



Communication and Language

Skills Progression for Listening, Attention and Understanding

	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
Foundation 1 Listening, Attention and Understanding	Children will point out objects/pictures in a story.	Children will understand 'what' questions.	Children will understand 'where' questions.	Children will understand 'when' questions.	Children will understand 'who' questions.	Children will understand and answer 'why' questions.
	Stage 7	Stage 8	Stage 9	Stage 10	Stage 11	Stage 12
	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
Foundation 2 Listening, Attention and Understanding	Children will listen carefully to a story. To understand how to listen carefully To understand why listening is important To be able to follow directions Children will ask what questions.	Children will join in with repeated refrains in a story. Children will ask who questions about their celebration learning To respond to instructions with more than one step	Children will talk about key events in a story. Children will ask where questions about their all about the world learning To understand a range of complex sentence structures	Children will identify the main characters in the story and talk about their feelings. Children will ask when questions.	Children will link events in a story to their own experiences. Children will ask why questions. To follow a story without pictures or props	To understand questions such as who, what, where, when, why and how by 'hot seating' characters from a story.