

Nursery Communication and Language Curriculum



Baseline	Autumn	Spring	Summer
✓ Listens to songs and sometimes joins in. ✓ Uses 3 or 4 words in a sentence accurately to communicate. ✓ Uses words relating to their play in their play. ✓ Shows an interest in stories and beginning to speak about what they can see in the pictures. ✓ Shows an interest in Nursery rhymes. ✓ Understands a 1 step instruction. ✓ Answers a simple question e.g. what's your name?	✓ Listens to and joins in with a song. ✓ Learns and uses new words and vocabulary about our current learning focus. ✓ Begins to use simple sentences to communicate. ✓ Begins to use these new words in their play. ✓ Beginning to listen to stories. ✓ Knows and sings up to 2 Nursery Rhymes or songs. ✓ Beginning to understand simple instructions.	✓ Listens to a short story. ✓ Learns and uses new words and vocabulary about our current learning focus. ✓ Uses simple sentences to communicate. ✓ Uses these new words in their play. ✓ Beginning to share their own opinions. ✓ Beginning to answer simple recall questions about what they have heard. ✓ Listens to stories. ✓ Knows and sings up to 4 Nursery Rhymes or songs. ✓ Begins to join in with repeated phrases and anticipates key events in familiar stories. ✓ To begin to start or be involved with a short conversation with a friend or familiar adult. ✓ Understands a 1-part instruction. ✓ Responds to simple questions. ✓ Beginning to respond to simple 'why' questions (may sometimes be incorrect).	✓ Listen to a story and a discussion in a smaller or larger group discussion. ✓ Learns and uses new words and vocabulary about our current learning focus. ✓ Uses and speaks in sentences with up to 6 words. ✓ When speaking in these sentences, may sometimes use the wrong tense and plural. ✓ Develops pronunciation but may still have problems saying simple sounds or long words. ✓ Shares their own opinion saying whether they agree or not. ✓ Answers simple recall questions about what they have heard. ✓ Enjoys listening to and joins in with stories. ✓ Knows and sings up to 6 Nursery Rhymes or songs. ✓ Joins in with repeated phrases and anticipates key events in familiar stories. ✓ To start or be involved with a short conversation with a friend or familiar adult. ✓ Uses simple sentences (up to 6 words) to organise themselves and their friends within their play. ✓ Understand and follow a 2-part instruction. ✓ Understands and responds to a simple 'why' question.

At the end of Nursery

- ✓ Listen to a story and a discussion in a smaller or larger group discussion.
- ✓ Enjoys listening to and joins in with stories.

- ✓ Answers simple recall questions about what they have heard.
- ✓ Learns and uses new words and vocabulary about our current learning focus.
- ✓ Uses these new words in their play.
- ✓ Uses and speaks in sentences with up to 6 words.
- ✓ When speaking in these sentences, may sometimes use the wrong tense and plural.
- ✓ Develops pronunciation but may still have problems saying simple sounds or long words.
- ✓ Knows and sings up to 6 Nursery Rhymes or songs.
- ✓ Joins in with repeated phrases and anticipates key events in familiar stories.
- ✓ Re-tells a simple story using beginning, middle and end.
- ✓ To start or be involved with a short conversation with a friend or familiar adult.
- ✓ Uses simple sentences (up to 6 words) to organise themselves and their friends within their play.

- ✓ Understand and follow a 2-part instruction.
- ✓ Understands and responds to a simple 'why' question.
- ✓ Understands and responds to simple questions.