.	Use vocabulary that is appropriate to the topic and/or the audience.  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.  Discuss topics that are unfamiliar to their own direct experience.  Use newly introduced topic words and more adventurous vocabulary appropriately.  Speak clearly using more sophisticated language to explain, justify and relay information.  Use time, size and other measurements to quantify.	Regularly use interesting adjectives, adverbial phrases and extended noun phrases in speech, which are appropriate to the topic and audience.  Know and use language that is acceptable in formal and informal situations with increasing confidence.  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.  Use a wider range of verbs and adverbs within their everyday and more formal speech and begin to understand the effect.  Speak clearly and fluently about a range of events.  Use complex sentences to communicate clearly and explain further. Use time, size and other measurements to quantify.	Regularly use interesting adjectives, adverbial phrases and extended noun phrases in speech.  Know and use language that is acceptable in formal and informal situations with increasing confidence.  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.  Evaluate the effectiveness and impact of their own and others' word choices.  Begin to use a wider range of subordinating conjunctions and adverbials within their talk to make language flow.  Use adventurous and sophisticated vocabulary.  Explain the meaning of words, offering alternatives.  Use a wide range of phrases that include determiners, modifiers and other techniques to add extra interest and clarity.	Use relevant strategies to build their vocabulary.  Use adventurous and ambitious vocabulary in speech, which is always appropriate to the topic, audience and purpose.  Speak audibly, fluently and with a full command of Standard English in all situations.  Use a broad, deep and rich vocabulary to discuss abstract concepts.  Evaluate the effectiveness and impact of their own and others' word choices and consider alternatives for effect.  Use complex sentence structures including a wide range of phrases that include determiners, modifiers and other techniques with confidence and is fluent and clear in a wide range of situations to add extra interest and clarity.	





		Use past, present and future forms accurately when talking about events that have happened or are to happen in the future.					Comment on the grammatical structure of a range of spoken and written accounts.	Explain the meaning of words, offering alternatives.
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	Drama and Performance									
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Drama and Performance	30 - 50 months 40 - 60 months Early Learning Goals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6			
	Use intonation, rhythm and phrasing to make the meaning clear to others.  Use talk in pretending that objects stand for something else in play, e,g, 'This box is my castle.'  Express themselves effectively, showing awareness of listeners' needs.	Speak clearly in a way that is easy to understand.  Speak in front of larger audiences.  Know when it is their turn to speak in a small group presentation or play performance.  Take part in a simple role play of a known story.  Use character voices in context.	Speak confidently within a group of peers so that their message is clear.  Practise and rehearse reading sentences and stories aloud.  Take on a different role in a drama or role play and discuss the character's feelings, taking on some characteristics and/or the voice of the character being played.  Recognise that sometimes speakers talk differently and discuss reasons why this might happen.	Rehearse reading sentences and stories aloud, taking note of feedback from teachers and peers.  Speak regularly in front of large and small audiences.  Participate, create and sustain role play tasks, showing an understanding of character by choosing appropriate words and phrases to indicate a person's emotions.	Use intonation when reading aloud to emphasise punctuation.  Practise and rehearse sentences and stories, gaining feedback on their performance from teachers and peers.  Take on a specific role in role-play/drama activities and participate in focused discussion while remaining in character, showing an understanding of the character through speech (content, style, intonation and expression), gesture and movement.  Discuss the language choices of other speakers and how this may vary in different situations.	Narrate stories with intonation and expression to add detail and excitement for the listener.  Use feedback from peers and teachers (and from observing other speakers) to make improvements to performance.  Combine vocabulary choices, gestures and body movement to take on and maintain the role of a character.  Develop a role and understands that the character will respond differently and display different 'sides' to them depending on the situation.	Participate confidently in a range of different performances, role play exercises and improvisations (including acting in role).  Gain, maintain and monitor the interest of the listener(s).  Select and use appropriate registers for effective communication.  Demonstrate the ability to adapt a character to different scenarios and is able to sustain a role effectively.			





	Participating in Discussions							
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Participating in discussions	30 - 50 months 40 - 60 months Early Learning Goals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
	Initiate conversations, attend to and take account of what others say.  Listen and respond to ideas expressed by others in conversation or discussion.	Recognise when it is their turn to speak in a discussion and listens carefully to the contributions of others.  Recognise that different people will have different responses and that that these are as valuable as their own opinions and ideas.  Behave appropriately during interactions and demonstrates the use of some non-verbal gestures - looking, eye gaze, postureturning towards the speaker when talking to others.  Vary language between formal and informal according to the situation.  Add humour to a discussion or debate where appropriate.	Give enough detail to hold the interest of other participant(s) in a discussion.  Engage in and contribute to meaningful discussions that relate to different topic areas and is uses some imaginative and adventurous vocabulary.  Remain focused on a discussion when not directly involved and recall the main points when questioned.  Take turns to talk, listening carefully to the contributions of others.  Vary language between formal and informal according to the situation.  Add humour to a discussion or debate where appropriate.	Engage in discussions, making relevant points or asking relevant questions to show they have followed a conversation.  Take account of the viewpoints of others when participating in discussions.  Keep talk purposeful and stay on topic, and begins to use gestures and intonation to further meaning.  Present and structure information in different ways.  Seek clarification by actively seeking to understand others' points of view.  Respectfully challenge opinions or points, offering an alternative.	Engage in discussions, making relevant points and ask for specific additional information or viewpoints from other participants.  Engage in meaningful discussions in all areas of the curriculum.  Present information in a structured way use specific vocabulary.  Adapt language to engage and suit their audience e.g. vocabulary appropriate to the audience, intonation to engage, eye gaze, eye contact, well used gestures.  Respectfully challenge opinions or points, offering an alternative.	Develop, agree to and evaluate rules for effective discussion; follow their own rules in small groups and whole- class conversations.  Engage in longer and sustained discussions about a range of topics giving enough detail to keep the reader interested.  Ask questions, offer suggestions, challenge ideas and give opinions in order to take an active part in discussions.  Present information clearly using an introduction, relevant ideas and a conclusion.  Use well-chosen and specific vocabulary.  Negotiate and compromise by offering alternatives.  Debate, using relevant details to support points.  Begin to offer alternative explanations when others don't understand.	Maintain attention and participate actively in collaborative conversations, staying on topic and initiating and responding to comments with confidence.  Consider and evaluate different viewpoints, adding their own interpretations and building on the contributions of others.  Offer an alternative explanation when other participant(s) do not understand.  Structure their talk to meet the needs of their listeners e.g. well-chosen/relevant details, appropriate language choices, clear and succinct information and a range of non-verbal gestures (such as deliberate pause/delay for effect).  Negotiate and compromise by offering alternatives.  Debate, using relevant details to support points.	



