

Speaking and Listening: Whole-School Curriculum Progression of Skills Map

These are the speaking and listening skills we want our pupils to develop throughout their time at Durham Lane Primary School. Some of these skills (highlighted) will be taught by the teacher modelling, questioning and talking with pupils or through other areas of the curriculum e.g.writing, but other skills will be taught explicitly through planned activities (please refer to our speaking and listening scheme of work).

Objective	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Years 3/4	Years 5/6
To listen and	Understand a	Understand how to	To look at the person	To understand	To listen to	To understand
respond	question or	listen carefully and	who is talking to them.	complex 2 or 3 part	information, work out	different types of
appropriately to	instruction that has	why listening is		instructions including	what is the important	questions – open,
adults and their	two parts, such as	important.	To follow instructions	more	information they need	closed, rhetorical.
peers	"Get your coat and		whilst busy with	abstract/imaginative	to convey to their	
	wait at the door."		another task.	situations e.g. choose a	audience.	To understand
				character from one		sarcasm.
	Enjoy listening to		To be able to follow 2	story, talk to your	To be specific when	
	longer stories and can		to 3 part spoken	partner about how they	asking for	To understand and
	remember much of		instructions e.g. get	feel at the end of the	clarification.	use phrasal verbs
	what happens.		your coat, then choose	story.		appropriately e.g.
			a partner and line up by		To infer meanings and	'putting up with'.
	Understand 'why'		the door.	To understand key	make predictions from	
	questions, like: "Why			points they need to	what's said and how it	To understand and
	do you think the		To understand how or	focus on in order to	is said.	enjoy jokes and
	caterpillar got so		why type questions.	answer a question or		recognise simple
	fat?"			follow an instruction		idioms.
	Know many rhymes,					
	be able to talk about					
	familiar books, and					

To ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge	be able to tell a long story. Can pay attention to more than one thing at a time, which can be difficult.	Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them. 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. Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding.	To understand and answer how, what and why questions, with obvious, straightforward answers.	To ask lots of questions to find out specific information including how and why. To 'dig deeper' when questioning others to extend their knowledge. To respond appropriately to the answers to their questions.	To ask question to seek additional information for clarification. To begin to understand that there is a logical sequence to asking questions.	To understand and use different question types i.e. open / closed/ rhetorical. To keep conversations going with a range of people by asking relevant questions relating to the previous remark
To use relevant strategies to build their vocabulary	Use a wider range of vocabulary	Learn new vocabulary and use new vocabulary through the day. Listen to and talk about selected non- fiction to develop a deep familiarity with	To understand that words can be put into categories e.g. animals, transport, characters. To recognise objects, characters and animals from a description.	To begin to choose from a range of imaginative and descriptive words in sentences. To be able to infer what a new word means by context.	To use dictionaries and thesaurus, word study, clines, collocations etc. to make better word choices.	To explore sophisticated vocabulary that has multiple meanings and use mostly accurately but with occasional error. To be able to select the most appropriate

		new knowledge and vocabulary. Use new vocabulary in different contexts.	To use words more specifically to make their meaning clear.	To be able to use classroom resources to support language choices		resource to support vocabulary choices.
To articulate and justify answers, arguments and opinions		Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives.	To show that they can use language to reason and persuade e.g. 'I thinkbecause'	To use more complicated grammar including using different ways to join phrases to help explain and justify ideas/events or opinions e.g. because, so, then.	To use language for a range of different reasons e.g. complimenting, clarifying, explaining, justifying, criticising, negotiating etc. To link points made with appropriate conjunctions and connecting phrases to provide a coherent thread.	To negotiate an agreement explaining other possible outcomes and options. To realise when people don't understand fully and try to help them e.g. offering clarification.
To give well- structured descriptions, explanations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings	To talk about their feelings using words like 'happy', 'sad', 'angry' or 'worried'.	Engage in story times. Describe events in some detail. 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.	To list events with some detail. To retell favourite stories. To describe events. These may not always be joined together or in the correct order.	To describe their own experiences in detail and in the correct order. To tell a story with important key components in place. To use conjunctions to link their ideas together.	To select appropriate detail and chronology to include in their descriptions, explanations, narratives and becoming increasingly aware of the need for brevity or extension.	To tell elaborate entertaining stories which are full of detailed descriptions. To use appropriate language that is detailed to describe experiences that may have happened some time ago or are planned for the future making verb choices that accurately reflect the time-frame.
To maintain attention and participate actively in collaborative	Can start a conversation with an adult or a friend and	Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding.	To start conversations with other people and join in with group conversations listening	To take turns to talk, listen and respond in two-way conversations and groups.	To vary the tone of their voices to make story telling exciting and come to life.	To manage and organise collaborative tasks with little adult supervision.

conversations,	continue it for many		and responding to ideas			
staying on topic and initiating and responding to comments.	turns.		expressed by others.		To understand the interests of the listener, e.g. 'guess who I saw yesterday'	To use appropriate expression and tone for the purpose and the audience.
To use spoken language to develop understanding through speculating, hypothesising, imagining and exploring ideas	Use longer sentences of four to six words.	Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound. Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives. Engage in nonfiction books. Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.	To use longer or more complicated details within their speech to organise, sequence and clarify thinking, ideas, feelings and events.	To use language to communicate a wider range of concepts such as ask, negotiate, give opinions and discuss feelings and ideas.	To select and use appropriate language for a range of people in different situations. This is important for building friendships, e.g. complimenting or criticising, clarifying and negotiating.	To use speculative and hypothetical language to explore a range of ideas and situations. To negotiate an agreement explaining other options and possible outcomes.
To speak audibly and fluently with an increasing command of Standard English	Develop their communication, but may continue to have problems with irregular tenses and plurals, such as 'runned' for 'ran', 'swimmed' for 'swam'. May have problems saying: - some sounds: r, j, th, ch, and sh and	Develop social phrases. Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives. Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences.	To produce speech that is clear and easy to understand, though may have some immaturities e.g. pronunciation of certain sounds and some grammatical errors.	To use speech that is usually clear and easily understood by others. To have a growing awareness of grammatically accurate Standard English.	To use grammatically accurate standard English. To recognise the difference between formal and informal language.	To select and use sophisticated language patterns and structures including in formal situations, demonstrating a good command of Standard English.

	multisyllabic words					
	such as 'pterodactyl',					
	'planetarium' or					
	'hippopotamus'					
To participate in	Be able to express a	Learn rhymes,	To join in and organise	To use an imaginative	To speak clearly,	To participate
discussions,	point of view and to	poems and songs.	role play with friends.	range of descriptive	fluently and accurately	confidently in debate,
presentations,	debate when they	Engage in non-		words when engaged	in a range of	understanding and
performances, role	disagree with an adult	fiction books.	To play cooperatively	in role play.	collaborative situations	sustaining the
play,	or a friend, using		and pretend to be		offering relevant	conversations and
improvisations and	words as well as	Retell the story, once	someone else talking.	To use speech that is	contributions to the	demonstrating a range
debates	actions.	they have developed		consistently clear and	task.	of debating skills.
		a deep familiarity	To re-tell favourite	easy to understand		
	Use talk to organise	with the text; some	stories.	when presenting to	To vary tone of voice	To instigate,
	themselves and their	as exact repetition		others.	to make role	participate and
	play: "Let's go on a	and some in their			play/information more	improvise
	bus you sit there.	own words.			exciting.	appropriately in
	I'll be the driver."	Participate in small				collaborative tasks.
		group, class and one-				
		to-one discussions,				
		offering their own				
		ideas, using recently				
		introduced				
		vocabulary.	T	T 1 1 1 1	TD 11.1 . 11. 1	TD 11 1 1
To gain, maintain		Retell the story, once	To initiate	To begin to be aware	To add detail or leave	To tell elaborate
and monitor the interest of the		they have developed	conversations with	of what the listener	information out	entertaining stories
listener(s)		a deep familiarity with the text; some	others, understanding they need to look at the	knows already and make checks while	according to how much is already known	using expression and tone of voice to
insteller(s)		as exact repetition	audience when they are	telling the story.	by the listener.	engage the listener.
		and some in their	speaking. To give	tening the story.	To understand the	To incorporate detail
		own words.	details that they know	To take turns to talk,	interests of the listener	to engage and inform
		own words.	are important and will	listen and respond in	and respond	the listener across
		Hold conversation	influence the listener.	two-way conversations	appropriately.	tasks that aren't
		when engaged in	miracines the instance.	and groups.	appropriatory.	always
		back-and-forth		and groups.		straightforward
		exchanges with their				chronologies e.g.
		teacher and peers.				aside, flashback,
		•				counter-argument etc.
To consider and	To talk with others	Use talk to help	To listen to others,	To listen carefully to	To join in discussions	To explore and
evaluate different	to solve conflicts.	work out problems	taking account of their	others, asking lots of	using appropriate and	explain situations and
viewpoints,		and organise	opinions.	questions to find out	relevant vocabulary.	concepts to identify
attending to and		thinking and		specific information		and evaluate the

building on the contributions of others.	activities explain how things work and why they might happen	To take turns to speak to and with others.	including 'how' and 'why'. To begin to recognise and value the opinions of others.	To keep conversations going with a range of people by making relevant comments or by asking questions and acknowledging other viewpoints.	merits of other options and possible outcomes. To negotiate agreement by sharing ideas and information, giving and receiving advice, offering an opinion and taking notice of the opinion of others.
To select and use appropriate registers for effective communication.	Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as exact repetition and some in their own words.	To use words more specifically to make their meaning clear. To show some awareness of appropriate language choices in school as opposed to home e.g. 'loo'/toilet.	To use language they hear other people using and begin to be aware of current peer language. To begin to understand that they need to use different styles of talk with different people.	To use formal or informal language where appropriate in familiar situations to ensure the listener understands	To select and use the appropriate formality of language depending on the audience. To explain features of own and others' language use, showing understanding of the effect of varying language for different purposes and situations.