Communication and Language Progression in Reception



	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Listening, Attention and Understanding	Understand how to listen carefully and why	Ask questions to find out more and to check they	ELG Listening Attention and Understanding
	listening is important.	understand what has been said to them.	Listen attentively and respond to what they
			hear with relevant questions, comments and
	Learn new vocabulary.	Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity	actions when being read to and during whole
		and understanding.	class discussions and small group interactions.
	Engage in storytimes by listening carefully,		
	retaining what has been heard and recalling	Retell the story, once they have developed a	ELG Listening Attention and Understanding
	key points.	deep familiarity with the text; some as exact	Make comments about what they have heard
		repetition and some in their own words.	and ask questions to clarify their
	Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying		understanding.
	attention to how they sound.	Learn rhymes, poems and songs.	
			ELG Listening Attention and Understanding
au	Engage in non-fiction books.	Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to	Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-
e G		develop deep familiarity with new knowledge	forth exchanges with their teacher and peers.
Attenti	Contributes relevant comments in discussions.	and vocabulary.	
	Responds to a series of instructions and a	Can switch attention from one task to another.	
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_		Respond to discussions with comments and	
		questions.	
		Is able to listen in large group or whole school	
		activities such as assembly, recalling some of the	
		themes and comments at a later stage.	

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Use new vocabulary through the day.

Articulate their ideas and thoughts in wellformed sentences, communicating confidently with peers and adults.

Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives.

Uses talks to communicate needs, news, feelings and ideas.

Uses plurals and some tenses correctly. Asks questions to support their learning or understanding. Describe events in some detail.

Use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities, and to explain how things work and why them might happen.

Develop social phrases.

Enjoys being part of conversations and discussions and uses new vocabulary in context.

Use talk to support their imaginative play.

ELG Speaking

Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary.

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Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.

ELG Speaking

Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher.

Speaking