English Language Key Learning Areas

Area(s)	P. 1	P. 2	P. 3	P. 4	P. 5	P. 6
Vocabulary	 ♦ Print awareness - Understands that print has meaning - How to handle books - Understand that text is read from left to right and top to bottom - Read one-syllable words ♦ Alphabetic system - Learn the letter sounds - Blending - Learn the letter formation - Name all upper and lower case letters ♦ Know words have a correct spelling ♦ Identify syllables in words ♦ Identify the sounds in words ♦ Identify words through pictorial cues ♦ Discriminate familiar words in a text 		 ◆ Uses new words and Creates longer sentences ◆ Uses new vocabulary in speech ◆ Known words have antonyms and synonyms ◆ Uses of roots, prefixes and suffixes ◆ Tricky words –irregular words 		 Build vocabulary through daily reading Could use word analysis strategies to identify unfamiliar words Word identification strategies: Suffixes/Prefixes & Antonyms & Synonyms Confusing words with similar meaning, spelling and grammar functions Known facts/ opinion explains causes and effect Relates personal experience to stories read aloud 	
Reading	 ◆ Can recognize words in text ◆ Understand familiar names, words and very simple sentences, for example on notices and posters or in catalogues 	 ◆ Can read very short, simple texts. ◆ Can find specific, predictable information in simple everyday material such as advertisements, prospectuses, menus and timetables and ◆ Can understand short simple personal letters 	 ◆ Can understand texts that consist mainly of high frequency every day or job-related language. ◆ Can understand the description of events, feelings and wishes in personal letters 	 Can read articles and reports concerned with contemporary problems in which the writers adopt particular attitudes or viewpoints. Can understand Contemporary literary prose. 	 Can understand long and complex factual and literary texts, appreciating distinctions of style. Can understand specialized articles and longer technical instructions, even when they do not relate to my field. 	◆ Can read with ease virtually all forms of the written language, including abstract, structurally or linguistically complex texts such as manuals, specialized articles and literary works.

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Reading Comprehension	 Word identification: sight word, high-frequency word Follow simple written instructions Answer close questions 		Developing reading strategies Make predictions about stories Relate personal experience to stories read aloud Use of context clues to decode new words Able to identify main idea and summarizing the text Able to identify story elements, features and structure Able to identify inferences and implicit information Predicting Outcomes Fact or Opinion Answer open-ended questions about stories such as why? How? What?		 Improve the use of effective strategies before, during, and after reading Mastery of reading skills: skimming text for general idea of the topic; scanning to predict content, scanning for specific information, inferring meaning of unknown words from the context, and evaluating State information learned while reading Summarizes stories: recall details and main ideas, sequences events, identifies characters Identify confusing passages/ words and asks clarifying questions. 	
Writing	 Writes single words and word combinations Copies from model Uses letter strings or symbols to convey meaning Draws pictures to convey meaning Student may meet any one criterion at this level 	 ♦ Writes phrases or simple sentences ♦ Lists ideas which may be related ♦ Uses repetitive vocabulary ♦ Uses little or no mechanics ♦ Uses temporary (transitional) spelling 	 Conveys a single idea using multiple sentences which may lack cohesion Uses some compound/complex sentences. (Elementary level may use only Simple sentences May have difficulty with grammatical items (e.g., subject-verb agreement, pronouns, tenses) and syntax Writes with frequent errors in punctuation, spelling and capitalization Uses high-frequency vocabulary, sometimes omitting words 	 ◆ Organizes ideas in a paragraph ◆ Uses some compound/comple x sentence structures ◆ May have frequent grammatical errors. (Elementary level may contain some grammatical errors ◆ May write with some errors in punctuation, spelling and capitalization ◆ Uses vocabulary relevant to purpose, though sometimes awkward 	 ♦ Writes multiple paragraphs ♦ Writes with a variety of sentence structures, using transitions ♦ Uses varied and descriptive vocabulary ♦ May have grammatical errors ♦ Makes few errors in punctuation and spelling 	 ♦ Writes multiple paragraphs with clear introductions, fully developed ideas and conclusion ♦ Writes with a variety of sentence structures, using transition. ♦ Uses precise vocabulary ♦ Writes with occasional grammatical errors ♦ Makes few errors in punctuation and spelling

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Listening	 Comprehend and act appropriately on spoken instructions. Enjoy listening to stories and chants. Listen and recognize words. Willing to listen and participate in group activities. Recognize the stress in an utterance 	 ◆ Identify basic letter sounds ◆ Discriminate between different letter sounds ◆ Identify basic initial sounds ◆ Discriminate between different initial sounds in words ◆ Recognize features of language use such as alliteration, rhyme, onomatopoeia and rhythm in simple spoken texts 	 Recognize the stress in an utterance Recognize the difference in the use of intonation in simple questions, statements, commands and warnings Identify key words in short utterances by recognizing the stress Identify the gist or main ideas in simple spoken texts, e.g. short stories, with the help of cues Locate or provide specific information in response to simple instructions or questions 	 Identify consonant blend sounds and discriminate between different initial and final consonant blend sounds in words. Identify long vowel sounds and discriminate between different long vowel sounds in words. Identify the gist or main ideas by recognizing the stress in connected speech Locate specific information in spoken texts. 	 ◆ Identify long vowel sounds and discriminate between different long vowel sounds in words. ◆ Recognize the stress in words. ◆ Understand the connection between ideas supported by cohesive devices. ◆ Predict the likely development of a topic by recognizing key words, using personal experiences, and making use of context and knowledge of the world. 	 Recognize the stress in connected speech. Recognize differences in the use of intonation in expressing approval, disapproval, queries and doubts. Use audio clues, contextual clues and knowledge of the world to work out the meaning of simple spoken texts. Understand the speakers' intention, attitudes and feelings through their choice and use of language, gestures and facial expressions.

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Speaking	 Willing to listen and repeat with intonation. Greet teachers with appropriate language. Able to express feelings and needs. Able to express personal opinions. Respond to simple questions. Phonics: -Initial sounds of "t", "b", "r", "a', "m", "s", "h", "o", "c", "l", "n", "e", "j", "p", "y", "i", "f", "w", "u", "d", "g", "k" -rimes: "at", "un" 	 ♦ Pronounce correctly letters of the alphabet and words in isolation, e.g. girl ♦ Pronounce correctly words in connected speech by linking words together and using appropriate stress, eg. Thank you ♦ Produce simple phrases and sentences involving repetition or lists e.g. I like bananas, apples and oranges. ♦ Use simple phrases and sentences to communicate with others with the help of cues ♦ Connect ideas by using cohesive devices, e.g. and, but, or ♦ Vowels and Consonants: "o", "u", "r", "k", "i", "w", "ai", "ay", "i", "i-e", "c", "-er", "ng" 	 ◆ Imitate appropriate stress, rhythm and intonation ◆ Give a simple description to express meaning of an unknown word in response to teacher's prompts ◆ Introducing oneself briefly ◆ Recognize the connection between ideas supported by appropriate cohesive devices, including connectives and pronouns ◆ Open an interaction by using simple formulaic expressions to greet someone politely. ◆ Vowels and Consonants: "g", "ee", "ea", "p", "ph", "ir", "v", "j", "oa", "dr", "cr", "-er", "-or", "br", "tr", "cl", "a-e", "o-e" 	 ◆ Use appropriate registers when speaking to familiar interlocutors. ◆ Apply grammar rules ◆ Open an interaction by greeting someone in an appropriate manner. ◆ Maintain an interaction by controlling participation in an interaction or group activities ◆ Close an interaction by using appropriate formulaic expressions. ◆ Vowels and Consonants: "th", "y", "-y", "x", "ur", "qu", "a-", "ed", "ck", "ow", "c" 	 ◆ Apply grammar rules ◆ Connect ideas by using cohesive devices. ◆ Open an interaction by introducing oneself giving some details. ◆ Maintain an interaction by asking and responding to others' opinions. ◆ Maintain an interaction by acknowledging, agreeing or disagreeing, asking questions, replying, adding or giving examples and explaining, using formulaic expressions where appropriate. ◆ Close an interaction by giving reasons. ◆ Vowels, Consonant Blends: "g", "oo", "sp", "spr", "au", "oi", "oy", "fl", "pl", "sl", "mp", "fl", "pl", "sl", "mp", "nd", "nt", "ou", "ow" 	 ◆ Use gestures and facial expressions to convey meaning and intention. ◆ Use appropriate intonation and stress, and vary volume, tone of voice and speed to convey intended meanings and feelings. ◆ Open an interaction by eliciting a response by asking questions or providing information on a topic. ◆ Maintain an interaction by self-correction or rephrasing questions and answers if they are not understood. ◆ Maintain an interaction by predicting the likely development of a conversation and responding accordingly. ◆ Beginning Consonant Blends and Multi-syllables: "ew", "ue", "u-e", "s", "-ie", "-ie", "-ie", "-io"