

Language expectations

| By 4 years | Entry into KS1 | Entry into KS2 | Entry into KS3 |
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| Sentences over 5 words | Understand class instructions whilst engaged in a task | Select what they need to listen to; ask for clarification | Follow complex directions |
| Link sentences with simple conjunctions, e.g. and | Join sentences with conjunctions, e.g. if, because | Describe own experience in detail; tell a story in the right order | Understand common sayings in context |
| Describe past events | Retell stories | Link words by meaning and how they sound | Understand about multiple meanings |
| Answer 'why?' questions | Give details about things that are not visible | Use new vocabulary in a specific and appropriate way; range of descriptive words | Tell interesting, entertaining and original stories; a range of joining words |
| Grammar errors | Describe what a simple word means | Ask lots of 'how?' and 'why?' questions | Sentences 7 to 11 + words |