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Connect Attempt Explain Apply	EYFS	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Listening skills	To listen attentively in a range of situations. To give their attention to what others say and respond appropriately, while engaged in another activity	Year 1 To listen to others in a range of situations and usually respond appropriately. Year 2 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.	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. Year 6 To make improvements based on constructive feedback on their listening skills.
Following instructions	To respond to simple instructions, e.g. to get or put away an object. To respond to instructions involving a two-part sequence.	Year 1 To understand instructions with more than one point in many situations. Year 2 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.	Year 3 To follow instructions in a range of unfamiliar situations. To recognise when it is needed and ask for specific additional information to clarify instructions. Year 4 To follow complex directions/multistep instructions without the need for repetition.	To follow complex directions/multi-step instructions without the need for repetition.





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Asking and	To ask appropriate questions of others.	Year 1 To begin to ask questions that are	Year 3 To ask questions that relate to what	To ask questions which deepen
answering	others.			
questions	- " " 1/ 1/	linked to the topic being discussed.	has been heard or what was presented	conversations and/or further their
1	To answer 'how' and 'why'		to them.	knowledge.
	questions about their experiences	To answer questions on a wider	_ , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
	and in response to stories or	range of topics (sometimes may only	To begin to offer support for their	To understand how to answer questions
	events.	be one-word answers).	answers to questions with justifiable	that require more detailed answers and
			reasoning.	justification.
		Year 2		
		To show that they are following a	Year 4	Year 6
		conversation by asking relevant and	To generate relevant questions to ask a	To regularly ask relevant questions to
		timely questions.	specific speaker/audience in response	extend their understanding and
			to what has been said.	knowledge.
		To answer questions using clear		
		sentences.	To regularly offer answers that are	To articulate and justify answers with
			supported with justifiable reasoning.	confidence in a range of situations.
		To begin to give reasoning behind		
		their answers when prompted to do		
		so.		
Drama,	To express themselves effectively,	Year 1	Year 3	Year 5
performance and	showing awareness of listeners'	To speak clearly in a way that is easy	To rehearse reading sentences and	To narrate stories with intonation and
confidence	needs. To speak confidently in a	to understand.	stories aloud, taking note of feedback	expression to add detail and excitement
confidence	familiar group, will talk about		from teachers and peers.	for the listener.
	their ideas.	To speak in front of larger audiences,		
		e.g. in a class assembly, during a	To speak regularly in front of large and	To use feedback from peers and teachers
		show 'n' tell session.	small audiences.	(and from observing other speakers) to
		To know when it is their turn to	To participate in role play tasks,	make improvements to performance.
		speak in a small group presentation	showing an understanding of character	
		or play performance.	by choosing appropriate words and	





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		To take part in a simple role play of a	phrases to indicate a person's	To combine vocabulary choices, gestures
		known story.	emotions.	and body movement to take on and maintain the role of a character.
		Year 2	Year 4	
		To speak confidently within a group	To use intonation when reading aloud	Year 6
		of peers so that their message is clear.	to emphasise punctuation.	To participate confidently in a range of different performances, role play
			To practise and rehearse sentences and	exercises and improvisations (including
		To practise and rehearse reading	stories, gaining feedback on their	acting in role).
		sentences and stories aloud.	performance from teachers and peers.	
				To gain, maintain and monitor the
		To take on a different role in a drama	To take on a specific role in role-	interest of the listener(s).
		or role play and discuss the	play/drama activities and participate in	
		character's feelings.	focused discussion while remaining in character.	To select and use appropriate registers for effective communication.
		To recognise that sometimes		
		speakers talk differently and discuss	To discuss the language choices of	
		reasons why this might happen.	other speakers and how this may vary	
			in different situations.	
Vocabulary	To build up vocabulary that	Year 1	Year 3	Year 5
building and	reflects the breadth of their	To use appropriate vocabulary to	To use vocabulary that is appropriate	To regularly use interesting adjectives,
developing	experiences.	describe their immediate world and	to the topic and/or the audience.	adverbial phrases and extended noun
		feelings.		phrases in speech.
Standard English	To use past, present and future		To recognise powerful vocabulary in	
	forms accurately when talking	To think of alternatives for simple	stories/ texts that they read or listen to	To know and use language that is
	about events that have happened	vocabulary choices.	and begin to try to use these words	acceptable in formal and informal
	or are to happen in the future.		and phrases in their own talk.	situations with increasing confidence.
		Year 2		
			To discuss topics that are unfamiliar to	To recognise powerful vocabulary in
			their own direct experience.	stories/ texts that they read or listen to,





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		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.	Year 4 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.	building these words and phrases into their own talk in an appropriate way. Year 6 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 use a broad, deep and rich vocabulary to discuss abstract concepts and a wide range of topics. To speak audibly, fluently and with a full command of Standard English in all situations. To confidently explain the meaning of words and offer alternative synonyms.
Speaking for a range of purposes	To explain own knowledge and understanding. To develop their own narratives and explanations by connecting ideas or events.	Year 1 To organise their thoughts into sentences before expressing them. To be able to describe their immediate world and environment.	Year 3 To organise what they want to say so that it has a clear purpose. To begin to give descriptions, recounts and narrative retellings with added details to engage listeners.	Year 5 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





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		To retell simple stories and recounts	Year 4	opinions and adding humour where
		aloud.	To give descriptions, recounts and	appropriate.
			narrative retellings with specific details	
		Year 2	to actively engage listeners.	Year 6
		To talk about themselves clearly and		To communicate confidently across a
		confidently.	To debate issues and make their	range of contexts and to a range of
			opinions on topics clear.	audiences.
		To verbally recount experiences with	To adapt their ideas in response to new	
		some added interesting details.	information.	To articulate and justify arguments and
				opinions with confidence.
		To offer ideas based on what has		
		been heard.		To give well-structured descriptions,
				explanations, presentations and
				narratives for different purposes,
				including for expressing feelings.
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				To use spoken language to develop
				understanding through speculating,
				hypothesising, imagining and exploring
				ideas.
				lucas.
				To refer back to their original thoughts
				when their opinions have changed and
				give reasons for their change of focus.
Dantisia atia a 1	To listen and respond to ideas	Year 1	Year 3	Year 5
Participating in	· ·			
discussions	expressed by others in conversation or discussion.	To recognise when it is their turn to	To engage in discussions, making	To develop, agree to and evaluate rules for effective discussion; follow their own
	conversation of discussion.	speak in a discussion.	relevant points or asking relevant	•
		To accomplise that different a	questions to show they have followed a	rules in small groups and whole- class
		To recognise that different people	conversation.	conversations.
		will have different responses and		





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that that these are as valuable as	To take account of the viewpoints of	To engage in longer and sustained
their own opinions and ideas.	others when participating in	discussions about a range of topics.
	discussions.	
Year 2		To ask questions, offer suggestions,
To give enough detail to hold the	Year 4	challenge ideas and give opinions in order
interest of other participant(s) in a	To engage in discussions, making	to take an active part in discussions.
discussion.	relevant points and ask for specific	
	additional information or viewpoints	Year 6
To engage in meaningful discussions	from other participants.	To maintain attention and participate
that relate to different topic areas.		actively in collaborative conversations,
	To begin to challenge opinions with	staying on topic and initiating and
To remain focused on a discussion	respect.	responding to comments with confidence.
when not directly involved and be		
able to recall the main points when	To engage in meaningful discussions in	To consider and evaluate different
questioned.	all areas of the curriculum.	viewpoints, adding their own
		interpretations and building on the
		contributions of others.
		To offer an alternative explanation when
		other participant(s) do not understand.