

EYFS	KS1&2 objectives	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3 & 4	Year 5 & 6
Listen to stories,	Listen and respond	Look at who's talking to	Understand complex 2 or	Listen to information, work	Understand sarcasm
accurately anticipating key	appropriately to adults	them.	3 part instructions	out what is the important	
events and respond to	and their peers		including more	information they need to	Understand different types
what they hear with		Follow instruction whilst	abstract/imaginative	convey to their audience.	of questions – open,
relevant comments, questions or actions.		busy with another task.	situations e.g. choose a character from one story,		closed, rhetorical
questions of actions.			talk to your partner about	Be specific when asking for clarification.	
Give their attention to what		Be able to follow 2 to 3	how they feel at the end of	for clarification.	Understand and use
others say and respond		part spoken instructions –	the story.		phrasal verbs
appropriately, while		e.g. get your coat, then choose a partner and line		Infer meanings and make predictions from what's	appropriately e.g. 'putting up with'
engaged in another		up by the door.	Understand key points	said and how it is said.	up with
activity.			they need to focus on in	Salu and now it is salu.	Understand and aniov
		Understand how or why	order to answer a question		Understand and enjoy jokes and recognise
Answer 'how' and 'why'		questions.	or follow an instruction.		simple idioms.
questions about their	Ask relevant questions	Ask lots of questions to	Ask lots of questions to	Ask question to seek	Understand and use
experiences and in	to extend their	find out specific	find out specific	additional information for	different question types
response to stories or	understanding and	information including how	information including how	clarification.	i.e. open / closed/
events.	knowledge	and why.	and why.		rhetorical.
				Beginning to understand	
Express themselves		'Dig deeper' when	'Dig deeper' when	that there is a logical	Keep conversations going
effectively, showing		questioning others to	questioning others to	sequence to asking	with a range of people by
awareness of listeners'		extend their knowledge.	extend their knowledge.	questions.	asking relevant questions
needs.					relating to the previous
		Respond appropriately to	Respond appropriately to		remark.
Use past, present and		the answers to their	the answers to their		
future forms accurately when talking about events		questions.	questions.	Line Professional	
that have happened or are	Use relevant strategies to build their vocabulary	Understand that words can be put into categories	Begin to choose from a range of imaginative and	Use dictionaries and thesaurus, word study,	Can talk about abstract concepts using a rich and
to happen in the future.		e.g. animals, transport,	descriptive words in	clines, collocations etc. to	varied vocabulary to
		characters	sentences.	make better word choices	articulate ideas and
Develop their own		Recognise objects,	Be able to infer what a	mane better word choices	emotions
narratives and		characters and animals	new word means by	Use vocabulary	
explanations by		from a description.	context.	appropriately and for	Be able to select the most
connecting ideas or				effect	appropriate resource to
events.		Use words more	Be able to use classroom		support vocabulary
		specifically to make their	resources to support	Use appropriate	choices
		meaning clear	language choices	terminology linked to other	
				curriculum subjects	

Children are confident to speak in a familiar group, will talk about their ideas.	Articulate and justify answers, arguments and opinions	Show that they can use language to reason and persuade e.g. 'I thinkbecause'	Use more complicated grammar including using different ways to join phrases to help explain and justify ideas/events or opinions e.g. because, so, then.	Can give answers to questions that are supported by justifiable reasons Can support own ideas and opinions with explanation	Can sustain an argument and follow a train of thought, returning to main ideas throughout the course of the conversation Can present ideas / opinions coherently , supported with reasons
	Give well-structured descriptions, explanations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings.	List events with some detail Retell favourite stories Describe events. These may not always be joined together or in the correct order.	Describe their own experiences in detail and in the correct order. Tell a story with important key components in place. Use conjunctions to link their ideas together	Select appropriate detail and chronology to include in their descriptions, explanations, narratives – increasingly aware of the need be concise or extend answers based on the situation.	Can talk about feelings, thoughts and ideas with some detail to make meaning explicit Can present information clearly and in an appropriate form to the listener Can plan and present information verbally selecting the appropriate format and style to match the purpose Can sustain a longer conversation about a given topic
	Maintain attention and participate actively in collaborative conversations, staying on topic and initiating and responding to comments	Start conversations with other people and join in with group conversations listening and responding to ideas expressed by others.	Take turns to talk, listen and respond in two-way conversations and groups.	Vary the tone of their voices to make story telling exciting and come to life. Understand the interests of the listener, e.g. 'guess who I saw yesterday'	Manage and organise collaborative tasks with little adult supervision. Use appropriate expression and tone for the purpose and the audience. Can summarise another person's contribution to a discussion adding their own interpretation / opinion based on what has been heard

Use spoken langua develop understand through speculating hypothesising, imagining and expl ideas	ling g,suggestions based on what has been heard - for example in response to reading or watching an experiment	Use language to communicate a wider range of concepts such as ask, negotiate, give opinions and discuss feelings and ideas.	Develop ideas and expand on these building on what others say Adapt these ideas in light of new information	Offer ideas and support these with reasoning. Be prepared to change these as new information comes to light and make reference back to original thoughts providing either further evidence to support ideas or reasons for the change of focus
Speak audibly and fluently with an increasing commar Standard English.	Produce speech that is clear and easy to understand, though may have some immaturities e.g. pronunciation of certain sounds and some grammatical errors	Use speech that is usually clear and easily understood by others. Have a growing awareness of grammatically accurate Standard English.	Use grammatically accurate standard English Recognise the difference between formal and informal language.	Can articulate thoughts clearly when presenting to a range of audiences Can adopt a formal / informal tone as appropriate to the situation
Participate in discussions, presentations, performances, role improvisations and debates.	Join in and organise role play with friends. play, Play cooperatively and pretend to be someone else talking. Re-tell favourite stories.	Use an imaginative range of descriptive words when engaged in role play. Use speech that is consistently clear and easy to understand when presenting to others	Speak clearly, fluently and accurately in a range of collaborative situations offering relevant contributions to the task Vary their tone of voice to make role play/information more exciting.	Can present information in a variety of ways to a range of audiences Take an active role in discussions - taking on specific roles and taking responsibility to ensure that a discussion remains focused Perform to wider audiences combining words, gestures and movement Participate in debates, following appropriate etiquette, and conventions
Gain, maintain and monitor the interest the listener(s).	: of	Take turns to talk, listen and respond in two-way conversations and groups Organise thoughts into sentences before expressing them Give details that they know are important and will influence the listener.	Add detail or leave information out according to how much is already known by the listener. Understand the interests of the listener and respond appropriately.	Be aware of the listener and adapt talk to maintain the listener's interest Express and explain relevant ideas with some elaboration to make meaning explicit

				Maintain control and effective organisation of a talk to guide the listener Adapt vocabulary, grammar and non-verbal features to maintain listener's interest
Consider and evaluate different viewpoints, attending to and building on the contributions of others	Listen to others, taking account of their opinions. Take turns to speak to and with others	Listen carefully to others, asking lots of questions to find out specific information including 'how' and 'why' Begin to recognise and value the opinions of others	Join in discussions using appropriate and relevant vocabulary. Keep conversations going with a range of people by making relevant comments or by asking questions and acknowledging other viewpoints Take account of the viewpoints of others when building own arguments and offering responses	Explore and explain situations and concepts to identify and evaluate the merits of other options and possible outcomes. Make reference to the viewpoints of others providing supporting evidence or counterbalancing these with their own opinions
Select and use appropriate registers for effective communication.	Use words more specifically to make their meaning clear. Show some awareness of appropriate language choices in school as opposed to home e.g. 'loo'/toilet.	Use language they hear other people using and begin to be aware of current peer language. Begin to understand that they need to use different styles of talk with different people.	Use formal or informal language where appropriate in familiar situations to ensure the listener understands	Select and use the appropriate formality of language depending on the audience. Explain features of own and others' language use, showing understanding of the effect of varying language for different purposes and situations