

EYFS Progression Map – Communication and Language

Children in Reception will be learning to:

- understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important
- learn new vocabulary
- use new vocabulary throughout the day
- ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them
- articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences
- connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives
- 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 they might happen
- develop social phrases
- engage in storytimes
- listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding
- retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text, some as exact repetition and some in their own words
- use new vocabulary in different contexts
- engage in non-fiction books
- listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary
- listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound
- learn rhymes, poems and songs