Progression in skills at Cowling

EYFS

| | Links to ks1 curriculum | Minimum expectations for reception | | | Minimum Expectations for nursery | | |
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| Listening, attention and understan ding | Spoken Language: Maintain attention and participate actively in collaborative conversations, staying on topic and initiating and responding to comments Listen and respond appropriately to adults and their peers Ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge | Engages in story time, building familiarity and understanding | Listens to longer stories and is beginning to explain what is read to them, answering questions (See Literacy PM) | | Enjoys listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens | Enjoys listening to longer stories and can remember some of what happens | Listens to simple stories with a picture stimulus |
| | | Asks questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them | Can answer a wide variety of questions independently | Understands 'how' | and 'why' questions Understands 'who, what, where, when,' questions | | Is beginning to understand how to answer questions |
| | | Learns new vocabulary Understands how to listen carefully and why listening is important | Can listen to their friends and teachers for prolonged periods of time | Can listen to their friends and teachers for short periods of time | Listens when interested in the conversation but loses focus easily and oth | | Is beginning to listen to adults and other children |
| | | | Listens carefully to rhymes and songs | | Listens to rhymes and songs | | |
| | | | Can shift their focus between two things at a time | Can focus their attention on one thing at a time | | Is beginning to focus their attention for longer periods of time | Can focus their attention for a short period of time |
| | | | Follows an instruction with more than two parts | Follows an instruction with two parts | | Follows a simple instruction | Follows a simple instruction with support and modelling |
| Speaking | Spoken Language: Participate in discussions, presentations, performances, role play, | Can recite rhymes, poems and songs independently | Can recite rhymes, poems and songs in a group | Learns rhymes, poems and songs | Sings a large repertoire of songs | Can sing a selection of songs | Joins in with singing nursery rhymes |

| | improvisations and debates | Retells their own stories | Retells stories with some repetition | Tells longer stories | | Tells short stories | Talks about familiar books |
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| | Spoken Language: Speak audibly and fluently with an increasing command of Standard English | Usually speaks using the correct tense | | Has issues with some irregular tenses and plurals | | | |
| | | Speaks clearly, saying multisyllabic words and enunciating many speech sounds correctly | | Not yet able to say 'r, j, th, ch, sh' and multisyllabic words | | Struggles to say 'qu, f, g, t, w, k' as initial/medial sounds | |
| | | Articulates their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences, using connectives Explains how things work and why they might happen | Is beginning to speak using sentences of 6+ words and beginning to use conjunctions like 'and', 'but' and 'so' | Uses sentences of 4-6 words | | Is able to communicate using between 1-3 words | Communicates with survival language and with 1 or 2 words at a time |
| | Spoken Language: Articulate and justify answers, arguments and opinions | | ork out problems and o | erganise thinking Expresses a point of view and debates when they disagree | | Children can articulate what they do and don't like | |
| | Spoken Language: Give well-structured descriptions, explanations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings | Describes events in some detail | Has a long conversation with an adult or friend, switching from topic to topic | Has a long conversation with an adult or friend | Starts a conversation with an adult or friend and continues it | Starts a conversation with an adult or friend | Responds to friends or adults |
| | Spoken Language: Use relevant strategies to build their vocabulary | Develops social phrases Uses new vocabulary in different contexts | Uses and demonstrates new vocabulary in daily conversation | Uses talk to organise themselves and their play Uses a wider range of vocabulary | | Uses talk within their own play | Uses talk to communicate specific needs |