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Listening skills	Say a sound for each letter inthe alphabet and at least 10 digraphs. Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound- blending.	Apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words. Blend sounds in unfamiliar words using the GPCs that they have been taught. Respond speedily, giving the correct sound to graphemes for all of the 40+ phonemes. Read words containing taught GPCs. Read words containing -s, -es, -ing, -ed and - est endings. Read words with contractions, e.g. I'm, I'll and we'll.	Continue to apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words until automatic decoding has become embedded and reading is fluent. Read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain the graphemes taught so far, especially recognising alternative sounds for graphemes. Accurately read most words of two or more syllables. Read most words containing commonsuffixes.*	Use their phonic knowledge to decode quickly and accurately (may still need support to read longer unknown words). Apply their growing knowledge of root words and prefixes, including in-,im-,il-,ir-, dis-, mis-, un-, re-, sub-, inter-, super-, anti- and auto- to begin to read aloud. *Apply their growing knowledge of root words and suffixes/word endings, including - ation, -ly, - ous, -ture, - sure, -sion, - tion, - ssion and -cian, to begin to read aloud. *	Read most words fluently and attempt to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill. Apply their knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes/word endings to read aloud fluently. *	Read most words fluently and attempt to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill, recognising their meaning through contextual cues. Apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes/ word endings, including -sion, -tion, - cial, -tial, -ant/-ance/-ancy, - ent/- ence/-ency, - able/-ably and - ible/ibly, to read aloud fluently. *	Read fluently with full knowledge of all Y5/ Y6 exception words, root words, prefixes, suffixes/word endings* and to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill, recognising their meaning through contextual cues.



Following instructions	Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding appropriately even when engaged in activity, and show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions.	Understand instructions with more than one point in many situations.	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	Follow instructions in a range of unfamiliar situations.	Follow complex directions/multi-step instructions without the need for repetition.
	Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly.				





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Asking and answering questions	Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during wholeclass discussions and small group interactions. Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding. Offer explanations for why things happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non- fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.	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).	Show that they are following a conversation by asking relevant and timely questions. Answer questions using clear sentences. To begin to give reasoning behind their answers when prompted to do so.	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.	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.	Ask questions which deepen conversations and/or further their knowledge. Understand how to answer questions that require more detailed answers and justification.	Regularly ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge. Articulate and justify answers with confidence in a range of situations.





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Drama, performance and confidence	Be confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of a challenge. Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs. Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time to music.	Speak clearly in a way that is easy to understand. Speak in front of larger audiences, e.g.in a class assembly, during a show 'n' tell session. Know when it is their turn to speakin a small group presentation or play performance. Take part in a simple role play of a known story.	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 roleplay and discuss the character's feelings. 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 in 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. 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 therole of a character.	Participate confidently in a range of different performances, role play exercises and improvisations (including acting in role). Gain, maintain and monitor theinterest of the listener(s). Select and use appropriate registers for effective communication.





Vocabulary and building standard English	Participate in small group, classand one-to- one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary.	Use appropriate vocabulary to describe their immediate world and feelings. Think of alternatives for simple vocabulary choices.	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	Regularly use interesting adjectives,adverbial phrases and extended noun phrases in speech. Know and use language that is acceptable in formal and informal	Regularly use interesting adjectives, adverbial phrases and extended noun phrases in speech. Know and use language that is acceptable in formal and informal situations	Regularly use interesting adjectives,adverbial phrases and extended noun phrases in speech. Know and use language that is acceptable in formal and informal	Use relevant strategies to buildtheir vocabulary. Use adventurous and ambitious vocabulary in speech,which is always appropriate to
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experience. Stories/ texts that they read or listen to,building these words and phrases into their own talk in an appropriate way.	Speak audibly, luently and with ifull command of Standard English in ill situations. Use a broad, leep and rich tocabulary to liscuss abstract concepts and a wide range of opics. Confidently explain the meaning of words and offer liternative ynonyms.





Speaking for a range of purposes	Make comments about what theyhave heard and ask questions to clarify their meanings. Hold conversation when engaged in back-and- forth exchanges with their teacher and peers. Participate in small group, class and one-to- one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently	Organise their thoughts into sentences before expressing them. Describe their immediate world and environment. To retell simple stories and recounts aloud.	Talk about themselves clearly and confidently. Verbally recount experiences with some added interesting details. To offer ideas based on what hasbeen heard.	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.	Give descriptions, recounts and narrative retellings with specific details to actively engage listeners. Debate issues and make their opinions on topics clear. To adapt their ideas in response to new information.	Plan and present information clearly with ambitious added detail and description for thelistener. Participate in debates/arguments and use relevant details to support their opinions and adding humour where appropriate.	Communicate confidently across a range of contexts and to a range of audiences. Articulate and justify arguments and opinions with confidence. Give well- structured descriptions, explanations, presentations and narratives for different
	recently introduced vocabulary.						





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Offer						purposes,
explanations for						including for
why things might						expressing
happen, making						feelings.
use of recently						
introduced						Use spoken
vocabulary from						language to
stories, non-						develop
fiction, rhymes						understanding
and poems						through
where						speculating,
appropriate.						hypothesising,
						imagining and
Express their						exploring ideas.
ideas and						
feelings about						Make reference
their experiences						back to their
using full						originalthoughts
sentences,						when their opinions
including use of						have changed and
past, present						give reasons for
andfuture						their change of
tenses and						focus.
making use of						
conjunctions,						
with modelling						
and support from						
their teacher.						
Explain the						
reasons for						
rules, know						
right from						
wrong and try						
to behave						

accordingly.		 	



Demonstrate			
understanding of			
what has been			
read to them by			
retelling stories			
and narratives			
using their own			
words and			
recently			
introduced			
vocabulary.			
Use and			
understand			
recently			
introduced			
vocabulary			
during			
discussions			
about stories,			
non-fiction,			
rhymes and			
poems and			
during role play.			
Read aloud			
simple sentences			
and books that			
are consistent			





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with their phonic						
knowledge,						
including some						
common						
exception words.						
Talk about the						
lives of the						
people around						
them and their						
roles in society.						
Describe their						
immediate						
using knowledge						
from observation,						
discussion,						
stories, non-						
fiction texts						
and maps.						
and maps.						
Explain some						
similarities and						
differences						
between life in						
this country and						
life in other						
countries,						
drawing on						
knowledge from						
stories, non-						
fiction texts and						





(when appropriate) maps. Share their creations, explaining the processes they have used. Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher. Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time to music.				





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Participating in discussion	Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions, when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions. Hold conversation when engaged in back-and- forth exchanges with their teachers and peers. Participate in small group, class and one- to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary. Use and understand	Recognise when it is their turn to speak in a discussion. Recognise that different people will have different responses and that that these are as valuable as their own opinions and ideas.	Give enough detail to hold the interest of other participant(s) in a discussion. Engage in meaningful discussions that relate to differenttopic areas. Remain focused on a discussion when not directly involved and be able to recall the main points when questioned.	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.	Engage in discussions, making relevant points and ask for specific additional information or viewpoints from other participants. Begin to challenge opinions with respect. Engage in meaningful discussions in all areas of the curriculum.	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. Ask questions, offer suggestions, challenge ideas and give opinions in order to take an active part in discussions.	Maintain attention and participate actively in collaborative conversations, staying on topic andinitiating 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.



recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction,			
rhymes and poems and during role play.			