

# Progression across the strands for EYFS **Literacy**

Communication and Language	Nursery (Range 4)	Reception (Range 5/6)	ELG (End of Reception Year
(Oracy skills)	*From 'Birth to Five Matters'		expected attainment)
Listening, Attention and	Listens with interest to the noises	Listens to others in one-to-one or	Children at the expected level of
Understanding	adults make when they read stories	small groups, when conversation interests them	development will:
	Recognises and responds to many	Listens to familiar stories with	Listen attentively and respond to
	familiar sounds, e.g. turning to a knock on the door, looking at or	increasing attention and recall	what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions
	going to the door	Joins in with repeated refrains and anticipates key events and phrases	when being read to and during whole class discussions and small
	Shows interest in play with sounds, songs and rhymes	in rhymes and stories	group interactions;
	,	Focusing attention – can still listen	Make comments about what they
	Single channelled attention; can	or do, but can change their own	have heard and ask questions to
	shift to a different task if attention fully obtained – using child's name	focus of attention	clarify their understanding;
	helps focus	Is able to follow directions (if not intently focused)	Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-forth exchanges with their
	Beginning to understand more	, ,	teacher and peers
	complex sentences .e.g. Put your	Shows understanding of	
	toys away and then sit on the carpet	prepositions such as under, on top, behind by carrying out an action or	
	Understands who, what, where in	selecting correct picture	
	simple questions (e.g. Who's that?		
	Who can? What's that? Where is?)	Responds to instructions with more	
		elements, e.g. Give the big ball to	
	Developing understanding of	me; collect up all the blocks and put	
	simple concepts (e.g. fast/slow, good/bad)	them in the box	
		Beginning to understand why and how questions	
Speaking	Uses language to share feelings,	Beginning to use more complex	Children at the expected level of
	experiences and thoughts	sentences to link thoughts (e.g.	development will:
		using and, because)	



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Holds a conversation, jumping from	Able to use language in recalling	Participate in small group, class and
topic to topic	past experiences	one-to-one discussions, offering
		their own ideas, using recently
Learns new words very rapidly and	Can retell a simple past event in	introduced vocabulary;
is able to use them in	correct order (e.g. went down slide,	
communicating	hurt finger)	Offer explanations for why things
		might happen, making use of
Uses a variety of questions (e.g.	Uses talk to explain what is	recently introduced vocabulary
what, where, who)	happening and anticipate what	from stories, non-fiction, rhymes
	might happen next	and poems when appropriate;
Uses longer sentences (e.g. Mummy		
gonna work)	Questions why things happen and	Express their ideas and feelings
	gives explanations. Asks e.g. who,	about their experiences using full
Beginning to use word endings (e.g.	what, when, how	sentences, including use of past,
going, cats)		present and future tenses and
	Beginning to use a range of tenses	making use of conjunctions, with
	(e.g. play, playing, will play, played)	modelling and support from their
		teacher.
	Continues to make some errors in	
	language (e.g. runned) and will	
	absorb and use language they hear	
	around them in their community	
	and culture	
	and careare	
	Uses intonation, rhythm and	
	phrasing to make the meaning clear	
	to others	
	to others	
	Talks more extensively about things	
	that are of particular importance to	
	them	
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	Builds up vocabulary that reflects	
	the breadth of their experiences	
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		Uses talk in pretending that objects	
		stand for something else in play,	
		e.g. This box is my castle	
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Comprehension		Talks about events and principal	Children at the expected level of
		characters in stories and suggests	development will: Demonstrate
		how the story might end	understanding of what has been
			read to them by retelling stories and
			narratives using their own words
			and recently introduced vocabulary;
			Anticipate – where appropriate –
			key events in stories;
			Use and understand recently
			introduced vocabulary during
			discussions about stories, non-
			fiction, rhymes and poems and
			during role-play
Word Reading	Has some favourite stories, rhymes,	Listens to and joins in with stories	Children at the expected level of
	songs, poems or jingles	and poems, when reading one-to-	development will:
		one and in small groups	Say a sound for each letter in the
	Repeats and uses actions, words or		alphabet and at least 10 digraphs;
	phrases from familiar stories	Joins in with repeated refrains and	
		anticipates key events and phrases	Read words consistent with their
	Fills in the missing word or phrase in	in rhymes and stories	phonic knowledge by sound-
	a known rhyme, story or game, e.g.	Paris to have a second that	blending;
	Humpty Dumpty sat on a	Begins to be aware of the way	Dood pland simple contones and
	Paging to recognise familiar leggs	stories are structured, and to tell own stories	Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their
	Begins to recognise familiar logos from children's popular culture,	Own stories	
	commercial print or icons for apps		phonic knowledge, including some
	commercial print of icons for apps		common exception words.

	Enjoys rhythmic and musical	Shows interest in illustrations and	
	activity with percussion	words in print and digital books and	
	instruments, actions, rhymes and	words in the environment	
		Recognises familiar words and signs	
		such as own name, advertising logos	
		and screen icons	
		Looks at and enjoys print and digital	
		books independently	
Writing	Distinguishes between the different	Makes up stories, play scenarios,	Children at the expected level of
	marks they make	and drawings in response to	development will:
		experiences, such as outings	
	Enjoys drawing and writing on		Write recognisable letters, most of
	paper, on screen and on different	Sometimes gives meaning to their	which are correctly formed;
	textures, such as in sand or	drawings and paintings	
	playdough and through using touch-		Spell words by identifying sounds in
	screen technology	Ascribes meanings to signs, symbols	them and representing the sounds
		and words that they see in different	with a letter or letters;
		places, including those they make	
		themselves	Write simple phrases and sentences
			that can be read by others.
		Includes mark making and early	
		writing in their play	
		Imitates adults' writing by making	
		continuous lines of shapes and	
		symbols (early writing) from left to	
		right	
		Attempts to write their own name,	
		or other names and words, using	
		combinations of lines, circles and	
		curves, or letter-type shapes	
		Shows interest in letters on a	
		keyboard, identifying the initial	



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	letter of their own name and other
	familiar words
	Begins to make letter-type shapes
	to represent the initial sound of
	their name and other familiar words



# Progression across the strands for EYFS Understanding the World – EYFS (covers History, Geography, Science, RE)

UTW	Nursery	Reception	ELG (End of Reception Year
			expected attainment)
Past and Present	Has a sense of own immediate	Talks about past and present events	Children at the expected level of
	family, relations and pets.	in their own lives and that of family	development will: - Talk about the
		members.	lives of the people around them and
			their roles in society; - Know some
			similarities and differences between
			things in the past and now, drawing
			on their experiences and what has
			been read in class; - Understand the
			past through settings, characters
			and events encountered in books
			read in class and storytelling.
People, Culture and communities	Imitate everyday actions and events	Joins in with family customs and	Describe their immediate
	from own family and cultural	routines.	environment using knowledge from
	background. (Through play)		observation, discussion, stories,
		Talks about significant events in	non-fiction texts and maps; - Know
		their own experiences.	some similarities and differences
			between different religious and
		Shows an interest in different	cultural communities in this
		occupations and ways of life	country, drawing on their
		(indoors and outdoors)	experiences and what has been
			read in class; - Explain some
	Similarities and differences that	Knows some of the things that make	similarities and differences between
	connect them to, and distinguish	them unique-talks about similarities	life in this country and life in other
	them from, others.	and differences in relation to friends	countries, drawing on knowledge
		and family.	from stories, non-fiction texts and –
			when appropriate – maps.
The Natural World	Notices detailed features of objects	Comments and asks questions	Explore the natural world around
	in their environment.	about aspects of their familiar world	them, making observations and
		such as the place where they live or	drawing pictures of animals and
	Talk about their observations of	the natural world.	plants; 15 - Know some similarities
	plants, animals, natural and found		and differences between the natural
	objects.		world around them and contrasting



	Talks about why things happen and	environments, drawing on their
	how things work	experiences and what has been
		read in class; - Understand some
	Developing an understanding of	important processes and changes in
	growth, decay and changes over	the natural world around them,
	time	including the seasons and changing
		states of matter.
Uses small world play based on first-	Shows care and concern for living	
hand experiences, e.g, visiting	things and the environment	
farms, train tracks, walking rivers		
etc.	Begin to understand the effect their	
	behaviour can have on the	
	environment	

#### Understanding the World – EYFS (Technology)

Although this has been removed as an ELG children will still be introduced to appropriate technology within the provision



*From 'Birth to Five Matters'	Nursery	Reception	ELG (End of Reception Year expected attainment)
Technology	Seeks to acquire basic skills in turning on and operating some digital equipment	Can navigate touch-capable technology (with support)	
	Operates mechanical toys, e.g. turns the knob on a wind-up toy or pulls back on a friction car	Shows skill in making toys work by pressing parts or lifting flaps to achieve effects such as sound, movements or new images	None None
	Plays with water to investigate "low technology" such as washing and cleaning	Knows that information can be retrieved from digital devices and the internet	
	Uses pipes, funnels and other tools to carry/ transport water from one place to another.	Plays with a range of materials to learn cause and effect, for example, makes a string puppet using dowels and string to suspend the puppet.	
		Completes a simple program on electronic device.	
		Uses ICT hardware to interact with age appropriate computer software.	
		Can create content such as a video recording, stories and/or draw a picture on a screen.	
		Can use the internet with adult supervision to find and retrieve information that is of use to them.	



# Progression across the strands for EYFS Expressive Art and Design

Expressive Art and Design	Nursery (Range 4) *From 'Birth to Five Matters'	Reception (Range 5/6)	ELG (End of Reception Year expected attainment)
Creating with materials (Music/Singing)	Joins in singing songs Creates sounds by rubbing, shaking, tapping, striking or blowing	Explores and learns how sounds and movements can be changed  Continues to explore moving in a	Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function; -
	Shows an interest in the way sound	range of ways, e.g. mirroring,	·
	makers and instruments sound and experiments with ways of playing	creating own movement patterns	Share their creations, explaining the process they have used;
	them, e.g. loud/quiet, fast/slow	Enjoys joining in with moving,	
		dancing and ring games	Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in
		Sings familiar songs, e.g. pop songs, songs from TV programmes,	narratives and stories
		rhymes, songs from home	
		Taps out simple repeated rhythms	
		Develops an understanding of how to create and use sounds intentionally.	
		Begins to build a collection of songs and dances	
		Makes music in a range of ways, e.g. plays with sounds creatively, plays along to the beat of the song they are singing or music they are listening to	
Creating with materials (Art/DT)	Experiments with ways to enclose a space, create shapes and represent actions, sounds and objects	Continues to explore colour and how colours can be changed	

	Enjoys and responds to playing with colour in a variety of ways, for example combining colours  Uses 3D and 2D structures to explore materials and/or to express ideas	Develops an understanding of using lines to enclose a space, and begins to use drawing to represent actions and objects based on imagination, observation and experience  Uses various construction materials, e.g. joining pieces, stacking vertically and horizontally, balancing, making enclosures and creating spaces  Uses tools for a purpose	
		Develops their own ideas through experimentation with diverse materials, e.g. light, projected image, loose parts, watercolours, powder paint, to express and communicate their discoveries and understanding.	
Being imaginative and Expressive (Music/Singing)	Begins to make believe by pretending using sounds, movements, words, objects Beginning to describe sounds and music imaginatively, e.g. scary music	Uses movement and sounds to express experiences, expertise, ideas and feelings  Experiments and creates movement in response to music, stories and ideas	Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher;  Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs;
	Creates rhythmic sounds and movements	Sings to self and makes up simple songs  Creates sounds, movements, drawings to accompany stories	Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music.

Being imaginative and Expressive (Art/DT)  Uses everyday mat understand and rep world – their ideas, fascinations	nt their drawings to accompany stories.
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