Key Stage 3 Communication Ready Reckoner for Talking & Listening

| Statutory Requirements | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Level 4 | Level 5 | Level 6 | Level 7 |
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| Requirement 1 Listen to and take part in discussions, explanations, role plays and presentations (Listening and taking part) | Listen to and respond to what is heard Try to take on the role of someone else Participate in simple discussions Follow simple instructions | Listen to and understand main points of conversation Take part in role play and interact with others Listen to and carry out a series of simple instructions in sequence | Listen for specific information Understand and maintain a role | Listen attentively to all speakers and summarise what is heard Develop a role by adding own ideas | Listen to, identify and comment on relevant information and key points Make relevant contributions in different roles | Listen to and respond to complex information Identify implicit meaning Move discussion forward – 'Have you thought about? Perhaps you should consider' Significant contributions in different roles | Listen to and respond to complex information Initiate discussion; more assured contributions Skilfully encourage participation of others Distinctive contributions in different roles |
| Requirement 2 Contribute comments, ask questions and respond to others' points of view (Comments, questions, responses) | Ask and answer simple questions Basic responses | Ask and answer appropriate questions Own ideas – more than one response Follow and contribute to discussions, taking turns | Ask how and why questions to extend understanding Follow main points and make contributions that show understanding | Ask questions about others' views and interact with others Make relevant contributions to widen discussions | Discuss own and others' ideas Ask questions to explore and develop ideas Summarise Highlight strengths and weaknesses in others' arguments | Valid contributions Clarify and challenge others showing sensitivity and empathy – 'Earlier you said but don't you think? I don't agree. I feel that' | Understand and challenge the complexity of an issue Achieve consensus Persuade and synthesise showing perception |
| Requirement 3 Communicate information, ideas, opinions, feelings and imaginings, using an expanding vocabulary (Vocabulary) | Use vocabulary within own experience to describe thoughts and feelings | Use a general vocabulary to express thoughts, feelings and opinions | Use an expanding and interesting vocabulary Explain why they hold a point of view | Use an appropriate and relevant vocabulary Explain information, ideas and opinions clearly | Clear and developed reasons to justify ideas and opinions Relevant, precise vocabulary | Express and justify complex ideas and opinions Use evidence to support argument Carefully chosen, focused vocabulary | Synthesise evidence and information from a range of sources to support argument Sophisticated vocabulary |
| Requirement 4 Structure talk so that ideas can be understood by others (Structure) | Talk about own experiences so that others can understand | Talk about experiences in some detail and in an order that makes sense | Plan and sequence so that talk makes sense | Plan and sequence taking account of audience and purpose | Organise ideas logically | Demonstrate evidence of concise and effective planning | Structure – original, individual |
| Requirement 5 Speak clearly and adapt ways of speaking to audience and situation (Language techniques/tone intonation) | Speak audibly | Speak clearly | Try to vary expression – change tone | Appropriate tone, pace and volume, beginning to stress important words and phrases using emphasis | Use voice to maintain interest Appropriate range of language techniques – ' <i>How would you</i> <i>feel if? I can not. I just can not</i> ' | Use voice for effect Appropriate range of language techniques Appropriate degree of formality and tone | Use voice to create deliberate effect, and manipulate response Confident use of a wide range of language techniques Manipulate language to present complex information |
| Requirement 6 Use non-verbal methods to express ideas and engage with the listener (Non-verbal) | Make eye contact | Look interested – nod/shake head. Simple gestures, some facial expressions | Use body language – pose , gesture, facial expression – to get across a message | Use non-verbal methods – pose, gesture, facial expression, pause – to interest the audience | Use non-verbal methods – gesture, facial expression, eye contact – to maintain interest of audience | Use appropriate non-verbal methods to influence audience | Use a full range of non-verbal methods to manipulate audience |

Key Stage 3 Communication Ready Reckoner for Reading

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| Requirement 1 Read a range of texts for information, ideas and enjoyment (Understand) | Meaning in pictures, symbols, words, phrases and simple sentences Teacher led | Recount (tell the story) Sequence (arrange in order) Teacher input Short, simple texts | Recognise and sequence main points Paraphrase (retelling) Longer but fairly simple texts | Summarise (select main points) Paraphrase main message in own words Straightforward texts | Summarise key messages Select appropriate details to show understanding More demanding texts | Use detail to explain how and why things have been said Focus on the writer Complex texts | Fuller range of how and why Insight More complex texts |
| Requirement 2 Use a range of strategies with increasing independence (Read) | Sounds and syllables Use reading strategies – (pictures, prior knowledge) Teacher led | Use reading strategies at instructional level Teacher input | Use reading strategies independently with context cues | Read independently with comprehension | | | |
| Requirement 3 Find, select and use information from a range of sources (Research) | Read familiar words, signs and symbols Locate simple information – visual clues Resources provided | Select information for a specific purpose Alphabetical order Resources provided | Use organisational features – alphabetical order, contents, index, reference – to locate and obtain information | Locate information and decide if relevant – internet research to suit purpose | Select and manage information (organise and use appropriately) A range of sources | Compare information Make judgements (quality and usefulness of information) Adapt information to suit audience and purpose A range of complex sources | Discriminate (relevance, reliability, accuracy) Combine information to support viewpoint More complex sources |
| Requirement 4 Understand and explore ideas, events and features in texts (Explain) | Use language of text – front cover, page | Recognise some forms of texts – recipe, report, dictionary Recognise some features of texts – alphabetical order, contents page | Understand that there are different forms and features of text – newspaper article – headlines, columns etc; letter – date, address etc Make deductions (pick up on some things not stated directly) | Identify different features of texts and how these are used to convey the message – language, layout Understand obvious messages in texts Recognise some implicit meaning | Describe language, structure and presentation with some explanatory comments Connect form, audience and purpose Understand some implicit meanings and attitudes Empathy Fact/opinion | Explain the effects of language Comment on techniques the writer uses to make the reader respond in a certain way Recognise bias | Detailed explanations Analyse how and why a writer has shaped the reader's response by deliberately using different techniques |
| Requirement 5 Use evidence from texts to explain opinions (Use evidence) | Talk about what they have read to answer simple questions – who, what, when | Ask questions Express opinions – 'I think' Make predictions – what happens next | Ask and respond to questions for understanding Give reasons for opinions – <i>'I think because'</i> | Explain opinions – well thought out reasons | Evidence from text to support opinions and draw conclusions | Sufficient evidence from text to justify why ideas or opinions are correct | Select carefully, appropriate evidence from text to support detailed explanation Subtle evidence |

Key Stage 3 Communication Ready Reckoner for Writing

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| Requirement 1 Talk about, plan and edit work (Talk, plan, edit) | Only talk | Talk about form Talk about what and how Make basic changes agreed beforehand | Talk about and plan Make improvements | Make use of plan Make improvements to accuracy and meaning taking account of feedback | Plan, redraft taking account of specific feedback | Redraft independently for effect | Redraft independently for impact |
| Requirement 2 Communicate information, meaning, feelings, imaginings and ideas in a clear and organised way (Content and Organisation) | Own experience – symbols, pictures, words, phrases, simple sentences – with help | Simple recount of own experience Some organisation Some help – sentence/paragraph starters, template, word bank | Beyond own experience including opinions (imagination) Some sense of organisation – beginning, middle, end Supporting detail, expanding vocabulary Some attempt to make writing interesting Scaffolding (some help with content and organisation) | Write thoughts, feelings, ideas, opinions – with reasons Organise in paragraphs Meaning clear Appropriate vocabulary and detail Mostly independent | Precise vocabulary Justify opinions More extended Logical, coherent Clear, organised, appropriate paragraphs | More extensive vocabulary Expand on ideas and opinions Sustained, developed Use information as evidence to support point of view Organise for deliberate effect | Sophisticated vocabulary Expand on complex ideas and opinions Sustained, developed Synthesise information to support analysis and conclusions Organise for impact Flair |
| Requirement 3 Develop, express and present ideas in a variety of forms and formats, using traditional and digital resources, for different audiences and purposes (Purpose and Audience) | Not a requirement of Level 1 | Write using given form Help given | Use form appropriately – letter, diary entry | Choose form appropriate to purpose and audience | Match writing to purpose and audience Present information effectively Choose appropriate style | Organise and present writing for deliberate effect Appropriate style and tone | Manipulate style, tone and presentation for impact |
| Requirement 4 Write with increasing accuracy and proficiency (Spelling, punctuation, grammar) | Write words using the sounds letters represent Write personal/familiar words Some control - upper and lower case letters | Use capital letters and full stops Spell common /familiar words recognisably Legible handwriting | Start sentences in different ways Use capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks Use basic grammar – agreement and parts of speech Spell and write frequently used and topic words accurately Use dictionary Consistent handwriting | Vary word order Use linking words – and, but, because Range of punctuation – commas, apostrophes, speech marks Use basic grammar – tenses Use accurate spelling on most occasions | Vary sentence length and structure Range of punctuation – consistent and accurate Accurate grammar and spelling | Deliberately vary sentence length and structure Punctuation used for effect | Create complex sentences for impact Punctuation, grammar used for impact Accurate spelling – more sophisticated words |