

Owston Park Primary Academy
Spoken Language
Progression of Skills

Oracy and Vocabulary

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Sentence stems	Sentence stems	Sentence stems	Sentence stems	Sentence stems	Sentence stems	Sentence stems
Vocabulary	Vocabulary	Vocabulary	Vocabulary	Vocabulary	Vocabulary	Vocabulary

Listening Skills

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
To listen attentively in a range of situations. To give their attention to what others say and respond appropriately, while engaged in another activity.	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.

Following Instructions

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
To follow instructions involving several ideas or actions.	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.		

Asking and Answering Questions

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
To ask appropriate questions of others. To answer 'how' and 'why' questions about their experiences and in response to stories or events.	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/audience 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 justifications.	To regularly ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge. To articulate and justify answers with confidence in a range of situations.

Drama, Performance and Confidence

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
To express themselves effectively, showing awareness of listeners' needs. To speak confidently in a familiar group and will talk about their ideas.	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 recite simple poems by heart.	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 characters' feelings and reasons for actions. To recognise that sometimes speakers talk differently and discuss reasons why this might happen. To continue to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some with an appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear.	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 prepare and perform poems and play scripts that show some awareness of the audience when reading aloud. To begin to use appropriate intonation and volume when reading aloud.	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 prepare and perform poems and play scripts with appropriate techniques (intonation, tone, volume and action) to show awareness of the audience when reading aloud.	To narrate stories with intonation and 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 continually show an awareness of audience when reading out loud using intonation, tone, volume and action.	To participate confidently in a range of different performances, role play exercises and improvisations (including acting in role). To confidently perform texts (including poems learnt by heart) using a wide range of devices to engage the audience and for effect. To gain, maintain and monitor the interest of the listener(s). To select and use appropriate registers for effective communication.

Vocabulary Building and Standard English

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
To use past, present and future forms accurately when talking about events that have happened or are to happen in the future.	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 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	To regularly use interesting adjectives, adverbial phrases and extended noun phrases in speech. To know and use language that is acceptable in formal	To know and use language that is acceptable in formal and informal situations with confidence. To recognise powerful vocabulary in stories/texts	To use relevant strategies to build their vocabulary. To use adventurous and ambitious vocabulary in speech, which is always

		<p>To suggest words or phrases appropriate to the topic being discussed.</p> <p>To start to vary language according to the situation between formal and informal.</p> <p>To usually speak in grammatically correct sentences.</p>	<p>and begin to try to use these words and phrases in their own talk.</p> <p>To discuss topics that are unfamiliar to their own direct experience.</p>	<p>and informal situations with increasing confidence.</p>	<p>that they read or listen to, building these words and phrases into their own talk in an appropriate way.</p>	<p>appropriate to their topic, audience and purpose.</p> <p>To speak audibly, fluently and with a full command of Standard English in all situations.</p> <p>To use a broad, deep and rich vocabulary to discuss abstract concepts and a wide range of topics.</p> <p>To confidently explain the meaning of words and offer alternative synonyms.</p>
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Speaking for a range of Purposes

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<p>To use talk to organise, sequence and clarify thinking, ideas, feelings and events.</p>	<p>To organise their thoughts into sentences before expressing them.</p> <p>To be able to describe their immediate world and environment.</p> <p>To retell simple stories and recounts aloud.</p>	<p>To talk about themselves clearly and confidently.</p> <p>To verbally recount experiences with some added interesting details.</p> <p>To offer ideas based in what has been heard.</p>	<p>To organise what they want to say so that it has a clear purpose.</p> <p>To begin to give descriptions, recounts and narrative retellings with added details to engage listeners.</p>	<p>To give descriptions, recounts and narrative retellings with specific details to actively engage listeners.</p> <p>To debate issues and make their opinions on topics clear.</p> <p>To adapt their ideas in response to new information.</p>	<p>To plan and present information clearly with ambitious added detail and description for the listener.</p> <p>To participate in debates/arguments and use relevant details to support their opinions and adding humour where appropriate.</p>	<p>To communicate confidently across a range of audiences.</p> <p>To articulate and justify arguments and opinions with confidence.</p> <p>To give well-structured descriptions, explanations, presentations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings.</p> <p>To use spoken language to develop understanding through speculating, hypothesising, imagining and exploring ideas.</p> <p>To make reference back to their original thoughts when their opinions have changed and give reasons for their change of focus.</p>

Participation in Discussions

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<p>To listen and respond to ideas expressed by others in conversation or discussion.</p>	<p>To recognise when it is their turn to speak in a discussion.</p> <p>To recognise that different people will have different responses and these are as</p>	<p>To give enough detail to hold the interest of other participants in a discussion.</p> <p>To engage in meaningful discussions and relate to different topic areas.</p>	<p>To engage in discussions, making relevant points or asking relevant questions to show they have followed a conversation.</p>	<p>To engage in discussions, making relevant points and ask for specific additional information or viewpoints from other participants.</p>	<p>To develop, agree to and evaluate rules for effective discussion; follow their own rules in small groups and whole class conversations.</p>	<p>To maintain attention and participate actively in collaborative conversations, staying on topic and initiating and</p>

	valuable as their own opinions and ideas.	To remain focused on a discussion when not directly involved and be able to recall the main points when questioned.	To take account of the viewpoints of others when participating in discussions.	To begin to challenge opinions with respect. To engage in meaningful discussions in all areas of the curriculum.	To engage in longer and sustained discussions about a range of topics. To ask questions, offer suggestions, challenge ideas and give opinions in order to take an active part in discussions.	responding to comments with confidence. To consider and evaluate different viewpoints, adding their own interpretations and building on the contribution of others. To offer an alternative explanation when other participants do not understand.
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