



English Vocabulary Progression of Skills

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Phonics/ Reading	Orally rehearsing sounds Recognising rhymes Print Letters of the alphabet	Phonics Phase 1-4 High Frequency Phase words by sight (up to Phase 5) sounds, digraph, trigraph, Phonics, blending, sound buttons, poem	Phonics Phase up to 5 Use of High Frequency Phase words by sight Digraph, trigraph, split digraph, blending, sound buttons, title, contents, picture, blurb, character	Title, contents, picture, blurb, index, glossary, character, structure, setting, predict, text
Writing/ Spelling/ Sight words	Letters of the alphabet Name	High Frequency words associated with each phonics phase (up to Phase 4)	Year 1 Common Exception words and High Frequency words associated with each phonics phase (Up to Phase 5)	Year 2 Common Exception words
SPAG/ Writing	Letters of the alphabet Name	Sentence, finger space, full stop, question mark, story, letter, label, speech bubbles, instructions, character description, fact file	letter, capital letter, word, singular, plural sentence, a full stop, question mark, exclamation mark, adjective, joining word, poem, fairy tale, rhyme, non fiction, retell, traditional tales, phrases, captions, lists, labels, diary writing, time words, question words	noun, noun phrase, compound, suffix, adjective, adverb, verb tense (past, present) apostrophe, comma statement, question, exclamation, command, contraction, prefix, suffix, conjunction, narrative, recount, letter, persuasive writing, instruction, syllable, non fiction, poetry, story, traditional tales, editing, spelling, singular and plurals, grammar, punctuation, time words, question words

Communication/ Speaking and Listening	Why, two part questions, Use talk to organise themselves and their play: "Let's go on a bus... you sit there... I'll be the driver."	How, Why, because		
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