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Integrated assignment

Introduction

There is one integrated assignment to support these materials:

Planning a visit.

This provides learners with an opportunity to extend and apply the skills they have developed within their vocational course and through the use of these materials. It is structured in a similar style to Key Skills assignments, but the content reflects learning from particular modules.

Introducing the assignment

Teachers should go through the assignment with learners to check that they understand the tasks and have strategies for tackling each one. Learners can be asked to produce an action plan or checklist, to ensure that they are clear about the demands of each task within the assignment. Learners should be made aware of the signposting to the relevant modules within the Materials for Embedded Learning if they need to look back and check some skills.

Assessing learners

Learners are expected to complete tasks independently with the minimum of teacher input. The marking scheme identifies the units and elements of the National Occupational Standards, Key Skills and the Adult Core Curricula for Literacy and Numeracy.

Learners' performance can be assessed on all three aspects of the task or one specific area. Coverage of the National Occupational Standards includes some performance criteria and/or underpinning knowledge from the NVQ. Additional questioning or observation of tasks may provide sufficient evidence for learner portfolios.



Integrated assignment Planning a visit

There is only one assignment for this vocational area. By doing it, you can show your knowledge of a number of different areas within your own work. You will need to complete Parts A–F.

- A Select some suitable places to visit.
- **B** Think about the learning opportunities associated with your chosen locations.
- **C** Discuss a destination with your colleagues.
- **D** Read workplace policies and procedures to do with taking children on visits.
- **E** Work out how many adults are needed for the visit.
- **F** Work out how much the visit is going to cost.

PART A

- 1 First, you will need to decide on a place to visit. Collect together information about several places that might be of interest. Choose at least two places that you think are appropriate. To help you decide on a place, you could think about:
 - topics that are coming up in your workplace that a visit might be linked with, such as a farm, castle or supermarket
 - local places of interest to the children you work with, such as a local park, the library, a leisure centre
 - opportunities to take children away from their normal environment an annual summer trip, a holiday club visit, a Christmas outing.
- **2** Collect as much information about different places as you can. Here are some ideas to help you.
 - Get leaflets and information books from your local library.
 - Visit your local tourist information office.
 - Search on the Internet by entering the words 'early years' and your area of interest.
 - Ask colleagues for any recommendations.



PART B

For this part of the assignment you need to think about the reasons for the trip and what the children will learn from it.

- 1 Write down all the learning opportunities you can think of. You might like to use the diagram on the next page, or you could make a list or a mind map. Use the frameworks and curriculum documents to give you some ideas.
- **2** Choose the most appropriate learning outcomes for your visit. Write them as a list.

PART C

Present the information you have found to your colleagues so that you can decide on one destination together. During the discussion remember to:

- speak clearly
- present your information in a logical way
- listen carefully to what others have to say
- answer questions thoroughly.

Don't forget to include the information about learning opportunities for the children.

By the end of the discussion you should have identified one destination for a visit and be clear about why it was chosen.

PART D

Every workplace will have a set of policies and procedures that must be followed when taking children off the premises.

- 1 Find the appropriate policies and procedures for your workplace.
- 2 Read them carefully.
- **3** Make notes about anything that you must not forget.

Tip

You could do this part of the assignment with a colleague or in a small group.

If you have problems with this task you can look at:

- 'Frameworks and guidance' in Module 1: Working with children
- 'Identifying learning opportunities in books',
 'The role of the frameworks' and 'Choosing activities to develop numeracy skills' in Module 5: Providing a role model.

For help with this part of the task, look at 'Communicating with others at work' in Module 3: Communicating in the early years.

For help with this part of the task, look at 'Reading policies and procedures' in Module 1: Working with children and 'Taking notes from training' in Module 2: Health and safety.



Development of listening

Development of knowledge of the world

Development of speaking

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Creative and imaginative development

Destination of the visit

Personal, social and emotional development

Mathematical development

Development of writing

Development of reading



PART E

Now that you have decided on a destination, you need to look at health and safety issues.

- 1 Work out how many children will be coming on the visit.
- **2** Look at the ages of the children.
- **3** Look at your workplace guidelines to find out the recommended ratio of adults to children.
- **4** Work out how many adults you will need to accompany you.

For help with this part of the task, look at 'Supervising children' in Module 2: Health and safety and 'Reading policies and procedures' in Module 1: Working with children.

PART F

- 1 Make a list of all the things that you will need to pay for on your particular trip. Make sure that you write down the **total cost** for each thing (e.g. the total cost of hiring a minibus and the total cost of all the entry tickets). You could use the table below, or draw up one of your own.
- **2** When you have listed everything, add the costs together to give a **grand total**.
- 3 Using the grand total and the number of people going on the visit, work out how much it will cost per person.

Item	Cost
Entry tickets	
Minibus	
Grand total	
Number of people	
Cost per person	

Tip

Use a calculator to check your answers.

For help with this task, look at 'Dealing with money' in Module 1: Working with children.

Early years Integrated assignment: Planning a visit

to factors such as the choices of activity made by the learner and the age group with which the practitioner works. The elements listed are therefore suggestions only. Coverage of specific elements and performance criteria of the National Occupational Standards in Children's Care, Learning and Development will vary according This assignment relates to several units of the Occupational Standards and practises a variety of skills developed in the materials for Embedded Learning.

Part A: Select s	Part A: Select some suitable places to visit.						
NOS/NVQ refs	Elements (where relevant)	Achieved	Achieved with support	Core curriculum refs	Core curriculum elements	Achieved	Achieved with support
CCLD 203 Support children's	CCLD 203.1 CCLD 203.2 CCLD 203.3			Rt/L1.4	Use organisational and structural features to locate information.		
development	CCLD 203.4			Rt/L1.5	 Use different reading strategies to find and obtain information. 		
				Rt/L2.5	 Read critically to evaluate information, and compare information, ideas and opinions from different sources. 		
				Rt/L2.8	 Summarise information from longer documents. 		
Part B: Think a	Part B: Think about the learning opportunities associated with your chosen locations.	your chosen	locations.				
NOS/NVQ refs	Elements (where relevant)	Achieved	Achieved with support	Core curriculum refs	Core curriculum elements	Achieved	Achieved with support
CCLD 206 Support	CCLD 206.1 CCLD 206.2			Wt/L1.2	 Judge how much to write and the level of detail to include. 		
children's play and learning	CCLD 206.3 CCLD 206.4 CCLD 206.5			Wt/L1.5	 Use format and structure for different purposes. 		

Part C: Discuss	Part C: Discuss a destination with your colleagues.						
NOS/NVQ refs	Elements (where relevant)	Achieved	Achieved with support	Core curriculum refs	Core curriculum elements	Achieved	Achieved with support
CCLD 207 Contribute to the effectiveness of teams CCLD 201	CCLD 207.1 CCLD 207.2 CCLD 201.2			SLc/L1.1 SLc/L1.3 SLc/L1.4	 Speak clearly in a way that suits the situation. Express clearly statements of fact, explanations, instructions, accounts, and descriptions. Present information and ideas in a logical 		
contribute to positive relationships	4: TO 701-7-			SLd/L1.1	sequence and include and develop ideas where appropriate. • Follow and contribute to discussions on a range of straightforward topics.		
				SLd/L2.4	 Support opinions and arguments with evidence. 		
Part D: Read w	Part D: Read workplace policies and procedures to do with taking children on visits.	ng children o	on visits.				
NOS/NVQ refs	Elements (where relevant)	Achieved	Achieved with support	Core curriculum refs	Core curriculum elements	Achieved	Achieved with support
CCLD 202 Help to keep	CCLD 202.1			Rt/L1.4	 Use organisational and structural features to locate information. 		
children sate				Rt/L1.5	 Use different reading strategies to find and obtain information. 		
				Rt/L2.1	 Trace and understand the main events of continuous descriptive, explanatory and persuasive texts. 		
				Rt/L2.8	 Summarise information from longer documents. 		
				Wt/L1.2	 Judge how much to write and the level of detail to include. 		
				Wt/L1.5	 Use format and structure for different purposes. 		

Part E: Work ou	Part E: Work out how many adults are needed for the visit.						
NOS/NVQ refs	Elements (where relevant)	Achieved	Achieved with support	Core curriculum refs	Core curriculum elements	Achieved	Achieved with support
CCLD 202 Help to keep children safe.	CCLD 202.1			N1/L2.3 Rt/L1.4	 Calculate ratio and direct proportion. Use organisational and structural features to locate information. 		
				Rt/L1.5	 Use different reading strategies to find and obtain information. 		
				Rt/L2.3	• Identify the main points and specific detail.		
Part F: Work ou	Part F: Work out how much the visit is going to cost.						
NOS/NVQ refs	Elements (where relevant)	Achieved	Achieved with support	Core curriculum refs	Core curriculum elements	Achieved	Achieved with support
A/A				N2/E3.4	 Use a calculator to calculate using whole numbers and decimals to solve problems in context, and to check calculations. 		
				MSS1/L1.1	Add, subtract, multiply and divide sums of money and record.		

Key Skills: Successful completion of this assignment will cover the following Key Skills:

Part A – Level 1 C1.2 Read and obtain information from at least one document

- Level 2 C2.2 Read and summarise information from at least two documents about the same subject. Each document must be a minimum of 500 words long.

Part B – Level 1 C1.3.1 Present relevant information in a format that suits your purpose.

Part C – Level 2 C2.1a Take part in a group discussion.

Part D – Level 2 C2.2 Read and summarise information from at least two documents about the same subject. Each document must be a minimum of 500 words long.

Part E – Level 1 N1.2 Carry out and check calculations to do with proportion.

Part F – Level 1 N1.2 Carry out and check calculations to do with amounts.



Mapping information chart for Integrated assignment

Adult Core Curriculum	Key Skills	National Occupational Standards/NVQ
SLc/L1.1, SLc/L1.3, SLc/L1.4 SLd/L1.1, SLd/L2.4	C1.2, C1.3 C2.1a, C2.2	CCLD 201 Contribute to positive
Rt/L1.4, Rt/L1.5, Rt/L2.1 Rt/L2.3, Rt/L2.5, Rt/L2.8 Wt/L1.2, Wt/L1.5	N1.2	relationships CCLD 202 Help to keep children safe
N2/E3.4, N1/L2.3 MSS1/L1.1		CCLD 203 Support children's development
		CCLD 206 Support children's play and learning
		CCLD 207 Contribute to the effectiveness of teams



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Job advertisements

Be part of the team QUALIFIED NURSERY NURSES/NURSERY ASSISTANTS/TRAINEES

We are growing and are currently looking to recruit qualified nursery nurses, unqualified assistants with childcare experience (includes bank staff/lunchtime cover) and trainees for our day nursery in Greentown Business Park.

If childcare is your vocation and you possess qualities that include professionalism, a 'can-do' attitude and the ability to balance hard work and fun, then we would like to hear from you.

We offer competitive salaries, incentives and benefits, flexible hours and fast-track training and development. We are looking for male and female team members of all ages ... why not join us?

> For further information please contact

Wendy Evans on 01234 567890

Or send your CV and letter of application to:

The Nursery, The Drive, Greentown Business Park, Greentown GT1 BP2

Blackbird Kindergarten

Our pre-school has recently had an Ofsted Inspection and passed with an amazing High Quality standard, making us one of only 20% of nurseries in the country making this grade.

Why not call us to find out about current career opportunities?

Please contact Laura Richards on 01234 678901

PLAY ASSISTANTS

Home from Home Club St Mary's School

Monday to Friday 3.15-6.30 Working as part of a team to provide a happy, stimulating and safe play environment for children from 5 to 11 years of age. Will be required to lead specific play activities. NVQ in Playwork or equivalent required. Must be willing to undertake further training. Must be self-motivated, caring, reliable, creative and enthusiastic.

> £5.25-£6.75 per hour depending on experience. Tel: 01234 135790

Looking for a job at the best nursery in Greentown?

Look no further!

Little Mudlarks Nursery is looking for a caring nursery assistant.

Hours to suit.

Call in to see us anytime or call Jane on 01234 890123

Playgroup Manager/Supervisor

£20 per session for first 6 months, £25 per session after 6 months. 4 sessions a week, 9 am-12 noon

The job involves:

- · setting out equipment
- · being creative and using initiative to organise activities for children
- · monitoring staff and allocating responsibilities
- · working with parents and giving feedback and support
- · reporting back to owners
- · attending planning meetings
- · keeping records and documents updated
- adhering to the playgroup policies and procedures

Contact Alex 01234 975310

Greentown Primary school

Classroom assistant required to support children in various practical activities within KS1 (5–7 year olds). A kind and gentle nature an advantage. General academic abilities and some understanding of 5 year olds essential.

Contact the head teacher for further details on 01234 657483.

Are you caring and creative, energetic and enthusiastic? Reliable Playworker required for Breakfast and After School Club, 1-5 days a week, term time only. Ability to work as part of a team and undertake training. head@Greentownbandasclub.ac.uk

BANK/COVER STAFF

required by Greentown Day Nursery to cover holiday/ sickness/training of existing staff.

Job involves playing with children inside and out, preparing daily tea menu. Some experience preferred but not essential. All training and support will be offered.

£6.00-£7.50 an hour depending on experience.

Tel: 01234 901234

Crèche staff (6) wanted to look after children in Greentown Shopping Centre

£6.50-£8.00 an hour depending on experience.

One of the following is essential: NNEB - NVQ Level 3, BTEC 1st Diploma in Early Years, BTEC National Certificate in Early Years, CACHE Certificate of Professional Development in Work with Children Level 3 plus Basic First aid and Police Check Form.

Send CV and letter to: The Manager Greentown Shopping Centre GT6 SS9





Job description

JOB DESCRIPTION

POST: Nursery Assistant

REPONSIBLE TO: The Principal and the Nursery Teacher

DUTIES:

Nursery assistants work under the direction of and in close association with the Nursery teacher of the unit. As the needs of the children in the nursery school/class are of paramount importance, the assistants may be involved with the children in every aspect of their development. A Nursery assistant is expected to:

- Assist and cooperate with the Nursery teacher in the care of children in the various aspects of the daily nursery class routine, both indoors and outdoors. This may include attending a sick child or a child who requires help at the toilet.
- 2. Set out play material and equipment and tidy away materials and equipment during the day (as requested by the Nursery teacher) and at the end of the school day. Also, help with preparation and care of play materials, including washing, repairing and sewing as the need arises.
- 3. Prepare the room for milk and dinner breaks and tidy the room afterwards.
- 4. Help prepare children for and assist with the serving of milk and dinners.
- 5. Contribute to the general tidiness of the school/class, e.g. mop up spillages.
- 6. Assist in special activities such as school parties, visits to places of interest and parents' meetings.
- 7. Carry out other relevant duties as requested by the Principal.

HOURS OF DUTY: $32\frac{1}{2}$ per week

SALARY: £12,018 (aged 20 & under) – £12,381 (aged 21 & over) – £14,664

Starting and finishing times within the hours specified will be as stipulated by the Principal.



Behaviour management policy

Behaviour management policy

Statement of intent

Our pre-school believes that children flourish best when they know how they are expected to behave and should be free to play and learn without fear of being hurt or unfairly restricted by anyone else.

Aim

We aim to provide an environment in which there is acceptable behaviour and where children learn to respect themselves, other people and their environment.

Methods

- We have a named person who has overall responsibility for issues concerning behaviour.
- We require the named person to:
 - keep her/himself up to date with legislation and research and thinking on handling children's behaviour:
 - access relevant sources of expertise on handling children's behaviour; and
 - check that all staff have relevant in-service training on handling children's behaviour. (We keep a record of staff attendance at this training.)
- We require all staff, volunteers and students to provide a positive model of behaviour by treating children, parents and one another with friendliness, care and courtesy.
- We require all staff, volunteers and students to use positive strategies for handling any conflict by helping children find solutions in ways that are appropriate for the children's ages and stages of development – for example distraction, praise and reward.

- We familiarise new staff and volunteers with the pre-school's behaviour policy and its rules for behaviour.
- We expect all members of the pre-school children, parents, staff, volunteers and students – to keep to the rules, requiring these to be applied consistently.
- We praise and endorse desirable behaviour such as kindness and willingness to share.
- We avoid creating situations in which children receive adult attention only in return for undesirable behaviour.
- We recognise that codes for interacting with other people vary between cultures and require staff to be aware of – and respect – those used by members of the pre-school.
- When children behave in unacceptable ways, we help them to see what was wrong and how to cope more appropriately.
- We never send children out of the room by themselves.
- We never use physical punishment, such as smacking or shaking. Children are never threatened with these.
- We do not use techniques intended to single out and humiliate individual children.
- We only use physical restraint, such as holding, to prevent physical injury to children or adults and/or serious damage to property. Details of such an event (what happened, what action was taken and by whom, and the names of witnesses) are brought to the attention of our pre-school leader and are recorded in our Incident Book. The child's parent is informed on the same day and signs the Incident Book to indicate that he/she has been informed.

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- In cases of serious misbehaviour, such as racial or other abuse, we make clear immediately the unacceptability of the behaviour and attitudes, by means of explanations rather than personal blame.
- We do not shout or raise our voices in a threatening way to respond to children's behaviour.
- We handle children's unacceptable behaviour in ways that are appropriate to their ages and stages of development for example by distraction, discussion or by withdrawing the child from the situation.
- We work in partnership with children's parents. Parents are regularly informed about their children's behaviour by their key person. We work with parents to address recurring unacceptable behaviour, using objective observation records to help us to understand the cause and to decide jointly how to respond appropriately.

Bullying

Bullying involves the persistent physical or verbal abuse of another child or children. We take bullying very seriously.

If a child bullies another child or children:

- we intervene to stop the child harming the other child or children;
- we explain to the child doing the bullying why her/his behaviour is inappropriate;
- we give reassurance to the child or children who has/have been bullied;
- we help the child who has done the bullying to say sorry for her/his actions;
- we make sure that children who bully receive praise when they display acceptable behaviour;
- we do not label children who bully;
- when children bully, we discuss what has happened with their parents and work out with them a plan for handling the child's behaviour; and
- when children have been bullied, we share what has happened with their parents, explaining that the child who did the bullying is being helped to adopt more acceptable ways of behaving.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of	Pre-school
Held on (date)	
Signed on behalf of the pre-school	





Nappy changing procedure

NAPPY CHANGING PROCEDURE

When changing an infant's nappy you must:

- a) Wash your hands.
- b) Set out the equipment needed for changing ready for use.
- c) Protect yourself with gloves and an apron.
- d) Place green paper over the changing mat and lay the child down on it on his/her back.
- e) Remove the nappy and clean the area thoroughly with wet wipes (unless the parent/carer has specified otherwise).
- f) Place the soiled nappy and cleaning materials used in a nappy sack and put it in the nappy compactor. (If the nappy is re-usable, place the liner and other materials in a nappy sack before placing in the compactor. Place the nappy in another nappy sack and in the child's bag ready to go home.)
- g) Remove any items of clothing that may also be soiled or wet, give them a rinse and again put them in a nappy sack and put them in the child's bag ready to go home.
- h) Put the clean nappy on, making sure it is comfortable and all areas are sealed to prevent leakage.
- i) Replace the soiled clothing with fresh from their bag or our spare clothes facility.
- j) Return child to a safe, supervised area.
- k) Wash your hands with the gloves on with anti-bacterial handwash, then put them back in the child's basket.
- I) Wipe and spray the changing mat and apron with anti-bacterial cleanser and paper towel.
- m) Place the used green paper and paper towel used to clean the area in to the bin in the adult's toilet.
- n) Wash your hands again.

NEVER LEAVE AN INFANT UNATTENDED IN THE CHANGING AREA



Growing hazards table

	GROWING H	AZARDS
Age	Stage of development	Possible dangers
Birth – 3 months	Lifts head unsteadily Watches carers attentively Cries for attention	 scalds from hot bath water falls from high surfaces such as changing tables suffocation from furry toys, bedding
4–6 months	Uses arms for support Sits upright with support Holds and shakes small objects	 cuts from sharp objects at floor level choking on small objects such as buttons and beads suffocation from unsupervised feeding
7–9 months	Makes efforts to crawl or shuffle Uses index, middle finger and thumb to hold objects Shows curiosity about new objects	 scalds from hot food falling out of buggies and highchairs drowning in the bath
10 months – 1 year	May walk holding on to furniture Begins to be wary of strangers Enjoys sound of own voice	 scalds from hot drinks on low tables burns from radiators and heaters poisoning from eating items found in low cupboards
1 year – 18 months	Walks independently Learns through trial and error Can play on his/her own	 choking on hard food walking into road when out with carer bumping into objects at head-height such as tables
18 months – 2 years	Walks upstairs May have a tantrum if upset Beginning of toilet training	 falling when climbing stairs cuts from sharp objects left unattended burns and scalds from unguarded sources of heat
2 years – 3 years	Uses a spoon and fork to eat Assists with dressing and undressing Begins pretend play	 suffocation from plastic bags falling from playground slides and other play equipment poisoning from opening alcohol and chemical containers such as bleach
3 years – Pre-school	Stands and walks on tiptoe Kicks a ball Cuts round an object with scissors Develops fine motor skills through play	 accidents when travelling in cars without specialised seat belts drowning in ponds poisoning by taking medication intended for someone else

Security procedure

Security procedure

To ensure the safety and security of both staff and children, all staff and parents **must** follow these procedures at all times.

Staff

- During session times, all visitors must gain access via the front door and use the intercom.
- Ask all visitors to complete the information in the Visitors Book.
- If a person is seen acting in a suspicious manner in the vicinity, and is not known to you, approach and question the person. If an unsuitable answer is given, call the police.
- Make sure playground gates are locked during school hours.
- Keep all external entrances locked at all times.
- Classroom doors have security locks that are operated from the inside. Do not allow any visitors into a classroom unless they have prior permission.
- Children may only leave at the end of the session with the adult named on the admission form. If another person wishes to collect a child without prior permission, consult the Nursery manager.

Parents

- All enquiries by parents during school hours should be at the main door, where they are requested to use the intercom that is connected to the main office.
- If there is a change of routine or a different person is collecting your child, the Nursery manager must be informed in advance.
- If arrangements change while the child is at school, telephone the office with the new arrangements.





Page from visitors book

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Details of person visiting:		
First names:	Surname:	_
Company:		_
Address:		_
		_
Telephone no.:		_
Reason for visit:		_
		_
		_
Date of visit:	Time of visit:	_
On arrival:		
Signature (visitor):		_
Date:	Time:	_
On departure:		
Signature (visitor):		_
Date:	Time:	_





Abbreviations and symbols cards

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Meanings cards

approximately

per cent

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Tuesday

minus or less

telephone number

because

at

equal or the same as

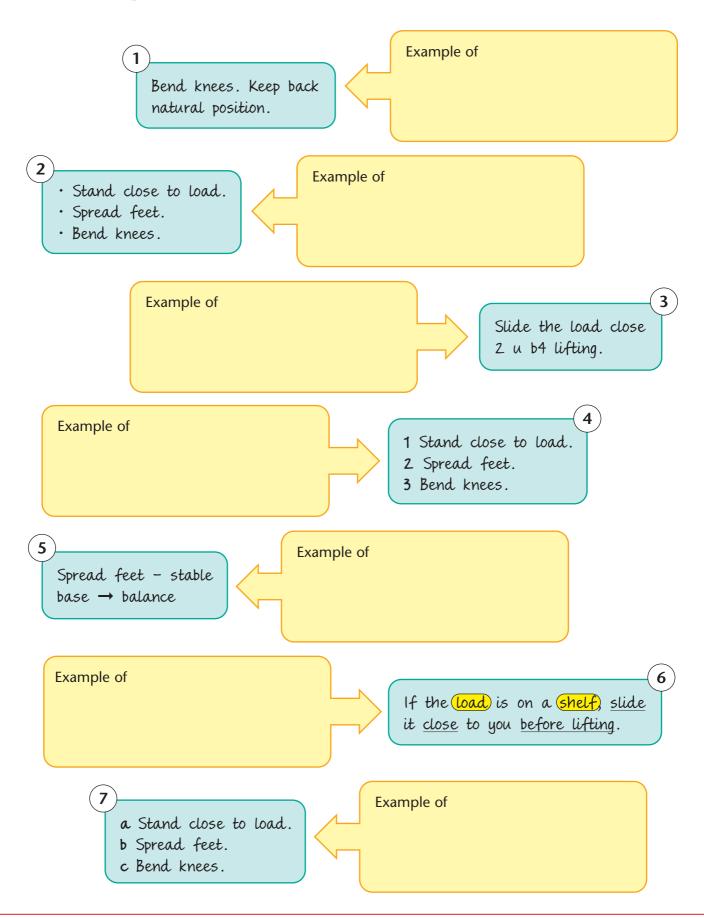
ditto (same word again)

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Example notes





Dislodging a blockage

Dislodging a blockage

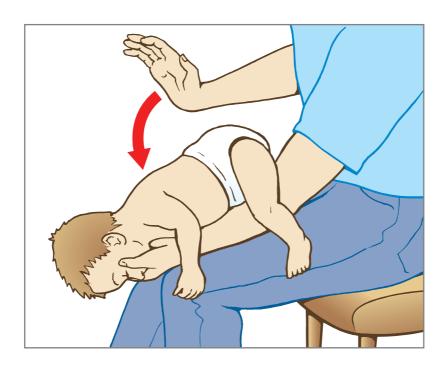
To remove the blockage from a baby's airway, first lie the baby face down on your lap. The upper part of the baby's body should hang down over your knees while you support the face and neck with one hand. Using the heel part of your other hand, thump the baby four times between the shoulder blades gently but firmly. Don't thump too hard and remember to keep hold of the baby at all times.

To remove the blockage from a baby's airway, first lie the baby face down on your lap.

The upper part of the baby's body should hang down over your knees while you support the face and neck with one hand.

Using the heel part of your other hand, thump the baby four times between the shoulder blades gently but firmly.

Don't thump too hard and remember to keep hold of the baby at all times.





Resuscitation

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Open the airway by pushing gently on the forehead to tilt the baby's head backwards. Support and lift the jaw forwards using the tips of the fingers on the chin. Cover her nose and mouth with your mouth. Blow into her mouth and nose until her chest begins to rise.

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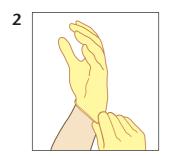
Cover her nose and mouth with your mouth.

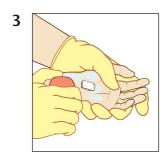
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Dealing with a cut











Cover the cut completely with a sterile dressing or plaster.

Wash and dry your own hands.

Put on disposable gloves.

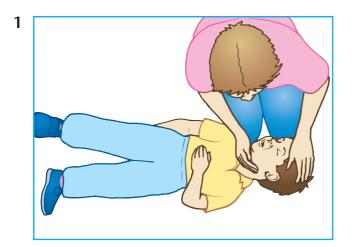
Pat the surrounding skin dry.

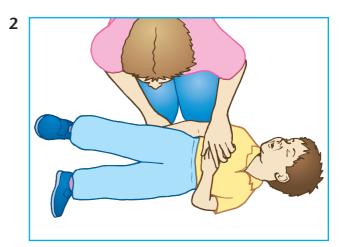
Cover the cut temporarily and clean the surrounding skin with soap and water.

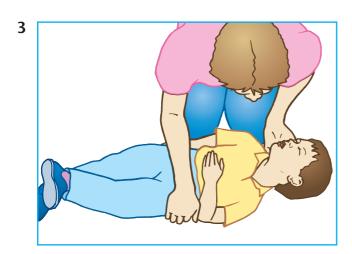


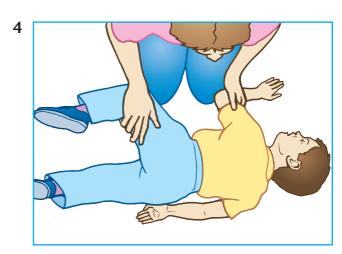


Recovery position













Formula milk label

Directions for use:

1. Wash your hands thoroughly.



2. Ensure equipment is properly sterilised.



3. Boil water. Do not use softened or repeatedly boiled water.



4. Measure the correct volume of water (see Feeding guide), into a jug, beaker or bottle. Allow to cool (approx. 30 mins). Do not add powder to boiling water.



5. Add 1 level scoop of powder to every 30 ml of water. Do not press/heap the powder.



6. Add the correct number of scoops to the water. Always use the correct number of scoops. More or less can be harmful to your baby.



7. Mix well for 20 secs or until all powder is dissolved.



8. Check temperature before feeding.



The Department of Health recommends that cows' milk should not be given as the main drink to infants before the age of 12 months.

Feeding guide 6–24 months*

Age of baby (aprox.)		ht of by	Single prepa		No. of feeds in 24 hours
	kg	lbs	Level scoops	Water ml	
6 months	7.5	16.5	8	240 ml	4
7-12 months	8.5+	18.5+	7	210 ml	3
12+ months	10.0+	22.0+	20	600 ml	Use as required

*This table is a guide only.

Feeding instructions

- ✓ Use feeds within one hour.
- ✓ Always discard unfinished feeds.
- ✓ Infants should be supervised at all times when feeding.
- ✓ When preparing feeds in advance, cool quickly under cold running water before storing in fridge. Use within 24 hours.
- Do not heat in microwave. Hot spots may occur and cause scalding.

Storage

- Use contents within 4 weeks of opening.
- Store in a cool dry place.
- Do not refrigerate.



Fire action notice



ON DISCOVERING A FIRE:

- 1. Sound the alarm
- 2. Dial 999 to call the fire brigade
- 3. Tackle the fire with the appliances provided it is safe to do so

ON HEARING THE ALARM:

- 1. Leave the building by the nearest exit
- 2. Close all the doors behind you
- 3. Report to the Courtyard at the back of the building



Do not take risks Do not stop to collect belongings Do not return to the building until authorised to do so Do not use the lifts

Fire evacuation procedure

Busy Bees Day Centre

FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE

On hearing the fire alarm:

- The secretary will phone 999 to alert the fire brigade.
- All other staff will be involved in the evacuation of the children. You should not stop
 to collect personal belongings. Instruct any parents or visitors to accompany you
 and the children in your care to Assembly point 1 in the courtyard at the rear of the
 building.
- Staff on breaks should return to their own group room to help evacuate the children, if safe to do so. Kitchen staff should make their way directly to the crèche to help take babies to the assembly point.
- Evacuation is to proceed by the nearest available fire exit. Staff and children in the Pre-nursery area are to evacuate via the Dining room or the Main entrance to avoid congesting the Crèche.
- All children are to be escorted quickly and calmly to Assembly point 1 in the Courtyard at the rear of the building. If this area is found to be unsafe, Assembly point 2 outside the Main entrance is to be used instead.
- Any staff evacuating the building via the Main entrance or the Kitchen should proceed by the nearest safe route to Assembly point 1 in the Courtyard (or Assembly point 2 if appropriate) to help with control of the children.

Under no circumstances are children to be left unattended at any time

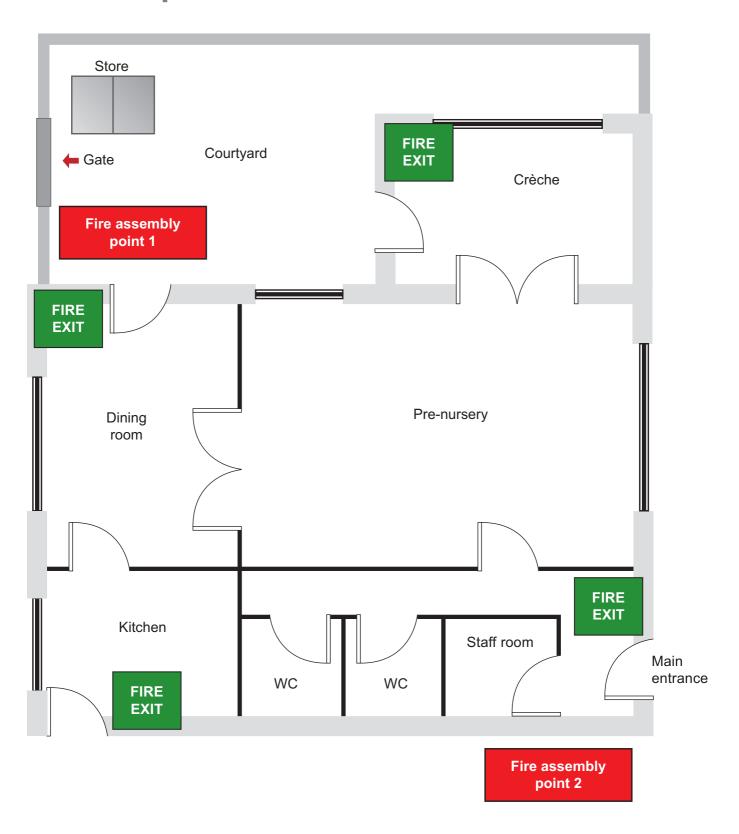
- The secretary shall be responsible for ensuring that they are in possession of the 'In and Out forms'.
- The Supervisor and Deputy Supervisor will leave after ensuring that no child is left in any area, toilets or corridor and that doors are closed as they go.
- The Supervisor / Deputy Supervisor shall be responsible for carrying out a roll call
 of staff and children.
- Once the roll call has been completed, the Deputy Supervisor shall proceed to the Building Control Point (see site plan) to advise the Building Controller that the Day centre is clear.
- If any person is unaccounted for, this will be reported to the Building Controller so that the Fire Rescue Team can be advised and a search effected.

Staff must not re-enter the building under any circumstances





Floor plan







Fire activity cards



In the Kitchen



By the fire exit in the Crèche



By the double doors in the Dining room



By the fire exit in the Dining room



By the single door in the Pre-nursery



In the Staff room



Just inside the Main entrance



By the double doors in the Pre-nursery



In the toilets



Inside the Store in the Courtyard

You worked all morning in the **Crèche**. You are taking your lunch break in the **Staff room**.

You hear the fire alarm.

You're in the **Dining**room with a group
of toddlers. You
look towards the **Kitchen** and see a
fire.

Nobody has sounded the fire alarm.

You are in the **Prenursery** working with a group of children.

You hear the fire alarm.

You have escorted two children to the **toilets**. The rest of the group are in the **Pre-nursery**.

You hear the fire alarm.

You are in the **Crèche**. A visitor who has a baby in the Crèche and a child in the Prenursery is with you.

You hear the fire alarm.

You worked all morning in the **Pre-nursery**. You are in the **Staff room** when the toaster sets on fire.

Nobody has sounded the fire alarm.

You are in the **Courtyard** supervising two babies. The other babies are asleep in the Crèche.

You hear the fire

You are working with the children in **Pre-nursery**. You go to the **Kitchen** to get some paper towels.

You hear the fire alarm.

It's morning. You're just inside the **Main entrance**. Three children from **Prenursery** are with you. Everyone else is outside.

You hear the fire

You worked all day in the **Crèche**. All the babies have gone home. You are about to sign the 'Out' book in the **Staff room**.

You hear the fire alarm.



Question cards

Which service do you require – fire, police or ambulance?

What number are you calling from?

What's your name please, caller?

What's the nature of the emergency?

How old is the child?

What's the location of the emergency?

Is the casualty conscious?

Have you moved the casualty or given any first aid?

Emergency role-play cards

Emergency!

CARD 1

A four-year-old child in your care has been stung on the neck by a bee. His skin is blotchy and his face and neck are swelling up badly. He is having problems breathing and his pulse is very rapid. You think he is going into shock.

He is conscious at the moment. You have sat him down on the settee but have not given him any first aid. You are calling from the work phone.

Emergency!

CARD 2

You have found a three-year-old child in your care lying at the bottom of the stairs. You think she has fallen down them. She is still breathing and is bleeding from a cut on the head.

She is unconscious but you are afraid to move her in case she has a neck injury. You are calling from your mobile phone.



Accident true/false game

For legal reasons, accident report forms should be kept for 21 years. Accidents do not need to be reported if there were no injuries.

All work places should carry out a risk assessment to identify any possible hazards.

More children die each year from serious illnesses such as leukaemia or meningitis than from accidents.

The largest number of non-fatal injuries happen when children cut themselves.

Around half of accidents to children happen in the home.

Burns happen more often than scalds and the most frequent cause of injury is hot rings on cookers.

Road accidents cause the largest number of serious injuries and deaths to children.

Girls tend to have more accidents than boys.

One of the most common types of playground injury is strangulation, when children's clothing, such as scarves or cords, catches on equipment.

A near miss, or accident that almost happened, should still be reported.

Parents should be informed about any accidents that happen to their children.





Accident report form

ACCIDENT REPORT
Date:
Time:
Name of child:
Details:
Action taken:
Action taken.
Follow up observations:
Person dealing with the accident:
Witness(es):
Nursery Manager's signature:
Parent's signature:



Incident report form

INCIDENT	REPORT
Name of child	Date
Incident description	
Any action needed	
Parent's signature	
Manager's signature	
Person noticing incident	Witness





Accident form for parent/guardian

Accident form for parent/guardian PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS USING BLACK INK To be completed by the registered person in charge Name of child First names: __ Date and time of accident Date: ______ Time: _____ Location of accident **Description of accident** Witnesses to accident: _____ **Description of injury Action taken Treatment given** At what stage was parent/guardian informed? ______ To be completed by the parent/guardian of the injured child I confirm that I have been informed of the accident to my child. Signed by parent/guardian: _____ Date: _____



Accident information cards

The child was running round and tripped over a toy on the ground.

The accident happened today.

The accident happened at a quarter past nine this morning.

The accident happened in the playground.

The name of the child who had the accident is Pauline Jones.

The child grazed her right knee.

You washed the wound and applied antiseptic cream and a plaster.

Your colleague, Steven Price, witnessed the accident.

You informed Pauline's mother of the accident when she picked her up at half past three this afternoon.

You checked her leg first to make sure she could move it and there were no broken bones or strains.



Incident and accident checklists

Incident checklist

You are going to practise describing an incident that has happened or might happen to a child in your care.

Include information about:

- the name of the child
- the date of the incident
- where it took place
- what happened
- if there were any witnesses
- any further action you think is needed.

Accident checklist

You are going to practise describing an accident that has happened or might happen to a child in your care.

Include information about:

- the name of the child
- the time of the accident
- the date
- where it took place
- what happened
- the injuries the child suffered
- the action you took
- if there were any witnesses
- any follow-up observations you think might be needed.





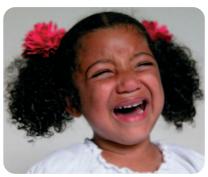
Body language examples

Facial expressions













Gesture









Posture











Body language table

Good body language	Bad body language
Eye contact	
	Looking bored and yawning





Situation cards

1 Time pressure

A parent wants immediate assurance from you that her child is settling in. You are already late for an important appointment but the parent won't leave without some information.

2 Physical barriers

A child has locked himself in the toilet and you need to keep him calm until help arrives.

3 Language differences

You need to explain why you are taking the children on a visit to a museum to a parent who does not speak English very well.

4 Mood and attitude

You are making a request to your manager about going on some training courses. Your manager appears to be negative and not at all helpful.

5 Personality clashes

You and a colleague have been asked to organise a children's activity as part of a training exercise. Unfortunately, you both want to lead the activity and can't agree on the way to run it.

6 Background noise

You are trying to speak to a child who is hitting other children. There is a lot of noise in the room but you cannot leave the room or make it quieter.

7 Cultural variation

You are speaking to a South Asian parent about the medication his child is on. He does not look at you at all while you are talking.

For each card, discuss:

- what the communication problems are
- what you might do to resolve the situation.



Positive message role-play cards

Persuasive instruction

You want a colleague to get something from the other room for you.

Decide what you want your colleague to get and why.

How would you persuade your colleague to fetch the item?

Consequences

A child in the nursery keeps hitting other children.

How would you explain the consequences of the behaviour to the child in a positive way?

Positive instruction

A child in your nursery keeps taking things from other children during a play session.

How would you explain to the child about playing together in a positive way?

Reassurance

You are speaking to a parent whose child has just started the nursery. She is concerned that her child might not settle in.

How would you reassure the parent?

Negotiation

You are speaking to a parent of a child at your nursery who won't clear away toys after playing with them.

How can you persuade the parent to back up your own attempts to help the child to be tidier?

Offering solutions

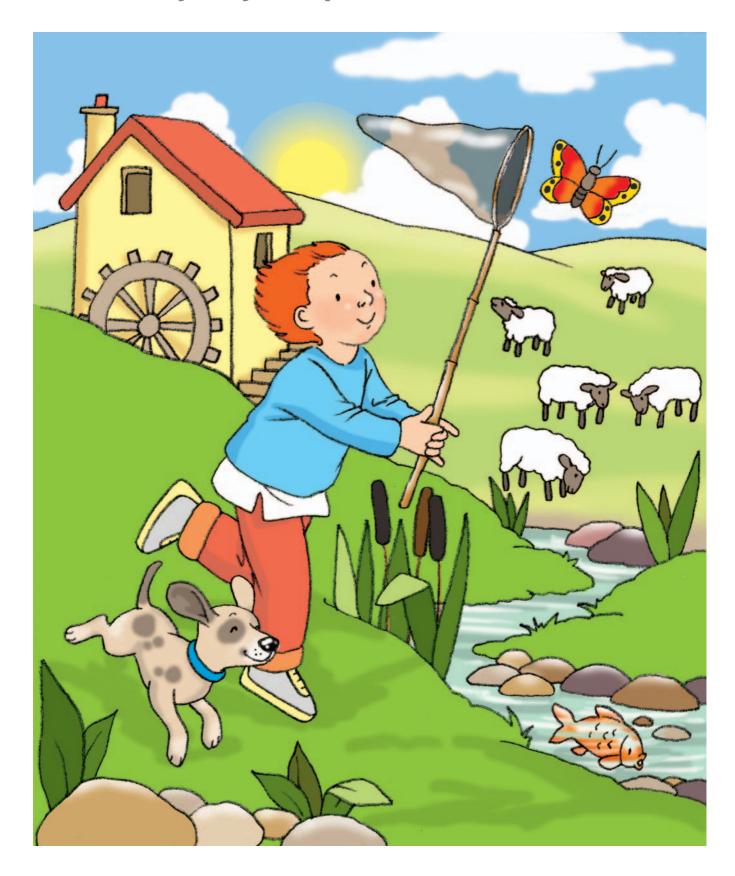
A trainee at your nursery is finding it difficult to use positive behaviour management and ends up shouting at the children inappropriately.

How could you deal with this situation?





Nursery rhyme picture







Storybook picture







Card 1 - nursery assistant

Find out the following things from your partner:

- name
- address and postcode
- telephone numbers at work and at home
- child's name
- child's date of birth
- whether the child has any allergies and if there are any foods the child must not eat for religious, health or other reasons.

Card 2 – parent

You must not give any information that your partner does not ask you for.

Your child is called Kathryn and was born on 21 March 2001. She does not have any allergies but recently she has reacted to anything with eggs in it. The doctor has suggested that she stops eating eggs.

Use your own personal details for any other information you are asked for.

Card 3 - parent

You must not give any information that your partner does not ask you for.

Your child is called Jacob and was born on 5 April 2001.

He is allergic to nuts. For religious reasons, your son should not eat pork or pork products.

Use your own personal details for any other information you are asked for.





Interrupt your partner to ask questions as often as you can. They don't need to be sensible questions. Don't look at your partner at all. Look out of the window or at the wall opposite.

Wait until your partner has finished talking, then say, 'Do you think it's going to rain today?'

Be interested in what your partner says and ask questions to show that you are interested.

Use good body language to show that you are interested, but only say 'yes' or 'uh-huh' in response to what they say.

Wait until your partner has finished speaking, then say, 'Sorry. Can you repeat all that again?'



Active listening skills table

	My active li	stening skills	
Things I am good at: (give an example situation)		Things I need to improve on:	



Fact or opinion quiz

Fact or Opinion?

Circle your answer.

1	Smoking is bad for your health.	Fact	Opinion
2	Smoking is a disgusting habit.	Fact	Opinion
3	Young people drink too much.	Fact	Opinion
4	Women hate football.	Fact	Opinion
5	Paris is the capital of France.	Fact	Opinion
6	Swimming is a healthy form of exercise.	Fact	Opinion
7	Pop singers all sound the same.	Fact	Opinion
8	Some people are naturally taller than others.	Fact	Opinion
9	Learner drivers cannot drive on motorways.	Fact	Opinion
10	Learner drivers should be allowed to drive on motorways.	Fact	Opinion

Check your choices against the 'Answers' on page 245. Give yourself a point for each one you got correct, then add up your score.

Add up your score out of 10.



Did you mistake some opinions for facts? If so, you might have mistaken them for facts because:

- you agree with the point
- the point sounds reasonable
- the language used makes it sound like a fact
- you can give an example from your experience
- you can't imagine why anyone would disagree with the point made.





Fact and opinion table

Sorting in	formation
Fact	Opinion





Initial observations form

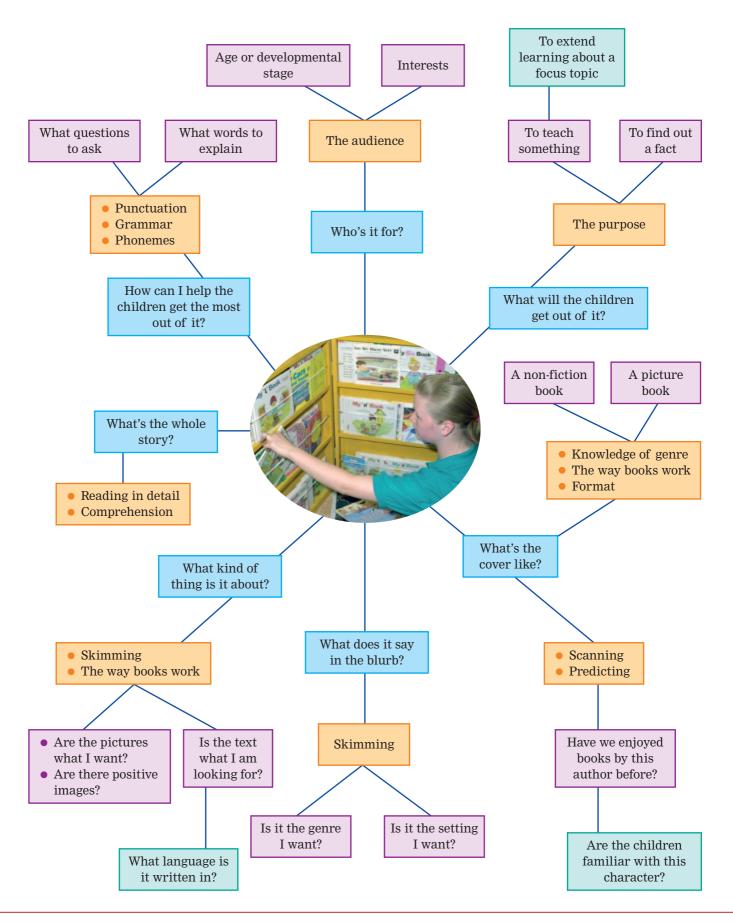
Nursery/Reception Class

Initial Observations

Setting staff should carry out initial observations during the first month a child attends nursery/reception class

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Parting from care	er/independence within nursery/reception class
Social skills	a) with other children
	b) with staff
Special interests	/use of time
Large (gross) mo	otor skills
Small (fine) moto	r skills
Story/book skills	
Language/comm	unication skills
Additional comm	ents

Spidergram







Phonemes

There are 44 phonemes in English.

		Vov	vel phonemes		
Phoneme	Examples				
a	cat				
e	peg	bread			
i	pig	wanted			
О	log	want			
u	pl <mark>u</mark> g	love			
ae	pain	day	gate	station	
ee	sweet	heat	thief	these	bab <mark>y</mark>
ie	tried	light	my	shine	mind
oe	road	blow	bone	cold	
ue	moon	blue	grew	tune	
00	look	w <mark>ou</mark> ld	p <mark>u</mark> t		
ar	cart	fast (regional)			
ur	burn	first	term	heard	work
or	torn	door	warn (regional)		
au	haul	law	call		
er	wood <mark>e</mark> n	circus		sister	
ow	d <mark>ow</mark> n	sh <mark>ou</mark> t			
oi	coin	boy			
air	stairs	bear	hare		
ear	fear	beer	here		

	C	onsonant	phonem	es		
Phoneme	Examples					
b	<mark>b</mark> aby					
d	dog					
f	field	photo				
g h	game					
h	<mark>h</mark> at					
j	judge	giant		bar <mark>ge</mark>		
k	cook	quick		mix		Chris
I	lamb					
m	<mark>m</mark> onkey		comb			
n	nut	knife		gnat		
р	paper					
r	rabbit	wrong				
S	sun	mouse		<u>ci</u> ty		science
t	t ap					
V	van					
W	was					
wh	where (regional)					
у	yes					
Z	zebra	please		is		
th	then	thin				
ch	<u>ch</u> ip	watch				
sh	ship	mission			chef	
zh	treasure					
ng	ring	si <mark>n</mark> k				



Short story

A Real Treat!

Tom was very happy. It was the weekend and he was off to the beach with his mum and dad, his puppy and baby Pete.

'Help me pack the green bag,' said Mum. 'We need sun cream and lots to eat.'

Tom got into his seat in the back of the car and the puppy got on his knee. Pete held his toy sheep. Off they went. Beep! Beep!

At the end of the street there was a big truck. It had lost a wheel. 'Oh no,' said Tom. 'We'll be here for a week!'

Dad went to speak to the driver to see if he could help. They put the wheel back on. Then Dad said, 'I must hurry, we need to get to the beach.'

At last they got to the sea. Tom and Pete had an ice cream. Mum and Dad had a cup of tea. The puppy went to sleep under a tree.







Window, page 3







Window, page 8





Gingerbread man activities

The Gingerbread Man - telling the story

- ➤ Talk about the cover. Ask the children what they think the story might be about.
- Go through the book and point out the main characters. Tell the children the names of the characters
- ➤ Read the story and encourage them to join in with the catchphrase, 'Run, run, as fast as you can ...'.
- Model reading from left to right and turning the pages.
- Use different voices, speeds and tone in appropriate sections of the book.

- Select suitable places to ask children to predict what is going to happen next.
- ➤ At the end of the story, ask questions to check the children have understood the plot.
- ➤ Expand the children's answers into sentences.
- ➤ Look at and name shapes in the pictures.
- ➤ Use words to describe the relative positions of the characters in the pictures.
- ➤ Explore concepts such as 'bigger than' and 'faster than'.

The Gingerbread Man – additional activities

- Role-play the story with children as key characters.
- ➤ Use puppets to retell the story.
- ➤ Ask children to retell the story in their own way.
- ➤ Ask children about the feelings of the different characters in the book.
- ➤ Count the characters chasing the gingerbread man.
- ➤ Use the catchphrase to invent phrases for other creatures and act them out.
- Cook gingerbread men.
 - Weigh the ingredients.
 - Set the oven temperature.
 - Set a timer for the end of cooking time.
 - Count how many gingerbread men go in to and come out of the oven.
 - Read and follow instructions for a recipe.
 - Sequence the recipe instructions orally.
 - Sequence the written recipe instructions.
- Read and follow instructions to make finger puppets.
- Sequence pictures to order the story.
- Sequence words to make sentences from the story.
- ➤ Make a 3D model of the map in the story and get children to re-enact the story with small figures.
- ➤ Hot seat the key characters.
- > Set up the home corner as a kitchen for making gingerbread men.
- ➤ Use small world equipment to replicate the story.
- Make a story sack of the book.

- Use speech-bubbles for writing dialogue from the story.
- ➤ Label ingredients for making gingerbread men.
- ➤ Make shopping lists for making gingerbread men.
- ➤ Where is the gingerbread man now? Photograph the gingerbread man next to familiar local places.
- ➤ Read non-fiction books about the different animals in the story.
- ➤ Imitate the movement of the different animals in the story.
- ➤ Use music (e.g. Carnival of the Animals, Peter and the Wolf) to retell a story.
- ➤ Play sound lotto to distinguish between the different animals in the story.
- Use paired talk to discuss dilemmas raised by the story.
- Visit a local baker/supermarket to buy some gingerbread men.
- ➤ Hide cut-out gingerbread-men shapes outside and have a gingerbread-man hunt.
- ➤ Paint pictures of a chosen character.
- Draw a gingerbread man, copying an example from the book.
- ➤ Arrange 10 different sized gingerbread men cutouts in order of size.
- ➤ Arrange 10 different numbered gingerbread men cut-outs in order.
- ➤ Give each gingerbread man the correct number of buttons to correspond with his number.
- ➤ Give each gingerbread man the correct number of eyes and count them in batches.

NNS extract 1

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Early learning goal/ Key objective Counting and recognising numbers page 30-33 Counting and recognising numbers page 22-29 Counting and recognising numbers page 12-21 Early addition and subtraction page 34-39 Early addition and subtraction page 40-43 Early addition and subtraction page 44-47 Green band Shape and space page 62-65 Shape and space page 66-69 Shape and space page 70-71 Reception booklet Measures page 48-53 Measures page 54-55 Measures page 58-61 Blue band Green band Counting and recognising numbers page 28-37 Counting and recognising numbers page 18-27 Counting and recognising numbers page 8-17 Early addition and subtraction page 42-45 Early addition and subtraction page 46-49 Early addition and subtraction page 38-41 Blue band Shape and space page 68-71 Shape and space page 72-78 Shape and space page 66-67 Measures page 50-53 Nursery booklet Measures page 54-59 Measures page 60-65 Yellow band Stepping stones Small group activities Planned play and cooking Large group activities activities

	Counting and recognising numbers	Early addition and subtraction	Measures	Shape and space
Early Learning Goals	Say and use the number names in order in familiar contexts. Count reliably up to 10 everyday objects. Recognise numerals 1 to 9. Use developing mathematical ideas and methods to solve practical problems.	In practical activities and discussion, begin to to use the vocabulary involved in adding and subtracting. Find one more or one less than a number from 1 to 10. Begin to relate addition to combining two groups of objects, and subtraction to 'taking away'. Use developing mathematical ideas and methods to solve practical problems.	Use language such as circle or bigger to describe the shape and size of solids and flat shapes. Use developing mathematical ideas and methods to solve practical problems.	Talk about, recognise and recreate simple patterns. Use language such as circle or bigger to describe the shape and size of solids and flat shapes. Use everyday words to describe position.

Extract from *The National Numeracy Strategy –* Mathematical activities for the Foundation Stage – Nursery (DfES 2002)

An Overview of the Foundation Stage Activities



NNS extract 2

Framework for Teaching Mathematics from Reception to Year 6

Year 2

Count, read, write and order whole numbers to at least 100; know what each digit represents (including 0 as a place holder).

- Describe and extend simple number sequences (including odd/even numbers counting on or back in ones or tens from any two-digit number, and so on).
 - Understand that subtraction is the inverse of addition; state the subtraction corresponding to a given addition and vice versa.
- Know by heart all addition and subtraction facts for each number to at least 10.

- Use knowledge that addition can be done in any order to do mental calculations more efficiently.
- Understand the operation of multiplication as repeated addition or as describing an array.
 - Know and use halving as the inverse of doubling.
- Estimate, measure and compare lengths, masses and capacities, using Know by heart facts for the 2 and 10 multiplication tables.
- Read a simple scale to the nearest labelled division, including using a ruler to standard units; suggest suitable units and equipment for such measurements. draw and measure lines to the nearest centimetre.
- Use the mathematical names for common 2-D and 3-D shapes; sort shapes and describe some of their features.
- Use mathematical vocabulary to describe position, direction and movement.
- Choose and use appropriate operations and efficient calculation strategies to solve problems, explaining how the problem was solved.

Say and use the number names in order in familiar contexts.

Reception

Count reliably up to 10 everyday objects.

compare two numbers or quantities

adding and subtracting.

Use language such as more or less, greater or smaller, heavier or lighter, to

- In practical activities and discussion, begin to use the vocabulary involved in Find one more or one less than a number from 1 to 10.
- Begin to relate addition to combining two groups of objects, and subtraction to

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- Talk about, recognise and recreate simple patterns.
- Use language such as circle or bigger to describe the shape and size of solids and flat shapes.

Use developing mathematical ideas and methods to solve practical problems

Use everyday words to describe position.

Year 1

Count reliably at least 20 objects.

- Count on and back in ones from any small number, and in tens from and back
 - Read, write and order numbers from 0 to at least 20; understand and use the vocabulary of comparing and ordering these numbers
- Within the range 0 to 30, say the number that is 1 or 10 more or less than any given number. +
- Understand the operation of addition, and of subtraction (as 'take away' or
 - 'difference'), and use the related vocabulary.
- Know by heart all pairs of numbers with a total of 10.
- subtraction, doubling and halving, explaining methods and reasoning orall Use mental strategies to solve simple problems using counting, addition,
- Compare two lengths, masses or capacities by direct comparison
- Suggest suitable standard or uniform non-standard units and measuring
- equipment to estimate, then measure, a length, mass or capacity

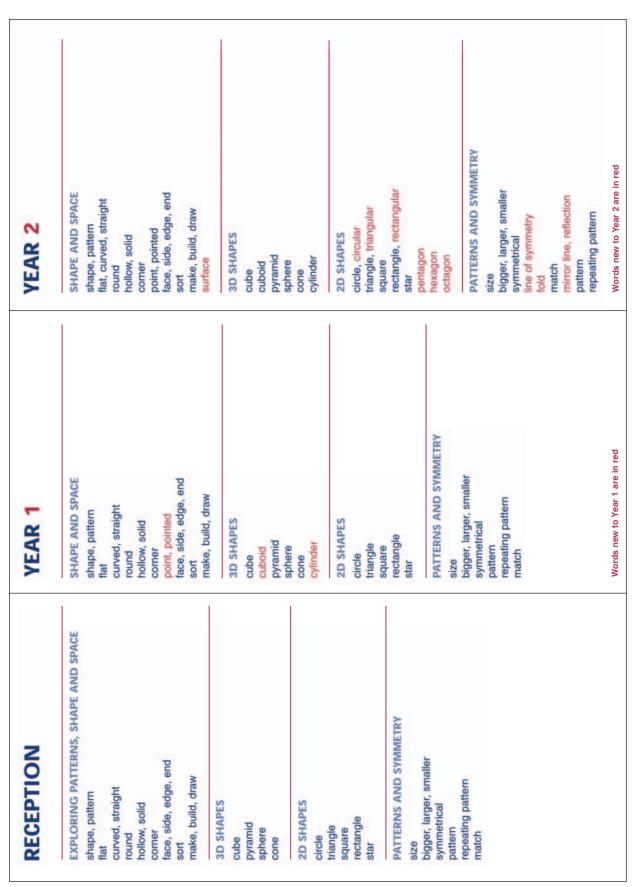
Use everyday language to describe features of familiar 3-D and 2-D shapes.

teaching mathematics from Reception to Year 6

Key objectives

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NNS mathematical vocabulary

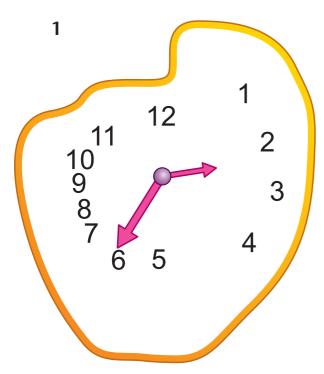


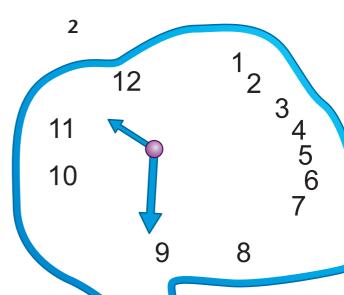
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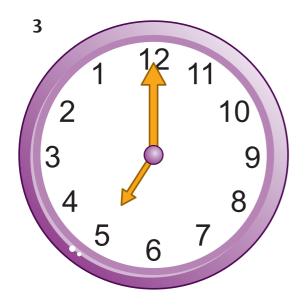


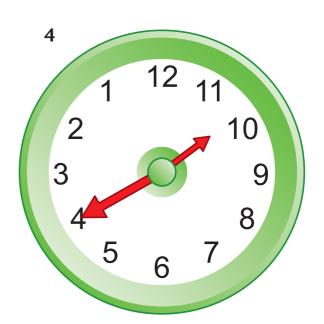


Odd clocks











Sources of information

How can you improve your literacy and numeracy skills?

Websites

www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise

www.bbc.co.uk/keyskills

www.bbc.co.uk/learning/returning

www.standards.dfes.gov.uk/literacy/profdev/selfstudy/

www.standards.dfes.gov.uk/numeracy/profdev/selfstudy/

www.dfes.gov.uk/readwriteplus/skillsforwork

Skills for Life materials

Contact your local college to see if they run any courses that would be of help to you.

Your teacher may be able to put you in touch with sources of help.



Glossary

abbreviation a shortened form of a word or phrase abbreviate cut short or reduce acceptance in agreement with accurate correct and precise adhere to stick to, follow closely adjective a word that describes somebody or something (e.g. tall, slimy) adult:child ratio description of the number of adults required to look after a number of children (1:3 means 1 adult for every 3 children) adverb a word that gives extra meaning to a verb (e.g. quickly, quietly) aggressive hostile, not friendly alliteration a phrase where several closely connected words begin with the same phoneme (e.g. free phone; Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled pepper; slithering snake) alphabet the letters used to form words alternative another option or choice apostrophe a punctuation mark showing that some letters have been left out of a word (e.g. can't meaning cannot); can also indicate that something is owned by somebody (e.g. Harold's jumper) applied put on appropriate suitable for the situation aptitude talent for doing something aspect a part of something, a feature; several aspects together make the complete picture assess measure, evaluate assessment judgement, evaluation (e.g. of how a child is progressing in accordance with development goals or other criteria) assist help at least not less than auditory discrimination hearing the difference between two words biography the life story of a person written by somebody else (an autobiography is someone's own account of their life story) **blending** combining – the process of combining phonemes into syllables and words blockage obstruction, something that is in the way blurb the information on the back cover or inside flap of a book that tells the reader about the genre, setting, etc. breach break

capacity the amount of liquid that a container will hold; the standard metric units for measuring capacity are millilitres and litres centimetre metric unit for measuring length; 1 centimetre = 10 millimetres; 100 cm = 1 metre child psychologist a doctor who specialises in children's mental health circular shaped like a circle; round closed body language sitting or standing in a position where the body is covered or protected (e.g. folding the arms across the chest) colleague fellow worker; someone you work with combination mixture committed dedicated; wanting to do well communication listening, speaking and non-verbal cues (gestures, body language) compare to look for things that are the same and things that are different competence ability, skill at a particular level comply with obey, meet the terms of component a small part; many components go together to make up something bigger comprehension understanding (e.g. of a text) compression pushing down on something compromise change; agreement reached by parties in resolving a conflict that has involved both parties making concessions (i.e. accepting less than they desired) compulsory essential, something that must be done concept idea cone a 3-dimensional shape with a flat circular base; its top is pointed and its sides are curved confident self-assured, positive confidential private or secret; not to be shared confirm check or prove; agree confrontation fight or argument consequence result of certain actions; what happens after something has happened consolidate strengthen, build up consonant any of the letters of the alphabet except the vowels (a, e, i, o, u) constant all the time, continually contaminate infect or pollute contents list/page a list of what is in a book or magazine and the page numbers where the information can be found context situation contract of employment legal document that sets out the details of your job role, holiday entitlement, pension, etc.

brief short and to the point

budget amount of money available to spend



contribute join in; add ideas

corner the meeting point of two sides of a shape (e.g. a square has four corners)

correspondence matching two separate types of information (e.g. a phoneme with a grapheme)

criterion (plural **criteria**) a standard or principle by which something is judged

criticism a comment showing disapproval of someone or something

cube a three-dimensional shape with six equal-sized square faces

cuboid a three-dimensional shape with six faces; opposite sides are equal in size

cultural belonging to a particular culture or ethnic race

curriculum (plural **curricula**) a programme of work; the subjects/elements making up a course of study

curve a smooth continuous line; not straight cylinder a three-dimensional object; its ends are equal-sized circles that are parallel to each other; the diameter is constant along the length

dash punctuation mark (–) used to join words or phrases

decode translate a written word into a spoken word degrees Celsius (°C) widely used temperature scale in which the freezing point of water is 0°C and the boiling point is 100°C

degrees Fahrenheit (°F) 'old-fashioned' temperature scale in which the freezing point of water is 32°F

delegate share or give out

depress press or push

diagram a drawing that explains something in a text or shows the components of something

different cultures different backgrounds and different ways of life

digital display an accurate readout given in numbers

discuss talk about

dislodge remove something that has become stuck disposable designed to be thrown away after use disposition character, personality, nature, temperament

distracting off-putting; making it difficult to concentrate

ditto the same again

duties things you have to do as part of your job

e.g. 'for example' (from the Latin 'exempli gratia')
early learning goals the levels of different
competencies that most children are expected to
reach by the end of the foundation stage

Early years practitioner an adult who works with children

edge the boundary or side of a shape or object **efficient** well-organised; capable

empathy understanding of another person's thoughts and feelings

emphasis stress put on something (e.g. during speech)

emphasise stress, call attention to something **en route** on the way, while travelling

ensure make sure

equal the same size

equipment tools or devices

establish determine, find out

estimate a sensible guess

etc. 'and the rest' (from the Latin 'et cetera')

evacuate to remove all people from a place such as a building

evacuation the process of removing all people from a place such as a building

evaluate consider, think about

exit way out

external outside

face the surface of an three-dimensional shape **fiction** a text that is invented by the author

flat smooth, even and level surface

flexible able to adapt to different circumstances and situations

fluency smoothness and confidence

fold to turn over (e.g. you can fold a piece of paper)

formal official; correct and proper

format the way a text is arranged or presented (e.g. in a book, leaflet, poster or using headings, subheadings and bullet points)

framework an outline of the things that should be taught to different age groups of children, allowing development

frequent happening often

gender sex – male or female

genre type of text; different genres have their own characteristics (examples include science fiction, short stories, encyclopaedia, etc.)

gestures signs and signals made with the upper body such as the hands or arms (e.g. shrugging to mean 'I don't know')

glossary a list of specialist words used in a text, together with their meanings

grammar the rules that govern the relationships between words in the language

grapheme a sound (phoneme) represented in writing



graphic picture, image or illustration **guidelines** written texts that describe the correct way to do things

half one of two equal parts

half an hour period of time equal to 30 minutes

halve divide into two equal parts

hazard risk or danger

hexagon a two-dimensional shape with six sides **hollow** not solid – an object is hollow if it has a space or cavity within it (e.g. a pipe)

homonyms words with the same spelling and pronunciation but different meanings (e.g. row)

homophones words that have the same sound as other ones but different spellings or meanings (e.g. there, their, they're)

hour a unit of time; 60 minutes = 1 hour
hyphen punctuation mark (-) that joins words
together

i.e. 'that is' (from the Latin 'id est')

illustration a picture that accompanies some text imperative command or instruction word in accordance with in line with, in agreement with in association with alongside, together with inappropriate unsuitable, incorrect

incentive something that will encourage you to do something

index an alphabetical list of what is in a text and the page numbers where the information can be found

indicate suggest or show

informal casual, relaxed

ingestion eating

inhalation breathing in

initial first, straight away, early

initiate start, begin

interact work together, cooperate

intonation the rise and fall of a voice when speaking; the way a voice changes to express emotions such as fear and happiness

invade occupy or intrude (used when talking about personal space)

jargon language used by a particular profession or interest group; may include vocabulary that is unfamiliar to those outside the group

job description a document that lists the job title and the responsibilities of a particular job and the skills and qualifications required to do the job

judgmental making decisions or having opinions; having an excessively critical point of view (e.g. making a decision about someone based on an observation of their behaviour)

key objective main purpose; descriptions given in a framework or curriculum to summarise the main goals or aims

labelled division the marks on a scale that have numbers next to them

legal lawful, following the law

length a measure applied to distance; measured in millimetres, centimetres and metres

liaise communicate with, get together with **limit** restriction

line manager the member of staff who is directly in charge of you and your work

line of symmetry a line that divides a shape into two mirror images; you can check for a line of symmetry by folding a shape in half to see if the two halves match, or by placing a mirror over half of the shape to see if the reflected half is the same

linguistic to do with language

literacy reading and understanding, writing to communicate, speaking, listening and responding **litre** metric unit for measuring capacity; 1 litre =

1000 millilitres **location** place

maintain continue, keep up

malleable soft and flexible, able to be mouldedmass a measure of how much of an object there actually is; measured in grams and kilograms

match put with other things that are the same; make a pair

maximum the most or highest amount

mental calculations sums that you work out in your head

metaphor figure of speech in which something is described as if it were something else (e.g. he is an ass, she is magic)

millilitre metric unit for measuring capacity; 1 litre = 1000 millilitres

minimum the least or the smallest amount **minute** a unit of time; 60 minutes = 1 hour;

1 minute = 60 seconds

mirror line line on a shape on which you place a mirror to test for lines of symmetry

monitor to keep a continual check on something **motivate** make enthusiastic, stimulate

nearest closest, next

negative 1 off-putting, unenthusiastic

2 (in numbers) below zero

negotiate consult; discuss

negotiation skills skills to help people consider the points of view of others and come to a solution to the problems that exist between them



nervous anxious, worried

non-discriminatory fair, doesn't highlight

differences between people

non-fiction text that is factual

non-standard something that is not standard

non-standard units measures that are not agreed throughout a community and might vary in size from place to place (e.g. a mugful is a non-standard unit because mugs are not all the same size)

non-verbal communication forms of communication that are visual rather than spoken (e.g. facial expressions or gestures)

noun a word that stands for somebody or something (e.g. house, John)

numeracy understanding and using, calculating and manipulating, interpreting and communicating mathematical information

objective 1 aim, goal

2 impartial, unbiased; not making any judgements or putting forward a particular opinion

observation watching and studying

observational skills ability to watch carefully to get information

observations comments or remarks

observe watch or study

octagon a two-dimensional shape with eight sides

OFSTED Office for Standards in Education (acronym)

onomatopoeia words that echo sounds associated with their meaning (e.g. clang, hiss, cuckoo)

onset and rime a way of dividing up words to support phonological awareness; words can be divided into opening sounds (onset) and the end sound unit (the rime) (e.g. p-ot, sp-ot, sl-ot, g-ot)

open body language sitting or standing in a position where the body is 'open' (e.g. spreading arms out wide)

opinion personal point of view
outgoing confident and sociable

paramount more important than anything elseparticipation taking part, joining inpattern a regular and predictable formpeer a person of the same age, status or ability as

peer a person of the same age, status or ability as another person

pentagon a two-dimensional shape with five sides **per** each; for every

persevere continue with, keep trying personal private, relating to an individual persuasive convincing and believable **phoneme** the smallest unit of sound in a word, represented by one or more letters (e.g. these words end in the same phoneme: to, too, two, blew, blue, threw, through)

phonological awareness the awareness and manipulation of sounds within words

phrase a group of words that go together (e.g. 'A
 big blue rabbit' is a phrase)

planning grid a table that allows you to plan several strands at once and make sure that you cover every aspect that you need to

point the place where two lines meet

policy guidelines showing the way that something should be done

positive 1 clear, encouraging and confident

2 (in numbers) above zero
positively in a helpful, encouraging way
posture the position of the body, pose
practitioner person actively involved in a profession

(e.g. Early years practitioner; general practitioner – family doctor, who deals with the general public)

preposition a word that goes with a noun and shows its relationship (e.g. time, position) to another noun or event (e.g. 'at', 'over', 'by', 'with')

present in attendance

prime main, first

principal head teacher; main

prior permission permission that was obtained on an earlier occasion

procedure the way something is done

profile outline, summary, report

promote encourage, provide help and support **punctuation** the marks made in writing (e.g. full stops, question marks, commas, speech marks, etc.) that separate words or pieces of text and make the meaning clear

pyramid a 3-dimensional shape with triangular sides that meet at the top; the base is usually a square or a triangle

quality a distinct characteristic or part of someone's personality

quantity amount

quarter 1 one of four equal parts

2 divide into four equal parts

quarter of an hour a period of time equal to 15 minutes

range extent

ratio a comparison (see adult:child ratio) reassure comfort and provide support for somebody so that they feel at ease



recruit employ, take on

rectangle a two-dimensional shape with four right angles and opposite sides of the same length

rectangular shaped like a rectangle

refund money that is paid back to somebody

reinforce emphasise, support

relevant appropriate to the situation

religious persuasion religious denomination, religious belief

refrain line or lines that are repeated many times in a song, story or poem (e.g. 'He huffed and he puffed ...' from the story of the three little pigs)

repeating pattern(s) a pattern that does the same thing over again

resolve answer, solve, sort out, find a solution to **respect** value and show consideration for

respond react, reply

responsibilities things you have to do as part of your job

resuscitation a first aid process of helping a person who has stopped breathing to start breathing again

reveal show, tell

rhyme when words share a final sound (e.g. had, bad, mad, lad)

rhythm a pattern of regular beats

rights things that you are legally entitled to

rime see 'onset and rime'

rota a list or table showing when people are to perform certain duties

sarcastic mocking

scale measuring device usually made up of points on a line with equal intervals

scan to look over a text quickly; look for information by searching for a key word

segmentation breaking down words into phonemes

select choose

sensitive aware of other people's feelings sentence construction the way words are put together so that they make sense

setting situation (e.g. local authority nursery, nursery centre, playgroup, pre-school, accredited child minder, schools in the independent, private or voluntary sector, maintained school, etc.)

severe very bad, serious

share divide into parts; give out to people
short vowel sound 'a' as in 'bag'; 'e' as in 'beg'; 'i'
as in 'big'; 'o' as in 'bog'; 'u' as in 'bug'

side the boundaries of a shape or object (e.g. the three sides of a triangle)

simile figure of speech in which the writer compares something to something else (e.g. as happy as a lark, as cold as ice)

size how big or small an object is

skill ability to do something

skim to read quickly to get the gist of a piece of text

solid a three-dimensional object that is not hollow **solution** answer to a problem

sort to order or arrange

specific particular, special

specified set out in detail

sphere a 3-dimensional shape that is round in every direction, like a ball

square a two-dimensional shape with four right angles and four sides of equal length

stamina staying power; endurance

standard an expected level of performance

standard units units for measuring that are agreed throughout a community (e.g. the litre is a standard unit for measuring liquids)

star a two-dimensional shape with five or more radiating points

stepping stones stages in the progress towards the early learning goals

stereotyping seeing something from just one point of view and not recognising people as individuals (e.g. racial stereotype – if you stereotype a French person, you might say that all French people wear berets, ride bicycles and carry onions; an example in an Early years setting is gender stereotyping – children might be stereotyped by saying that all boys like to play with cars and all girls like to play with dolls)

sterile clean and germ free

sternum breastbone (bone at the front of the chest, where the ribs meet)

stipulated set out, decided

straight not curved; running in the same direction for its whole length

strand continuous thread

strategy particular approach or way of doing something

subjective personal, biased; seeing things from your own point of view

summarise sum up, give the general meaning or point

supervise to look after, to take care of

supplement of examples an extra section with examples of what should be taught

surface the extent of a three-dimensional object; its face



sustain continue, keep going
sustained suffered or experienced
syllable a beat in a word (e.g. dog has 1 syllable;
barking has 2 syllables; dinosaur has 3 syllables)
symbols marks that have a particular meaning (e.g. & means 'and')

symmetrical an object that is symmetrical can be divided into two sides that match one another exactly (mirror images of each other)

technique method

temporarily for a short period of time **text** any form of written communication – written, spoken, electronic

thermometer instrument used to measure temperature

three-quarters of an hour a period of time equal to 45 minutes

tolerant patient, open minded

triangle a two-dimensional shape with three sides and three angles

triangular shaped like a triangle

underpin support
up to not more than

verb a doing, being or action word (e.g. jump, sing)

verbally in spoken words

vicinity surrounding area, neighbourhood

visual discrimination seeing the difference between written words or letters

vocabulary words that make up a language **vocation** career, job, occupation

vowels the letters 'a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u' (and sometimes 'y')

vulnerable weak, defenceless, exposed

withdrawn quiet and unsociable