## Killigrew Primary and Nursery School Spoken Language Skills Progression



	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Talking	Speaks to a	Confidently	Starts a	Takes turns to talk, listen, and		Gives more detail if		Able to talk through problems with
to	familiar adult	speaks to	conversation.	respond in two-way		needed based on		peers and suggest different
others	about own	others about	Takes part in	conversations and in a group.		nonverbal cues.		solutions.
	needs,	own needs,	group	Keeps to a topic but can be		Leaves information out		Explains information in different
	wants,	wants,	conversations.	prompted to n	nove on.	if it is already known by		ways.
	interests	interests and	Uses language to	Copies others'	language to gain	the listener.		Able to stay on one topic of
	and	opinions.	ask questions and	agreement.		Does not repeat ideas		conversation for longer periods.
	opinions.		give opinions.	Begins to be a	ware of what the	unless this is deliberate		Considers all the points and
		Speaks in a	Talks about their	listener alread	y knows and	for emphas	sis.	references before moving sensibly
	Speaks to	familiar group	ideas and	checks their ur	nderstanding	Uses tone of voice, stress on words and		from one topic to another.
	their peers	and talks	feelings.	using visual clu	ies.			Builds an argument to persuade and
	about their	about their	Uses longer	Starts to use e	xaggeration to	gestures naturally to add		responds to views different to own.
	ideas.	ideas.	sentences linked	add interest.  Varies talk depending on audience and situation.  Uses nonverbal signals to show interest and prompt  o  m Co		meaning.		Separates fact from opinion when
			with a			Communicates		reading.
	Expresses	Explains when	conjunction.			successfull	y by sharing	Makes inferences.
	their feelings	they do	Manages			ideas and ii	nformation	Asks for help in a specific way.
	in complete	or don't need	collaborative			Offers own	opinion and	Works collaboratively for extended
	sentences.	help.	tasks with adult			takes notic	e of the	periods without adult support.
			support.	Uses language		opinion of	others.	
	Explains	Expresses		reasons (comp	limenting &	Re-words t	alk in a	
	what help	feelings about		negotiating).		different w	ay to	
	they need.	experiences		Manages colla	borative tasks	negotiate o	difficulties.	
		using full		with occasiona	ıl adult	Uses comp	lex joining	
		sentences		intervention.		words in ta	ılk.	
		including use				Negotiates	agreement	
		of correct					ng alternative	
		tenses.				outcomes	and solutions	
						_	ollaborative	
		Explains why				tasks with	limited adult	
		things happen				support.		
		using recently						

		introduced						
		vocabulary.	v .	V -		V -		W. C
		Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Talking	Uses simple	Uses language	Knows to look at	Focuses on key	•		er meaning,	Follows longer instructions that are
with	language	to imagine and	who is talking	instruction or a question with		reasons and make sensible assumptions		not familiar.
others	within role.	recreate roles	and think about		little distraction.		•	Understands different question
		and	what they are	Is aware when			alk of others.	types and responds appropriately
	Holds a	experiences in	saying.				with a direct	Is aware that words can be used
	conversation	play situations.	Understands and	for explanation		question to	•	incorrectly as part of common
	in a short		responds to 2 to 3	Understands m	•	information.		speech and that this is different to a
	exchange	Uses talk to	part spoken	to 3 part instru		Summarises the most important points of a lesson or discussion.		mistake.
	back and	organise,	instructions.	Asks questions				
	forth.	sequence and	Can answer a	specific inform				
		clarify	'How' or 'Why'	Uses a range o	•	Sustains active listening		
		thinking,	question.	•	·		said, and the	
		ideas, feelings	Listens to a	• • • •		way it is said.		
		and events.	question and	follow up questions or a		Explores and uses		
			focuses on the	clarifying statement.		different q		
		Holds a	key information			openers in		
		conversation	needed to	makes relevant, related		consider, a	•	
		when engaged	answer the	comments.		interpret, s		
		in back-and –	question.	haven't understood.		and visualise. Understands what		
		forth						
		exchanges					s required to	
		with their				answer the	ese type of	
		teacher and				questions.		
		peers.					tion openers	
							ate a text or	
		Makes				visual stimi	ulus.	
		comments						
		about what						
		they have						
		heard and ask						
		questions to						
		clarify						
		understanding.						

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Talking	Hears some	Hears and says	Understands a	Compares	Uses a range	Sentences average about		Sentences average 7 – 13 words.
about	taught initial	the initial	range of words to	common	of words	7 to 10 words - longer in		Uses and understands instruction
words	sounds in	sound in	describe time.	homophones.	related to time	stories than in		words: modify, generate, consider,
	words.	words.	Knows words can	Guesses a	and	conversation	n <b>.</b>	analyse, differentiate, visualise,
			be grouped and	word from	measurement.	Uses long a	nd complex	empathise, justify.
	Uses some	Segments the	can give common	clues.	Uses a range	sentence st	ructures	Uses suffix and prefix words
	familiar	sounds in	examples.	Gives others	of verbs to	Uses questi	ons to help	accurately in conversation.
	words from	simple words	Uses words more	clues using	express their	conversatio	ns flow.	Uses 'academic' or tier 3 words
	well-known	and blends	specifically to	shape, size &	thoughts.	Knows whe	n a sentence	when prompted in formal tasks.
	texts.	them	make the	function.	Uses topic	is not gramr	matically	Explains the meaning of words with
		together.	meaning clear.	Uses new	specific	correct and		multiple meaning.
	Starts to		Uses well-formed	words	vocabulary	rules of gran		Uses a wide range of tier 2 words
	notice rhyme	Uses	sentences with	appropriately.	independently.	Makes choic		from different word class groups.
	in words.	vocabulary	only a few errors	Asks	Uses	wide and varied		Uses a range of tier 2 conjunctions
		and forms of	linked to verb	questions to	multisyllabic	vocabulary.		to make complex sentences.
		speech that	tense and	find out	words	Rehearses sophisticated		Tells complex narratives, ensuring
		are	formation.	specific	confidently.	words and makes		the listener understands the thread
		increasingly	Joins phrases	information.	Uses regular	increasing use of tier 2		of the story throughout.
		influenced by	with simple	Uses	and irregular	vocabulary.		Knows when and why a sentence is
		their	conjunctions.	different	words	Knows that words can		not grammatically correct.
		experiences of	Can answer	ways to join	correctly.	have two m		Understands the function of word
		books.	questions about a	phrases to	Uses words	dependent	on their	class to support meaning.
			recent event. Has	help explain	and sentences	word class.		Discusses an author's possible
		Extends	a few simple	or justify an	to clarify,	Uses intona		viewpoint, explaining and justifying
		vocabulary,	words to describe	event.	summarise,	on grammaı	r cues.	their interpretation.
		especially by	shape, texture	Speech is	explain and			Explains the use of unusual
		grouping,	and size.	clear, with	plan.			language choices and effects and
		naming and	Mostly	only				comments on how this influences
		exploring the	pronounces	occasional				meaning.
		meaning and	simple words	errors.				
		sounds of new	clearly.	Knows the				
		words.	Breaks words	sounds in a				
			into syllables (2	word.				
			syllable splits).					

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	Recognises	Spots more		
	words that	complex		
	rhyme.	rhyme.		
	Works out the	Counts		
	start sound of a	syllables in		
	word and	longer words.		
	suggests other	Reads		
	words that have	unfamiliar		
	the same start	words using		
	sound.	sound and		
	Use some	letter links.		
	irregular past	Uses an array		
	tense verbs.	of descriptive		
		words		
		including		
		synonyms.		
		Uses		
		conjunctions		
		to explain or		
		justify.		