Education Scotland Benchmarks with CEC Progression Pathways

Literacy and English

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Education Scotland Guidance on using Benchmarks for Assessment



Education Scotland's <u>Curriculum for Excellence (CfE) Statement for Practitioners</u> (Aug 2016) stated that the two key resources which support practitioners to plan learning, teaching and assessment are:

- Experiences and Outcomes
- Benchmarks

Benchmarks have been developed to provide clarity on the national standards expected within each curriculum area at each level. They set out clear lines of progression in literacy and English and numeracy and mathematics, and across all other curriculum areas from Early to Fourth Levels (First to Fourth Levels in Modern Languages). Their purpose is to make clear what learners need to know, and be able to do to progress through the levels, and to support consistency in teachers' and other practitioners' professional judgements.

Skills development is integrated into the Benchmarks to support greater shared understanding. An understanding of skills and how well they are developing will enable learners to make links between their current learning and their future career options and employment.

Benchmarks draw together and streamline a wide range of previous assessment guidance (including significant aspects of learning, progression frameworks and annotated exemplars) into one key resource to support teachers' and other practitioners' professional judgement of children and young people's progress across all curriculum areas.

Benchmarks have been designed to support professional dialogue as part of the moderation process to assess where children and young people are in their learning. They will help to support holistic assessment approaches across learning. They should not be ticked off individually for assessment purposes.

Benchmarks for literacy and numeracy should be used to support teachers' professional judgement of achievement of a level. In other curriculum areas, Benchmarks support teachers and other practitioners to understand standards and identify children's and young people's next steps in learning. Evidence of progress and achievement will come from a variety of sources including:

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- observing day-to-day learning within the classroom, playroom or working area;
- observation and feedback from learning activities that takes place in other environments, for example, or on work placements;
- coursework, including tests;
- learning conversations;
- planned periodic holistic assessment; and
- information from standardised assessment.

Benchmarks in curriculum areas

Benchmarks in each curriculum area are designed to be concise and accessible, with sufficient detail to communicate clearly the standards expected for each curriculum level.

Teachers and other practitioners can draw upon the Benchmarks to assess the knowledge, understanding, and skills for learning, life and work which children are developing in each curriculum area.

In secondary schools, Benchmarks can support subject specialist teachers in making robust assessments of learners' progress and the standards they achieve. They will help teachers ensure that learners make appropriate choices and are presented at an appropriate level for National Qualifications in the senior phase. This can help avoid excessive workload for teachers and unnecessary assessments for learners. For example, learners should have achieved relevant Fourth level Experiences and Outcomes before embarking on the National 5 qualifications. Schools should take careful account of this when options for S4 are being agreed. Benchmarks should be used to help with these important considerations.

Literacy and numeracy

In literacy and numeracy, Benchmarks support teachers' professional judgement of achievement of a level. Teachers' professional judgements will be collected and published at national, local and school levels. It is important that these judgements are robust and reliable. This can only be achieved through effective moderation of planning learning, teaching and assessment.

Achievement of a level is based on teacher professional judgement, well informed by a wide range of evidence. Benchmarks should be used to review the range of evidence gathered to determine if the expected standard has been achieved and the learner has:

- achieved a **breadth** of learning across the knowledge, understanding and skills as set out in the experiences and outcomes for the level;
- responded consistently well to the level of challenge set out in the Experiences and Outcomes for the level and has moved forward to learning at the next level in some aspects; and
- demonstrated **application** of what they have learned in new and unfamiliar situations.

It is not necessary for learners to demonstrate mastery of every individual aspect of learning within Benchmarks at a particular level and before moving on to the next level. However, it is important that there are no major gaps in children and young people's learning when looking across the major organisers in each curriculum area.

Planning learning, teaching and assessment using the Benchmarks

In addition to the <u>Curriculum for Excellence (CfE) Statement for Practitioners</u> from HM Chief Inspector of Education, August 2016, on the purpose and use of Benchmarks, teachers and other practitioners should note the following advice.

KEY MESSAGES – WHAT TO DO	KEY MESSAGES – WHAT TO AVOID
Use literacy and numeracy Benchmarks to help monitor progress towards achievement of a level, and to support overall professional judgement of when a learner has achieved a level.	 Avoid undue focus on individual Benchmarks which may result in over-assessing or recording of learners' progress.
Become familiar with other curriculum area Benchmarks over time.	Avoid the requirement to spend time collating excessive evidence to assess learners' achievement.
Use Benchmarks to help assess whether learners are making suitable progress towards the national standards expected and use the evidence to plan their next, challenging steps in learning.	 There is no need to provide curriculum level judgements in all curriculum areas stick to literacy and numeracy.
Discuss Benchmarks within and across schools to achieve a shared understanding of the national standards expected across curriculum areas.	 Do not create excessive or elaborate approaches to monitoring and tracking.
	 Do not assess Benchmarks individually. Plan periodic, holistic assessment of children and young people's learning.
	Do not tick off individual Benchmarks.

Early level Literacy and English

	Curriculum organisers	Experiences and Outcomes for planning learning, teaching and assessment			Benchmarks to support practitioners' professional judgement of achievement of a level
Listening and talking	Enjoyment and choice • within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	l enjoy exploring and playing with the patterns and sounds of language, and can use what I learn. LIT 0-01a / LIT 0-11a / LIT 0-20a l enjoy exploring and choosing stories and other texts to watch, read or listen to, and can share my likes and dislikes. LIT 0-01b / LIT 0-11b l enjoy exploring events and characters in stories and other texts, sharing my thoughts in different ways. LIT 0-01c	Recognises simple sound patterns ,rhyme and rhythm Is developing the ability to hear and articulate individual sounds in words. Chooses a favourite text to listen to or watch from a range of genres. Responds and makes some contribution to discussion of texts. Expresses likes and dislikes. Listens to stories, sings songs and says rhymes. Expresses feelings about them. Uses props to retell the main parts of a story. Retells repetitive parts of a story.	 Uses sound patterns, rhymes and rhythms Can hear and articulate individual sounds in words. Chooses and discusses a favourite text to listen to or watch from a range of genres. Responds and contributes to discussions of texts Expresses likes and dislikes and can say why. Takes an active part in storytelling sessions, singing and rhymes. Expresses feelings about them in different ways. Retells a story in different ways including role play, puppets and drawing. Retells the main points in a recount in the right order.	 Hears and says patterns in words. Hears and says rhyming words and generates rhyme from a given word. Hears and says the different single sounds made by letters. Hears and says letter blends/sounds made by a combination of letters. Participates actively in songs, rhymes and stories. Chooses a story or other texts for enjoyment, making use of the cover, title, author and/or illustrator. Engages with and enjoys watching, reading or listening to different texts, including stories, songs and rhymes, and can share likes and dislikes. Engages with stories and texts in different ways, for example, retelling/reenacting stories and/or using puppets/props.

2	Tools for listening and talking - to help me when interacting or presenting within and beyond my place of learning	As I listen and talk in different situations, I am learning to take turns and am developing my awareness of when to talk and when to listen. LIT 0-02a / ENG 0-03a	Is learning to join in and take turns when listening and talking. Makes eye contact when conversing with others. Is learning to make comments with some relevance on a chosen subject. Answers a simple question about what has been watched or listened to. Follows simple instructions. Listens to stories and expresses feelings about them.	Increasingly contributes and takes turns when listening and talking. Uses some appropriate body language when listening to others. Listens to a speaker and makes a comment or offers a contribution. Answers a few simple questions about what has been watched or listened to. Follows instructions of increasing complexity correctly. Expresses feelings about a text in different ways.	 Makes an attempt to take turns when listening and talking in a variety of contexts. Makes an attempt to use appropriate body language when listening to others, for example, eye contact. Listens and responds to others appropriately. Asks questions and responds relevantly to questions from others. Follows and gives simple instructions. Shares ideas with a wider audience, for example, group or class.
	Finding and using information - when listening to, watching and talking about texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary	I listen or watch for useful or interesting information and I use this to make choices or learn new things. LIT 0-04a	Listens or watches for useful information for a purpose. Is learning how to use this information to make choices or learn new things.	Gathers and conveys one or two pieces of information from watching or listening. Uses this information to make choices or learn new things. Can tell the difference between fiction and non-fiction texts.	 Understands and responds to spoken texts. Identifies new or interesting information from spoken texts.
	Understanding, analysing and evaluating - investigating and/or appreciating texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary for different purposes	To help me understand stories and other texts, I ask questions and link what I am learning with what I already know. LIT 0-07a / LIT 0-16a / ENG 0-17a	Is learning how to ask and answer a question about a text. Uses information in the text to predict what might happen next	Asks and answers questions about what is watched or listened to. Asks questions to predict what might happen next.	 Asks and answers questions about texts to show and support understanding. Makes simple predictions about texts.

Listening and talking

- applying the elements others use to create different types of short and extended texts with increasingly complex	Within real and imaginary situations, I share experiences and feelings, ideas and information in a way that communicates my	Talks about experiences and events. Retells familiar stories in a logical sequence. Shares news and other information.	Talks clearly and logically about experiences and events. Confidently shares news and other information. Explores ideas in a range of real	 Talks clearly to others in different contexts, sharing feelings, ideas and thoughts. Recounts experiences, stories and events in a
increasingly complex ideas, structures and vocabulary	communicates my message. LIT 0-09a I enjoy exploring events and characters in stories and other texts and I use what I learn to invent my own, sharing these with others in imaginative ways. LIT 0-09b / LIT 0-31a As I listen and take part in conversations and discussions, I discover new words and phrases	 information. Explores ideas in both real and imaginary contexts, including listening to and making stories. Is beginning to learn new words and phrases. Is beginning to listen to and take part in conversations and discussions. Retells experiences and events in a logical sequence. 	 Explores ideas in a range of real and imaginary contexts, including listening to and making stories. Uses new words and phrases. Listens to and takes part in conversations and discussions. Retells experiences and events in a logical sequence. Retells several familiar stories using own words. 	
	which I use to help me express my ideas, thoughts and feelings. LIT 0-10a	Retells a familiar story using own words.		

	Curriculum organisers	Experiences and Outcomes for planning learning, teaching and assessment			Benchmarks to support practitioners' professional judgement of achievement of a level
Reading	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I enjoy exploring and playing with the patterns and sounds of language and can use what I learn. LIT 0-01a / LIT 0-11a / LIT 0-20a I enjoy exploring and choosing stories and other texts to watch, read or listen to, and can share my likes and dislikes. LIT 0-01b / LIT 0-11b	Recalls the repetitive parts of a story, song or rhyme. Anticipates or predicts what is going to happen in a familiar story. Chooses a favourite text from a range of genres, including computer-based programmes, and listens attentively when it is read aloud. Gives reasons for liking/disliking a story.	Re-reads and enjoys favourite books,songs and rhymes. Uses pictures and repetitive parts of a story, song or rhyme to help anticipate and predict what might happen next. Independently chooses and talks about a favourite text from a wide range of genres, including computer-based programmes. Offers and explains an opinion about chosen stories.	 Chooses a story or other texts for enjoyment making use of the cover, title, author and/or illustrator. Engages with and enjoys watching, reading or listening to different texts, including stories, songs and rhymes, and can share likes and dislikes.
	Tools for reading - to help me use texts with increasingly complex or unfamiliar ideas, structures and vocabulary within and beyond my place of learning	I explore sounds, letters and words, discovering how they work together, and I can use what I learn to help me as I read and write. ENG 0-12a / LIT 0-13a / LIT 0-21a	Identifies a word, a letter and a space. Knows that print is read from left to right and from top to bottom. Recognises and says simple sounds/combinations of sounds. Associates some words with symbols. Accurately repeats unknown words. Knows that texts and illustrations are related.	Explains the difference between a word, a letter and a space. Provides a word with the same initial sound as a given word. Reads new CVC words correctly. Reads new short words with initial or final consonant blends. Reads taught sight words aloud. Uses letter sounds to read and write new words.	 Hears and says patterns in words. Hears and says the different single sounds made by letters. Hears and says blends/sounds made by a combination of letters. Knows the difference between a letter, word and numeral. Reads from left to right and top to bottom.

			Reads aloud familiar texts with attention to simple punctuation. Looks at pictures to help understand words.	 Uses knowledge of sounds, letters and patterns to read words. Uses knowledge of sight vocabulary/tricky words to read familiar words in context. Reads aloud familiar texts with attention to simple punctuation. Uses context clues to support understanding of different texts.
Finding and using information - when reading and using fiction and non-fiction texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary	<i>I use signs, books or other texts to find useful or interesting information and I use this to plan, make choices or learn new things. LIT 0-14a</i>	Listens or watches for useful information for a purpose. Is learning how to use this information to make choices or learn new things	Gathers and conveys one or two pieces of information from watching or listening. Uses this information to make choices or learn new things. Can tell the difference between fiction and non-fiction texts.experiences to events in a text.	 Finds information in a text to learn new things. Shows an awareness of a few features of fiction and non- fiction texts when using/choosing texts for particular purposes.
Understanding, analysing and evaluating - investigating and/or appreciating fiction and non-fiction texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary for different purposes	To help me understand stories and other texts, I ask questions and link what I am learning with what I already know. LIT 0-07a / LIT 0-16a / ENG 0-17a I enjoy exploring events and characters in stories and other texts,	Asks questions about a story that has been read to him/her. Uses what is in the text to predict what might happen next. Expresses views about different texts in pictures, discussion etc. Uses props to help retell the main parts of a story.	Is beginning to ask and answer questions, including higher order questions, at different levels about events and ideas in a text. Asks questions to help predict what might happen next Talks about likes and dislikes of characters and events in stories and says why.	 Engages with texts read to them. Asks and answers questions about events and ideas in a text. Answers questions to help predict what will happen next. Contributes to discussions about events, characters and ideas relevant to the text.

sharing my thoughts in different ways. LIT 0-19a	Links what happens in a text to personal experiences.	Retells a story in different ways using role play, puppets and drawings. Compares and contrasts personal experiences to events in a text.	 Shares thoughts and feelings about stories and other texts in different ways. Retells familiar stories in different ways, for example, role play, puppets and/or drawings. Relates information and ideas from a text to personal experiences.
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	Curriculum organisers	Experiences and Outcomes for planning learning, teaching and assessment			Benchmarks to support practitioners' professional judgement of achievement of a level
Writing	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	<i>I enjoy exploring and playing with the patterns and sounds of language and can use what I learn. LIT 0-01a / LIT 0-11a / LIT 0-20a</i>	Participates in familiar rhymes with correct words and rhythm and chooses a favourite one.Uses simple listening games to explore rhyme.Links sounds to letters, thoughts, ideas and feelings to convey information.	Independently says a few familiar rhymes and can write/identify missing rhyming words. Provides a real or nonsense word which rhymes with a given word.	• Writes for enjoyment, exploring patterns and sounds, in a range of play, imaginative and real contexts.
	Tools for writing - using knowledge of technical aspects to help my writing communicate effectively within and beyond my place of learning	I explore sounds, letters and words, discovering how they work together, and I can use what I learn to help me as I read or write. ENG 0-12a / LIT 0-13a / LIT 0-21a As I play and learn, I enjoy exploring interesting materials for writing and different ways of recording my experiences and feelings, ideas and information.	Makes marks including some known letters, using a variety of materials. Can use magnetic letters to write name. Recognises some key words in stories and in the environment. Links sounds to letters, thoughts, ideas and feelings to convey information	Forms most letters correctly and legibly. Recites the alphabet sounds in order. Understands that words are written from left to right. Spells the first 100 common words e.g. LRE Blocks 1-3. Writes CVC words using correct medial vowel. Spaces out most words when writing. Composes and writes a few sentences that make sense. Attempts to join two sentences using 'and or 'but.'	 Forms most lowercase letters legibly. Uses a pencil with increasing control and confidence. Knows the sounds of lowercase and some uppercase letters. Leaves a space between words when writing. Writes words from left to right. Makes an attempt to spell familiar words correctly. Makes an attempt to use a capital letter and a full stop in at least one sentence.

Organising and using information - considering texts to help create short and extended texts for different purposes	Within real and imaginary situations, I share experiences and feelings, ideas and information in a way that communicates my message. LIT 0-26a	Makes marks during play to convey information, thoughts, ideas and feelings	Uses talk, pictures or role play to develop ideas for writing. Writes to convey messages or information during play. Turns some ideas into sentences	 Writes to convey ideas, messages and information in different ways in play, imaginative and real contexts. Writes to reflect own experiences and feelings using appropriate vocabulary to convey meaning.
Creating texts - considering texts to help create short and extended texts for different purposes	I enjoy exploring events and characters in stories and other texts and I use what I learn to invent my own, sharing these with others in imaginative ways. LIT 0-09b / LIT 0-31a	Attempts to write name. Creates a simple story by drawing pictures and asking an adult to scribe. Makes marks and uses them to convey information, thoughts, ideas and feelings	Can identify sounds in a CVC word. Turns some ideas into sentences. Rereads the text created.	 Invents own stories and characters to share with others in play, imaginative and real contexts. Shares feelings, experiences, information, messages or ideas in pictures, print or digital texts.

First level Literacy and English

	Curriculum organisers	Experiences and Outcomes for planning learning, teaching and assessment				Benchmarks to support practitioners' professional judgement of achievement of a level
Listening and talking	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I regularly select and listen to, or watch texts which I enjoy and find interesting, and I can explain why I prefer certain sources. I regularly select subject, purpose, format and resources to create texts of my choice. LIT 1-01a / LIT 2-01a	Selects what to listen to and watch and expresses likes and dislikes.	Selects what to listen to and watch and justifies preferences by a simple statement.	Offers a personal response to what is listened to or watched and justifies preferences.	• Selects spoken texts regularly for enjoyment or to find information for a specific purpose and gives a reason for preferences.
Listening	Tools for listening and talking - to help me when interacting or presenting within and beyond my place of learning	When I engage with others, I know when and how to listen, when to talk, how much to say, when to ask questions and how to respond with respect. LIT 1-02a I am exploring how pace, gesture, expression,	Is beginning to be aware of role in the group and shares appropriate information. Shows respect by listening to the responses of others. Asks and answers basic questions in the group	Is aware of role in the group and shares appropriate information and experiences. Shows respect by listening and responding to others and contributes at the appropriate time. Asks and answers	Adopts a role within the group and confidently shares appropriate opinions and information. Takes turns to speak and confidently contributes at the appropriate time. Asks and responds to	 Takes turns and contributes at the appropriate time when engaging with others in a variety of contexts. Listens and responds appropriately to others in a respectful way for
		gesture, expression, emphasis and choice of words are used to engage others, and I can use what I learn. ENG 1-03a	questions in the group. Is beginning to show interest, uses appropriate gesture and eye contact when	questions in the group. Shows interest and uses appropriate gesture when engaging with others and is aware of tone and volume.	more complex questions within the group. Uses facial expressions and eye contact to show interest and gesture,	respectful way, for example, by nodding or agreeing, asking and answering questions.

		engaging with others and is aware of the importance of volume.		expression and tone when engaging with others.	Applies a few techniques (verbal and non-verbal) when engaging with others, for example, vocabulary, eye contact, expression and/or body language.
Finding and using information - when listening to, watching and talking about texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary	As I listen or watch, I can identify and discuss the purpose, key words and main ideas of the text, and use this information for a specific purpose. LIT 1-04a As I listen or watch, I am learning to make notes under given headings and use these to understand what I have listened to or watched and create new texts. LIT 1-05a I can select ideas and relevant information, organise these in a logical sequence and use words which will be interesting and/or useful for others. LIT 1-06a	Is beginning to identify the purpose of a spoken text. Discusses the main idea. Recognises some different types of texts and genres When watching or listening, makes notes under given headings. Uses notes to take part in discussion.	Identifies the purpose of a spoken text. Discusses some key words relevant to the topic and the main idea. Recognises some different types of texts and genres . When watching or listening, makes notes under headings. Uses notes to contribute to discussion.	Identifies and discusses the purpose of a spoken text, key words and the main idea. Recognises some different types of texts and genres with increasing confidence When watching or listening, confidently makes notes under headings. Uses notes to show a clear understanding of content through contributions to discussion	 Identifies the purpose and main ideas of spoken texts and uses the information gathered for a specific purpose. Makes relevant notes under given headings and can use these for different purposes. Uses notes to create and sequence new texts.
Understanding, analysing and evaluating	l can show my understanding of what l listen to or watch by	Is beginning to ask different kinds of questions.	Asks basic questions to clarify meaning and secure understanding. Responds	Asks more complex questions to secure understanding. Responds	 Asks and responds to different types of questions to show

- investigating and/or appreciating texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary for different purposes	responding to and asking different kinds of questions. LIT 1-07a To help me develop an informed view, I am learning to recognise the difference between fact and opinion. LIT 1-08a	Responds to others' questions. Is beginning to recognise the difference between fact and opinion.	appropriately to simple and more complex questions. Is more confidently recognising and understanding the difference between fact and opinion. Is aware of how others influence opinion.	to simple and complex questions. Recognises and understands the difference between fact and opinion. Is more aware of, and can explain how others influence opinion.	 understanding of the main ideas of spoken texts. Recognises simple differences between fact and opinion in spoken texts.
Creating texts - applying the elements others use to create different types of short and extended texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and vocabulary	When listening and talking with others for different purposes, I can exchange information, experiences, explanations, ideas and opinions, and clarify points by asking questions or by asking others to say more. LIT 1-09a I can communicate clearly when engaging with others within and beyond my place of learning, using selected resources as required. LIT 1-10a	Is beginning to offer information, experiences, ideas and opinions in discussion. Is beginning to communicate clearly and audibly. Is beginning to communicate clearly to give a short presentation choosing some interesting vocabulary appropriate to the audience. Is beginning to use resources to enhance a presentation as required.	Can offer information, experiences, ideas and opinions in discussion. Communicates clearly and audibly. Delivers a short, clear presentation, choosing interesting vocabulary appropriate to the audience. Uses resources provided to enhance a presentation as required.	Can offer information, experiences, ideas and opinions in discussion with increasing confidence. Communicates clearly, audibly and with increasing confidence. Delivers a short, clear presentation with increasing confidence, using appropriate vocabulary. Independently uses resources to enhance a presentation as required	 Communicates clearly and audibly. Contributes to group/class discussions, engaging with others for a range of purposes. Selects and shares ideas/information using appropriate vocabulary in a logical order. Selects and uses, with support, appropriate resources to engage with others, for example, objects, pictures and/or photographs.

Listening and talking

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First level – Reading

	Curriculum organisers	Experiences and Outcomes for planning learning, teaching and assessment				Benchmarks to support practitioners' professional judgement of achievement of a level
Reading	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I regularly select and read, listen to or watch texts which I enjoy and find interesting, and I can explain why I prefer certain texts and authors. LIT 1-11a / LIT 2-11a	Makes informed choices about what to read for enjoyment and explains reasons.	Selects more complex material to read for enjoyment. Gives clear reasons for preferences.	Regularly selects increasingly challenging reading material to read for enjoyment. Justifies preferences, relating this to personal experience and previous texts read for enjoyment.	 Selects different texts regularly for enjoyment or for a specific purpose using, for example, cover, title, author, illustrator and/or blurb. Explains preferences for particular texts and authors.
	Tools for reading - to help me use texts with increasingly complex or unfamiliar ideas, structures and vocabulary within and beyond my place of learning	l can use my knowledge of sight vocabulary, phonics, context clues, punctuation and grammar to read with understanding and expression. ENG 1-12a	Reads some high frequency words and core topic words accurately and automatically. Is beginning to use some word recognition strategies. Can split unfamiliar words into known parts.	Reads high frequency words and core topic words accurately and automatically. Uses a range of word recognition strategies. Can use a range of techniques to split unfamiliar words into known parts.	Reads an increasing number of high frequency words, core topic words and words of personal significance. Uses a range of word recognition strategies confidently and independently. Reads unknown words by locating and pronouncing familiar letter patterns and blends. Independently uses a range of techniques to split unfamiliar words into known parts.	 Reads aloud a familiar piece of text adding expression and can show understanding. Reads an increasing number of common/high frequency words, key reading words, core topic words and words of personal significance. Uses a range of word recognition strategies independently.

		I am learning to select and use strategies and resources before I read, and as I read, to help make the meaning of texts clear. LIT 1-13a	Scans a text for key words and ideas. Uses picture clues to help understanding. Is beginning to use grammar and punctuation to help read with expression.	Reads carefully around key words and ideas to help literal understanding of a text. Is beginning to use grammar, punctuation and layout to help read with expression.	Reads around key words and ideas on short sections of text and makes simple inferences. Can use grammar, punctuation and layout to read with expression.	 Decodes unknown words by locating and pronouncing familiar letter patterns and blends. Uses context clues to read and understand texts. Uses punctuation and grammar to read with understanding and expression.
Reading	Finding and using information - when reading and using fiction and non-fiction texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary	Using what I know about the features of different types of texts, I can find, select, sort and use information for a specific purpose. LIT 1-14a	Finds information for a specific purpose, using layout and text knowledge. Highlights the key words in a sentence and uses them to write own sentence.	Uses contents, headings, and index pages to help locate information for a specific purpose. Highlights the key words in a short text and uses them to write own sentences.	Uses contents, index, headings, sub-headings and diagrams to help locate information. Selects relevant information and confidently uses it for a specific purpose. Identifies the main idea of a paragraph.	 Identifies and finds key information in fiction and non- fiction texts using content page, index, headings, sub- headings and diagrams to help locate information. Makes notes under
		I am learning to make notes under given headings and use them to understand information, explore ideas and problems and create new texts. LIT 1-15a	Recognises that notes are not full sentences. Tells the difference between fiction and non-fiction.	Suggests words that can be missed out when making notes. Is beginning to identify some key features of fiction and non-fiction texts.	Highlights the key words in a text and uses these to create a new text. Suggests some simple headings to help create new texts. Can identify some key features of fiction and	given headings for different purposes.
	Understanding, analysing and evaluating - investigating and/or appreciating fiction and	To show my understanding across different areas of learning, I can identify and consider the	Is able to tell the difference between fiction and non-fiction.	Is beginning to identify some key features of fiction and non-fiction texts.	non-fiction texts. Is able to identify the key features of fiction and non-fiction text.	 Identifies the main ideas of texts. Makes appropriate suggestions about

non-fiction texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary for different purposes	<i>purpose and main ideas</i> <i>of a text.</i> <i>LIT 1-16a</i> To show my understanding, I can respond to different kinds	Is beginning to read across learning for a variety of purposes. Is beginning to identify the main ideas in a text. Asks and answers simple questions	Reads across learning with increasing confidence for a variety of purposes. Identifies some of the key ideas in a text. Asks and answers	Reads across learning independently for a variety of purposes. Is able to identify the main idea of a text. Can ask and answer more complex analysing	 the purpose of a text. Answers literal, inferential and evaluative questions about texts. Asks questions to help make sense of a text.
	of questions and other close reading tasks and I am learning to create some questions of my own. ENG 1-17a To help me develop	about a topic before reading. Asks understanding questions to help make sense of a text.	questions about a topic and scans for key words to help locate the answers. Answers simple analysing and evaluating questions about a text.	and evaluating questions about a text.	 Recognises the difference between fact and opinion. Offers own ideas about characters, writer's use of language, structure and/or setting.
	an informed view, I can recognise the difference between fact and opinion. LIT 1-18a	Is beginning to recognise the difference between fact and opinion.	Is more confidently recognising and understanding the difference between fact and opinion.	Recognises and understands the difference between fact and opinion.	Offers own ideas about the writer's message and, when appropriate, relates these to personal experiences.
	about structure, characters and/or setting, recognise the writer's message and relate it to my own experiences, and comment on the effective choice of words and other features. ENG 1-19a	Relates some settings, events and characters to personal experiences. Is beginning to make comments on the writer's use of language to convey ideas. Describes and gives an opinion of the plot, characters and setting in a story.	Recognises the writer's message and relates it to personal experiences. Is beginning to make comments on the writer's use of language and structure to convey ideas. Discusses the reasons for events in a story and what characters might be thinking or feeling, using clues in the text.	Recognises the writer's message and clearly relates it to personal experiences. Evaluates why characters act in the way they do and makes comments on the writer's use of language, structure and layout to convey ideas Identifies some language the writer has used to create moods or build tension.	

First level - Writing

	Curriculum organisers	Experiences and Outcomes for planning learning, teaching and assessment				Benchmarks to support practitioners' professional judgement of achievement of a level
9	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I enjoy creating texts of my choice and I regularly select subject, purpose, format and resources to suit the needs of my audience. LIT 1-20a / LIT 2-20a	Is beginning to understand and use the term 'planning'. Uses at least two interesting and ambitious words in context. Is beginning to create texts on an agreed theme/subject using simple writing formats.	Understands and uses the terms 'planning' and 'purpose'. Uses several interesting and ambitious words which are specific to the task to interest the reader. Creates texts using the appropriate format, on an agreed theme/subject.	Understands and uses the terms 'planning' 'purpose 'and 'audience.' Selects and uses several interesting and ambitious words specific to the task to interest the reader. Creates texts using the appropriate format and resources, on an agreed theme/subject.	• Creates texts selecting subject, purpose, format and resources for a range of purposes and audiences.
Writing	Tools for writing - using knowledge of technical aspects to help my writing communicate effectively within and beyond my place of learning	I can spell the most commonly-used words, using my knowledge of letter patterns and spelling rules and use resources to help me spell tricky or unfamiliar words. LIT 1-21a	Recites the alphabet in order using the letter names or sounds. Spells some of the 200 most commonly used words e.g. LRE, Fry's, High Frequency Word List. Attempts spelling unknown words using knowledge of sounds. Is beginning to use a word bank or simple dictionary to help with spelling.	Automatically spells many of the 200 most commonly used words e.g. Fry's, High Frequency Word List. Attempts spelling unknown words using knowledge of sounds and spelling patterns. Uses a word bank or simple dictionary to help with spelling. Uses a capital letter, full stop or question mark to punctuate	Correctly and automatically spells most of the 200 high frequency words e.g. Fry's, High Frequency Word List. Applies knowledge of more complex phonic strategies when spelling unknown words. Uses a dictionary or topic word bank to help with spelling. Uses a capital letter, full stop, question mark and exclamation mark to	 Spells most commonly used words correctly. Spells most vocabulary used across the curriculum correctly. Uses knowledge of phonics and spelling strategies when spelling familiar and unfamiliar words. Uses knowledge of the alphabet to locate words in a dictionary or other reference source to help spell tricky or unfamiliar words.

I can write independent use appropriate punctuation and order a link my sentences in a w that makes sense. LIT 1-22a Throughout the writing process, I can check that my writing makes sense LIT 1-23a I can present my writing a way that will make it legible and attractive for my reader, combining words, images and other features. LIT 1-24a	NdOrders words to make sense in sentencesJoins 2 sentences using 'and' and 'but'NdReads over what has been written to check that it make sense.inForms letters correctly.	 more than one sentence accurately. Orders words to make more complex sentences. Joins 2 or more sentences using 'and', 'but', 'because', 'so'. Is beginning to use commas in a list. Edits work for clarity and accuracy. Rereads to check that the meaning is consistent. Forms letters correctly and quickly. Displays writing attractively using appropriate images. 	punctuate many sentences accurately. Constructs complex sentences using more elaborate clauses. Joins more than 2 sentences using a variety of connectives. Uses commas in a list. Proofreads work, recognises spelling errors and applies strategies to correct them. Rereads to check for consistency of meaning and fitness for purpose. Uses joined handwriting confidently and consistently. Displays writing attractively using appropriate images and other features.	 Writes independently, punctuating most sentences accurately, for example, using a capital letter, full stop, question mark or exclamation mark. Links sentences using common conjunctions, for example, and, because, but or so. Starts sentences in a variety of ways to engage the reader. Checks writing to ensure it makes sense. Presents writing in a clear and legible way using images and other features as appropriate.
Organising and using information - considering texts to help create short and extended texts for different purposes	Includes simple details in writing to make meaning clear.	Plans and organises ideas and information logically using headings.	Plans and organises ideas and information using an appropriate format. Makes notes to help plan writing and uses them to create a new text.	 Plans and organises ideas and information using an appropriate format. Makes notes to help plan writing and uses

	develop ideas or create new text. LIT 1-25a By considering the type of text I am creating, I can select ideas and relevant information, organise these in a logical sequence and use words which will be interesting and/or useful for others. LIT 1-26a	Is beginning to generate ideas alone and by collaborating with others. Is aware of the features of one or two text types. Includes simple details in writing to make it clear. Links one or two ideas in a logical sequence. Uses at least two interesting and ambitious words specific to the task.	Makes notes to help plan writing. Is aware of the features of a greater range of text types. Includes details in personal writing to make meaning clear. Plans and organises ideas and information logically using headings and a variety of formats. Includes a few interesting and ambitious words specific to the task.	Is aware of the features of a wide range of text types. Includes sufficient detail in writing to make meaning clear. Plans and organises ideas and information using tools such as headings, graphic organisers, questions and mind maps. Uses interesting and ambitious words specific to the task.	 them to create new texts. Includes relevant information in written texts. Organises writing in a logical order and as appropriate to audience. Uses relevant and/or interesting vocabulary as appropriate for the context.
- considering texts to help create short and extended texts for different purposes	I can convey information, describe events or processes, share my opinions or persuade my reader in different ways. LIT 1-28a / LIT 1-29a	Creates texts on an agreed theme/subject using simple writing formats. Uses at least two interesting and ambitious words in context. Includes an opinion in own writing. Writes a simple account of a	Creates texts using the appropriate format, on an agreed theme/subject. Uses several interesting and ambitious words specific to the task to interest the reader. Includes own opinion or view in writing.	Creates texts using the appropriate format and resources, on an agreed theme/subject. Selects and uses several interesting and ambitious words specific to the task to interest the reader. Includes own opinion or view in writing in an attempt to persuade the reader.	 Creates a variety of texts for different purposes. When writing to convey information, describe events or processes, share opinions or persuade readers in different ways: Selects, organises and conveys information in different ways.

ENG 1-	30a per	rsonal	Writes about a	Writes accounts of a	Uses vocabulary and
			personal experience	personal experience in	language for specific
	onp		giving several details	correct sequence, using	purposes.
Having	explored the elements		in correct sequence	appropriate vocabulary to	
<u> </u>	riters use in different		and using one or two	describe feelings and	Shares own viewpoint
			appropriate words.	thought to engage the	and makes one or two
			Writes a poem using	reader.	attempts to persuade
	e my own stones,		different structures.	loadon	the reader
	and plays with		Writes a simple play-	Creates own poem using a	as appropriate to the
	ng structures,		script that includes a	variety of structures/.	purpose.
	ers and/or settings.		narrator.		
ENG 1-3		-	Adds one or two	Continues a play-script.	When writing to describe and
			sentences to a story in		share experiences:
			the same style as the	Continues a story in the	Writes about personal
	Giv		writer.	same style as the writer.	experiences in a logical
		tails about the			order, using appropriate
			Writes an	Writes a story	vocabulary
	sto		account/story with an	concentrating on the	to describe feelings,
		•	interesting beginning	sequence of events.	thoughts and events.
			or ending.		thoughts and events.
			or origing.	Develops characters in	When writing imaginatively
			Describes the	stories through their	
			appearance and	actions and feelings.	and creatively:
			actions of one or two	deliene and reeninge.	Creates own texts, for
			characters.		example, stories, poems
			characters.		and plays, with
					recognisable features
					of genre.
					Creates texts with
					evidence of structure.
					Creates interesting
					characters through their
					feelings and actions and
					physical description.

Second level Literacy and English

	Curriculum organisers	Experiences and Outcomes for planning learning, teaching and assessment				Benchmarks to support practitioners' professional judgement of achievement of a level
Listening and talking	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the	I regularly select and listen to or watch texts which I enjoy and find interesting, and I can explain why I prefer certain sources.	Selects texts to enjoy and comments on reasons for choice. Explains preference	Regularly selects texts to enjoy and explains reasons for choice.	Regularly selects a wide range of texts to enjoy and explains reasons for choice.	• Selects spoken texts regularly for enjoyment or to find information for a specific purpose. Explains preferences.
	relevance of texts purp in my life reso my d	I regularly select subject, purpose, format and resources to create texts of my choice. LIT 1-01a / LIT 2-01a	for certain sources. Gives a clear account/explanation of a chosen topic.	preference for certain sources. Recounts an experience or event clearly, logically and sequentially.	preference for certain sources using evidence to back up opinion. Gives a clear account/explanation of a chosen topic which is sustained and complete.	
Listeni	Tools for listening and talking - to help me when interacting or presenting within and beyond my place of learning	When I engage with others, I can respond in ways appropriate to my role, show that I value others' contributions and use these to build on thinking. LIT 2-02a	Uses facial expression and eye contact when talking to an audience.	Uses facial expression and eye contact appropriately when talking to an audience.	Uses facial expression and eye contact effectively when talking to an audience.	 Contributes a number of relevant ideas, information and opinions when engaging with others. Shows respect for the views of others
		I can recognise how the features of spoken language can help in communication, and I can use what I learn. I can recognise different	Uses tools for speaking such as language, gesture and facial expression, as appropriate.	Confidently uses tools for speaking such as language, gesture, tone and facial expression, as appropriate.	Confidently uses tools for speaking such as language, gesture, pace, tone and facial expression, as appropriate.	 and offers own viewpoint. Builds on the contributions of others, for example, by asking or answering questions,
		features of my own and others' spoken language. ENG 2-03a		Is aware of, and can respond to being		clarifying points or supporting others' opinions or ideas.

Listening and talking			Is aware of the different roles within the group Sustains focus, makes eye contact and can maintain the discussion. Uses tools for speaking such as language, gesture, tone and facial expression, as appropriate. Develops ideas, opinions, information and experiences through listening to others	assigned different roles within the group. Sustains focus, makes eye contact and uses appropriate facial expressions to show involvement Confidently uses tools for speaking such as language, gesture, tone and facial expression, as appropriate. Develops ideas, opinions, information and experiences. Is beginning to extend and build upon others' ideas	Is aware of, and can respond well to, the different roles within the group. Listens actively to others e.g. by asking questions and responding appropriately, makes eye contact and uses appropriate facial expressions to show involvement. Confidently uses tools for speaking such as language, gesture,pace, tone and facial expression, as appropriate. Develops ideas, opinions, information and experiences. Extends and builds upon others' ideas	 Applies verbal and non-verbal techniques in oral presentations and interactions, for example, vocabulary, eye contact, body language, emphasis, pace and/or tone. Recognises some techniques used to engage or influence the listener, for example, vocabulary, emphasis, tone and/or rhetorical questions.
	Finding and using information - when listening to, watching and talking about texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary	As I listen or watch, I can identify and discuss the purpose, main ideas and supporting detail contained within the text, and use this information for different purposes. LIT 2-04a As I listen or watch, I can make notes, organise these under suitable headings and use these to understand ideas and information and create new texts, using my own words as appropriate.	Identifies the main idea and purpose of a text. Uses this information for different purposes. Is beginning to make notes appropriate to role within a group. Is beginning to change ideas into own words	Identifies and comments on the main idea and purpose of a text. Uses this information for a variety of purposes. Makes effective notes appropriate to role within a group. Changes ideas into own words.	Identifies and discusses the main idea, purpose and supporting detail contained within a text, using evidence. Independently uses this information for a wide variety of purposes Makes effective and clearly structured notes appropriate to role within a group. Confidently and independently changes ideas into own words	 Identifies the purpose of spoken texts with suitable explanation. Identifies the main ideas of spoken texts, with supporting detail, and uses the information gathered for a specific purpose. Makes relevant notes using own words, for the most part, and uses these to create new texts for a range of purposes.

		LIT 2-05a I can select ideas and relevant information, organise these in an appropriate way for my purpose and use suitable vocabulary for my audience. LIT 2-06a				
Understan analysing evaluating - investigati appreciatin with increas complex ide structures a specialist ve for different	g and g ing and/or g texts singly eas, and rocabulary	I can show my understanding of what I listen to or watch by responding to literal, inferential, evaluative and other types of questions, and by asking different kinds of questions of my own. LIT 2-07a	Asks different types of questions. Recognises if what is being listened to or watched is fact or opinion.	Shows understanding of a text by asking and responding to literal, inferential and evaluative questions. Understands the importance of giving evidence for opinions.	Shows understanding of a text by asking and responding to more complex literal, inferential and evaluative questions. Understands the importance of giving evidence for opinions and can demonstrate this by backing it up.	 Asks and responds to a range of questions, including literal, inferential and evaluative questions, to demonstrate understanding of spoken texts. Identifies the difference between fact and opinion with suitable explanation.
		To help me develop an informed view, I can distinguish fact from opinion, and I am learning to recognise when my sources try to influence me and how useful these are. LIT 2-08a	Is beginning to understand the importance of giving evidence for opinions. Is beginning to evaluate the reliability of sources.	Evaluates the reliability of some sources	Evaluates the reliability of most sources	

 Creating texts applying the elements others use to create different types of short and extended texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and vocabulary When listening and talking with others for different purposes, I can: share information, experiences and opinions; explain processes and ideas; identify issues raised and summarise main points or findings; and clarify points by asking questions or by asking others to say more. LT 2-09a Man developing confidence when engaging with others of learning. I can communicate in a clear, expressive way and I am learning to select and organise resources independently. LT 2-10a / LIT 3-10a 	Shares information, experiences and opinions, using some appropriate vocabulary. Organises information and presents it to an audience Speaks clearly and audibly and selects relevant resources to help the presentation.	Shares information, experiences and opinions using appropriate vocabulary. Organises information in sequence and confidently presents it to an audience. Speaks confidently, clearly and audibly. Selects relevant resources to help the presentation.	Shares information, experiences and opinions with increasing confidence using relevant and appropriate vocabulary. Organises information in a logical, sequential and structured manner when presenting, using notes if required. Speaks confidently, clearly, audibly, fluently and expressively. Selects and organises resources independently	•	Communicates clearly, audibly and with expression in different contexts. Plans and delivers an organised presentation/talk with relevant content and appropriate structure. Uses suitable vocabulary for purpose and audience. Selects and uses resources to support communication.
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Second level – Reading

	Curriculum organisers	Experiences and Outcomes for planning learning, teaching and assessment				Benchmarks to support practitioners' professional judgement of achievement of a level
Reading	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I regularly select and read, listen to or watch texts which I enjoy and find interesting, and I can explain why I prefer certain texts and authors. LIT 1-11a / LIT 2-11a	Chooses books at own level from a range of texts and reads them confidently. Clearly explains preference for certain texts/authors.	Regularly selects and reads more complex material at own level and can justify choices. Explains preferences using evidence from the text.	Regularly selects and reads increasingly challenging reading material at own level. Explains preferences clearly using evidence from the text.	 Selects texts regularly for enjoyment or to find information for a specific purpose. Explains preferences for particular texts, authors or sources with supporting detail.
	Tools for reading - to help me use texts with increasingly complex or unfamiliar ideas, structures and vocabulary within and beyond my place of learning	Through developing my knowledge of context clues, punctuation, grammar and layout, I can read unfamiliar texts with increasing fluency, understanding and expression. ENG 2-12a/ENG 3-12a/ENG 4- 12a	Reads with fluency and understanding	Reads with fluency, understanding and expression.	Reads with fluency, understanding and expression, using the right tone for the content	 Reads with fluency, understanding and expression using appropriate pace and tone. Uses knowledge of context clues, punctuation,
		I can select and use a range of strategies and resources before I read, and as I read, to make meaning clear and give reasons for my selection. LIT 2-13a	Skims a range of text types in order to predict genre and key vocabulary. Uses some reading skills and strategies to self monitor and self correct.	Skims a wide range of text types in order to predict genre and key vocabulary. Uses a wider range of reading skills and strategies to self monitor and self correct.	Independently skims a wide range of text types in order to predict genre and key vocabulary Independently uses a wide range of reading skills and strategies to self monitor and self correct.	 grammar and layout to read unfamiliar texts with understanding. Applies a range of reading skills and strategies to read and understand

Reading			Is beginning to use knowledge of context, punctuation, grammar and layout clues to read an unfamiliar word or text. Generates questions to make appropriate predictions about the text. Uses a tool to check the meaning of unknown words.	Combines knowledge of context, punctuation, grammar and layout clues to read an unfamiliar word or text. Uses knowledge of structure and layout to generate questions and make appropriate predictions about the text. Reads and understands specialist words needed for particular curricular areas using tools, e.g. dictionaries and reference books.	Independently combines knowledge of context, punctuation, grammar and layout clues to read an unfamiliar word or text. Uses knowledge of structure and layout to independently generate questions and make appropriate predictions about the text. Uses tools to help read specialist words and use the vocabulary in discussion.	texts, for example, skimming, scanning, predicting, clarifying and/or summarising.
	Finding and using information - when reading and using fiction and non- fiction texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary	Using what I know about the features of different types of texts, I can find, select and sort information from a variety of sources and use this for different purposes. LIT 2-14a	Finds information on a given topic from more than one source. Is beginning to use the skills of skimming, scanning and text-marking to find required information. Uses information to create own text. Underlines or highlights key words	Finds information on a given topic from more than one source and selects some of the most relevant points. Uses the skills of skimming, scanning and text-marking to find required information with increasing confidence. Uses information to create own detailed text. Makes notes using some of own words	Finds information on a given topic from more than one source and selects many of the most relevant points. Confidently uses the skills of skimming, scanning and text- marking to find required information. Uses information to create own complex text. Makes notes using many of own words from a piece of information Uses notes to create a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences.	 Skims texts to identify purpose and main ideas. Scans texts to find key information. Finds, selects and sorts relevant information from a range of sources. Makes and organises notes using own words, for the most part. Uses notes to create new texts that show understanding of the topic or issue.

	understand information, develop my thinking, explore problems and create new texts, using my own words as appropriate. LIT 2-15a	and phrases to help make useful notes. Organises notes under simple headings. Uses notes to help create a new text.	from a piece of information. Uses headings, sub- headings and key words to organise notes. Uses notes to develop thinking on a topic.	Uses notes to create a text that conveys thinking and understanding of the topic in own words.	
Understanding, analysing and evaluating - investigating and/or appreciating fiction and non-fiction texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary	To show my understanding across different areas of learning, I can identify and consider the purpose and main ideas of a text and use supporting detail. LIT 2-16a	Is beginning to discuss the structure and style of a variety of text in light of the author's purpose for writing and the audience intended.	Discusses the structure and style of a variety of text in light of the author's purpose for writing and the audience intended.	Confidently discusses the structure and style of a variety of text in light of the author's purpose for writing and the audience intended.	 Identifies the purpose of a text with suitable explanation. Identifies the main ideas of a text with appropriate detail. Makes relevant comments about
for different purposes		Asks analysing and evaluating questions about a text e.g. using Bloom's taxonomy. Reads around key words and ideas to help literal understanding.	Asks analysing and evaluating questions about a text with increasing confidence e.g. using Bloom's taxonomy. Reads around key words and ideas to aid inferences within a short piece of text.	Asks analysing and evaluating questions e.g. using Bloom's taxonomy, and justifies responses with evidence from the text. Makes more complex inferences by interpreting literal and inferential information from across the text.	 features of language, for example, vocabulary, sentence structure and punctuation. Responds to a range of questions, including literal,
	To help me develop an informed view, I can identify and explain the difference between fact and opinion, recognise when I am being influenced, and have assessed how useful and believable my sources are.	Can identify the difference between a fact and an opinion. Is beginning to identify when he/she is being influenced or	Can identify the different language authors use to present fact or opinion. Is beginning to recognise bias and use evidence from the text to support this view.	Confidently identifies the different language authors use to present fact or opinion. Identifies when he/she is being influenced or persuaded, agree or disagree and say why.	 inferential and evaluative questions, to demonstrate understanding of texts. Creates different types of questions to

LIT 2-18a	persuaded by the language the writer uses Is beginning to assess the usefulness and reliability of sources, including digital media. Discusses aspects of	Is able to assess the usefulness and reliability of sources, including digital media. Confidently discusses aspects of structure, characterisation and setting, using some examples from the text. Analyses how the	Is able to assess the usefulness and reliability of sources, and use evidence to support own view. Confidently discusses structure, characterisation, setting and theme, using quotations from the text. Analyses how the author has	show understanding of texts.
 discuss structure, characterisation and/or setting; recognise the relevanc the writer's theme and this relates to my own a others' experiences; ar discuss the writer's styl and other features appropriate to genre. ENG 2-19a 	e of language the author has used to create different themes.	author has created different themes through different aspects of language. Explains how this relates to personal experiences and those of peers and offers an emotional response Articulates responses about the effect of figurative and descriptive language. Compares and contrasts the styles of individual writers and provides evidence from the text to back up views.	created different themes, moods, feelings and attitudes through different aspects of language, using examples from the text. Explains how this relates to personal experiences and those of peers and offers a critical response or emotional engagement. Identifies and articulates responses about the effect of figurative and descriptive language. Compares, contrasts and explores the styles of different writers and provides evidence from the text to back up views.	 Distinguishes between fact and opinion with appropriate explanation. Recognises techniques used to influence the reader, for example, word choice, emotive language, rhetorical questions and/or repetition. Identifies which sources are most useful/reliable. Makes relevant comments about structure, characterisation and/or setting with reference to the text.

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	Curriculum organisers	Experiences and Outcomes for planning learning, teaching and assessment				Second level – Writing Benchmarks to support practitioners' professional judgement of achievement of a level
	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I enjoy creating texts of my choice and I regularly select subject, purpose, format and resources to suit the needs of my audience. LIT 1-20a / LIT 2-20a				• Creates texts regularly for a range of purposes and audiences selecting appropriate genre, form, structure and style.
Writing	Tools for writing - using knowledge of technical aspects to help my writing communicate effectively within and beyond my place of learning	l can spell most of the words I need to communicate, using spelling rules, specialist vocabulary, self-correction techniques and a range of resources. LIT 2-21a In both short and extended texts, I can use appropriate punctuation, vary my sentence structures and divide my work into paragraphs in a way that makes sense to my reader. LIT 2-22a	Applies knowledge of common patterns and simple rules and strategies when spelling unknown words. Self corrects using a variety of resources. Uses common punctuation appropriately. Is beginning to use paragraphs in writing. Uses key grammatical terms in own writing. Uses a variety of sentence structures to fit the task.	Confidently applies knowledge of common patterns and rules and strategies when spelling unknown words. Confidently self corrects using a variety of resources. Confidently uses a range of punctuation, including punctuation for direct speech. Uses paragraphs in extended pieces of writing. Uses a range of grammatical terms in own writing.	Confidently and independently applies knowledge of patterns, rules and strategies when spelling unknown words. Confidently and independently self corrects using a wide range of resources. Confidently and accurately uses a wide range of punctuation, including punctuation for direct speech. Confidently uses paragraphs appropriately in extended pieces of writing. Confidently uses a wide range of grammatical terms in own writing.	 Applies knowledge of spelling patterns, rules and strategies to spell most words correctly. Uses a range of punctuation, for example, capital letters, full stops, commas, inverted commas (speech marks), exclamation marks and/or apostrophes. Punctuation is mainly accurate. Writes most sentences in a grammatically accurate way. Uses sentences of different lengths and

Writing		Throughout the writing process, I can check that my writing makes sense and meets its purpose. LIT 2-23a I can consider the impact that layout and presentation will have and can combine lettering, graphics and other features to engage my reader. LIT 2-24a	Writes an interesting opening to engage the reader. Uses a range of conjunctions to link sentences. Is beginning to proof read and edit own work. Uses a fluent .joined script. Presents and displays work attractively.	Confidently uses a variety of sentence structures and layouts to fit the task. Writes interesting openings to engage the reader. Confidently uses appropriate conjunctions to link sentences. Proofreads and edits own work using a variety of strategies. Uses fluent, linked and legible handwriting Presents and displays work attractively by selecting appropriate forms of layout.	Confidently uses a variety of sentence structures and layouts to fit the task. Uses a variety of openers to create atmosphere and engage the reader. Confidently and independently uses appropriate conjunctions to link sentences. Confidently and independently proofreads and edits own work using a wide variety of strategies. Consistently uses fluent, linked and legible handwriting. Presents and displays work attractively by selecting appropriate forms of layout.	 types and varies sentence openings. Links sentences using a range of conjunctions. Uses paragraphs to separate thoughts and ideas. Writes in a fluent and legible way. Reviews and corrects writing to ensure it makes sense, is technically accurate and meets its purpose. Makes appropriate choices about layout and presentation, including in digital texts, to engage the reader, for example, headings, bullet points, fonts, graphics and/or captions.
	Organising and using information - considering texts to help create short and extended texts for different pruposes	I can use my notes and other types of writing to help me understand information and ideas, explore problems, make decisions, generate and develop ideas or create new text.	Uses notes to show understanding of information. Uses notes to help create a new text.	Uses notes to show thinking and understanding of the topic. Uses notes from more than one source to create own texts.	Uses notes to create a text that conveys thinking and understanding of the topic in own words. Uses notes to create a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences.	 Uses notes and/or other sources to develop thinking and create new texts. Acknowledges sources making clear where the information came from.

Writing		I recognise the need to acknowledge my sources and can do this appropriately. LIT 2-25a By considering the type of text I am creating, I can select ideas and relevant information, organise these in an appropriate way for my purpose and use suitable vocabulary for my audience. LIT 2-26a	Can name the titles of texts used in a research task. Creates a text that gives the main idea and clear information. Creates a text with appropriate topic vocabulary.	Acknowledges sources by recording the titles and authors of texts used in a bibliography. Creates a detailed text that gives clear, logically sequenced information. Creates a text with appropriate topic vocabulary, illustrations and diagrams	References sources appropriately in a bibliography. Creates a more detailed text that gives clear, logically sequenced information. Creates a text with appropriate topic vocabulary, illustrations, diagrams and/or charts	 Organises information in a logical way. Selects relevant ideas and information. Uses appropriate vocabulary, including subject-specific vocabulary, to suit purpose and audience.
Ŵ	Creating texts - considering texts to help create short and extended texts for different purposes	I am learning to use language and style in a way which engages and/or influences my reader. ENG 2-27a	Is beginning to use what has been learned about the structures of different genres when choosing structures for own texts.	Uses what has been learned about the structures of different genres when choosing structures for own texts.	Confidently and independently uses what has been learned about the structures of different genres when choosing structures for own texts.	 Creates a range of short and extended texts regularly for different purposes. Attempts to engage and/or influence the reader through vocabulary
		<i>I can convey information, describe events, explain processes or combine ideas in different ways. LIT 2-28a</i>	Creates a text with a clear sequence of events. Uses vocabulary which engages or influences the audience	Creates a text with a logical and cohesive sequence of events that conveys key messages to the audience. Uses vocabulary which engages or influences	Creates a text with a logical and cohesive sequence of events that conveys key messages to the audience. Uses vocabulary which engages or influences the audience.	and/or use of language as appropriate to genre.
		l can persuade, argue, explore issues or express an opinion using relevant	Expresses thoughts and opinions in writing, using some supporting detail.	the audience. Expresses thoughts and opinions in writing, using some supporting detail and evidence.	Confidently expresses thoughts and opinions in writing, using supporting detail and evidence.	When writing to convey information, describe events, explain processes or combine ideas in different ways:

supporting detail and/or evidence. LIT 2-29a As I write for different purposes and readers, I can describe and share my experiences, expressing what they made me think about and how they made me feel. ENG 2-30a	States the issue to be addressed and give reasons for and against, using powerful verbs and strong adjectives. Writes a clear, sequenced account of a real life experience. Expresses and explains thoughts and feelings in a range of texts.	Uses separate paragraphs to list reasons for and against, using emotive language and rhetorical questions. Writes a clear, sequenced account of a real life experience, including a sense of atmosphere where appropriate. Expresses and explains thoughts and feelings in a wide range of texts for a variety of purposes.	Uses separate paragraphs to list reasons for and against, using cause and effect, emotive language and rhetorical questions. Writes coherent accounts of real life experiences to include a sense of atmosphere and/or a personal response. Confidently expresses and explains thoughts and feelings in a wide range of texts for a variety of purposes.	 Uses appropriate style and format to convey information applying key features of the chosen genre. Includes relevant ideas, knowledge and information. Organises and presents information in a logical way. Uses tone and vocabulary appropriate to purpose. When writing to persuade, evaluate, explore issues or express an opinion: Presents relevant ideas and information, including supporting detail, to convey view point. Organises ideas in a logical way.
Having explored the elements which writers use in different genres, I can use what I learn to create stories, poems and plays with an interesting and appropriate structure, interesting characters and/or settings which come to life. ENG 2-31a	Uses a variety of sentence structures to create different effects. Is beginning to use knowledge of structure of different genres when choosing structures for own writing.	Uses knowledge of structure of different genres when choosing structures for own writing.	Confidently and independently uses knowledge of structure of different genres when choosing structures for own writing. I can develop characters in stories through their actions, interactions, feelings and dialogue.	 Includes an introduction that makes the topic clear and a conclusion that rounds off the writing. Attempts to use language to influence or persuade the reader, for example, word choice,

	I can develop characters in stories through their actions and feelings. Uses interesting and descriptive language to describe the setting. Can write in a clear sequence with an interesting ending.	Uses interesting and descriptive language to describe the setting and convey the atmosphere. Can write in a clear sequence using paragraphs to separate thoughts and ideas, with an interesting ending.	Uses interesting and descriptive language to describe the mood and atmosphere of the setting. Can write in a clear sequence using paragraphs to separate thoughts and ideas, with a variety of interesting endings.	 punctuation, repetition, rhetorical questions and/or emotive language. When writing to describe and share experiences: Describes personal experiences, making context and events clear. Describes thoughts and feelings about the experience. Attempts to engage and/or influence the reader through vocabulary and/or use of language.
				 When writing imaginatively and creatively: Applies a few features of the chosen genre. Creates interesting characters through, for example, their feelings and actions, physical description and/or dialogue. Creates setting/context with some descriptive detail. Attempts to use figurative language (imagery) to engage

		•	the reader, for example, simile, metaphor, alliteration and onomatopoeia. Creates plots with clear structures, for example, suitable opening, turning point, climax and/or satisfactory ending.
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	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I regularly select and listen to or watch texts for enjoyment and interest, and I can express how well they meet my needs and expectations, and I can give reasons, with evidence, for my personal response. I can regularly select subject, purpose, format and resources to create texts of my choice, and am developing my own style. LIT 3-01a / LIT 4-01a	 Selects spoken texts regularly and describes, with an appropriate explanation, how well a text or source meets needs and expectations.
	Tools for listening and talking - to help me when interacting or presenting within and beyond my place of learning	When I engage with others, I can make a relevant contribution, encourage others to contribute and acknowledge that they have the right to hold a different opinion. I can respond in ways appropriate to my role and use contributions to reflect on, clarify or adapt thinking. LIT 3-02a	 Contributes regularly in group discussions or when working collaboratively, offering relevant ideas, knowledge or opinions with supporting evidence. Responds appropriately to the views of others developing or adapting own thinking. Builds on the contributions of others, for example, by asking or answering questions, clarifying or summarising points, supporting or challenging opinions or ideas. Applies verbal and non-verbal techniques appropriately to enhance communication, for example, eye contact, body language, emphasis, pace, tone, and/or some rhetorical devices. Uses appropriate register for purpose and audience, for the most part.

	Having explored and analysed the features of spoken language, I can use these, adopting an appropriate register to suit my purpose and audience. ENG 3-03a	 Identifies features of spoken language, for example, body language, gesture, emphasis, pace, tone and/or rhetorical devices.
Finding and using information - when listening to, watching and talking about texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary	As I listen or watch, I can: identify and give an accurate account of the purpose and main concerns of the text, and can make inferences from key statements; identify and discuss similarities and differences between different types of text; and use this information for different purposes. LIT 3-04a As I listen or watch, I can make notes and organise these to develop thinking, help retain and recall information, explore issues and create new texts, using my own words as appropriate. LIT 3-05a / LIT 4-05 I can independently select ideas and relevant information for different purposes, organise essential information or ideas and any supporting detail in a logical order, and use suitable vocabulary to communicate effectively with my audience. LIT 3-06a / LIT 4-06a	 Identifies and gives an accurate account of the purpose and main ideas of spoken texts, with appropriate justification. Identifies similarities and differences between texts, for example, content, style and/or language. Uses own words to make and organise notes, selecting key information. Uses notes to create new texts that show understanding of the issue/subject.

Understanding, analysing and evaluating - investigating and/or appreciating texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary for different purposes	I can show my understanding of what I listen to or watch by commenting, with evidence, on the content and form of short and extended texts. LIT 3-07a To help me develop an informed view, I am learning about the techniques used to influence opinion and how to assess the value of my sources, and I can recognise persuasion.	 Comments on the content, form and/or style of spoken texts, with supporting evidence. Identifies persuasive techniques, for example, word choice, emotive language, repetition, rhetorical questions and/or use of statistics. Comments appropriately on the reliability and relevance/usefulness of sources.
Creating texts - applying the elements others use to create different types of short and extended texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and vocabulary	 When listening and talking with others for different purposes, <i>l</i> can: communicate information, ideas or opinions; explain processes, concepts or ideas; and identify issues raised, summarise findings or draw conclusions. LIT 3-09a I am developing confidence when engaging with others within and beyond my place of learning. I can communicate in a clear, expressive way and I am learning to select and organise resources independently. LIT 2-10a / LIT 3-10a	 Communicates in a clear expressive way in a variety of contexts. Presents ideas, information or points of view including appropriate detail or evidence. Organises thinking and structures talks to present ideas in a logical order. Introduces and concludes talks with some attempt to engage the audience. Uses signposts throughout talks to provide a basic structure or argument, for example, topic sentences and/or linking phrases. Uses appropriate tone and vocabulary for purpose and audience. Applies verbal and non-verbal techniques in an attempt to enhance communication and engagement with audience, for example, eye contact, body language, emphasis, pace, tone and/or some rhetorical devices. Selects and uses resources to enhance communication and engagement with audience.

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Reading	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I regularly select and read, listen to or watch texts for enjoyment and interest, and I can express how well they meet my needs and expectations and give reasons, with evidence, for my personal response. I can identify sources to develop the range of my reading.	 Selects texts regularly for enjoyment and interest or relevant sources to inform thinking. Gives a personal response to texts with appropriate justification. Explains how well a text or source meets needs and expectations with appropriate justification.
Rea	Tools for reading - to help me use texts with increasingly complex or unfamiliar ideas, structures and vocabulary within and beyond my place of learning	Through developing my knowledge of context clues, punctuation, grammar and layout, I can read unfamiliar texts with increasing fluency, understanding and expression. ENG 2-12a / ENG 3-12a / ENG 4-12a I can select and use the strategies and resources I find most useful before I read, and as I read, to monitor and check my understanding. LIT 3-13a	 Reads texts with fluency, understanding and expression using appropriate pace and tone. Applies knowledge of context clues, word roots, grammar, punctuation, sentence and text structures to read unfamiliar texts with understanding. Applies a range of strategies to engage with and interrogate texts, for example, skimming, scanning, predicting, clarifying, summarising and analysing.

•	Finding and using information - when reading and using fiction and non-fiction texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary	Using what I know about the features of different types of texts, I can find, select, sort, summarise, link and use information from different sources. LIT 3-14a / LIT 4-14a I can make notes and organise them to develop my thinking, help retain and recall information, explore issues and create new texts, using my own words as appropriate. LIT 3-15a / LIT 4-15a	•	Finds, selects and sorts relevant information from a variety of sources for a range of purposes. Summarises key information using own words. Uses own words to make and organise notes, selecting key information and linking ideas from more than one source. Uses notes to create new texts that show understanding of the topic or issue and draw on information from more than one source.
	Understanding, analysing and evaluating - investigating and/or appreciating fiction and non-fiction texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary for different purposes	 To show my understanding across different areas of learning, I can: identify and consider the purpose, main concerns or concepts and use supporting detail; make inferences from key statements; and identify and discuss similarities and differences between different types of text. 	•	Identifies purpose and audience of a range of texts with appropriate justification. Gives an accurate account of the main ideas of texts. Makes inferences and deductions with appropriate justification. Identifies similarities and differences between texts and makes appropriate comments about content, style and/or language.
		To show my understanding, I can comment, with evidence, on the content and form of short and extended texts, and respond to literal, inferential and	•	Responds to a range of close reading questions, including literal, inferential and evaluative questions, to show understanding of texts and knowledge of language.

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evaluative questions and other Identifies features of language and gives an appropriate explanation of the effect • types of close reading tasks. they have on the reader, for example, word choice, sentence structure, punctuation, ENG 3-17a grammar and/or imagery. To help me develop an informed view, I am exploring the techniques used to Identifies and makes appropriate comments about persuasive language such • influence my opinion. I can as word choice, emotive language, repetition, rhetorical guestions and/or recognise persuasion and use of statistics. assess the reliability of Comments on reliability and relevance/usefulness of sources with appropriate • information and credibility iustification. and value of my sources. LIT 3-18a I can: discuss and evaluate the • structure. characterisation Makes evaluative comments about structure, characterisation and/or setting and/or setting using some • with relevant reference to the text. supporting evidence; Shows understanding of the writer's theme and can link it to own or others' experiences. identify the main theme of • • the text and recognise the Identifies and makes evaluative comments about aspects of the writer's style, use of • language and other features appropriate to genre with supporting evidence. relevance this has to my own and others' experiences; and identify and comment • on aspects of the writer's style and other features appropriate to genre using some relevant evidence. ENG 3-19a

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	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I enjoy creating texts of my choice and I am developing my own style. I can regularly select subject, purpose, format and resources to suit the needs of my audience. LIT 3-20a / LIT 4-20a	•	Writes for a range of purposes and audiences selecting appropriate genre, form, structure and style to enhance communication and meet the needs of audience.
Writing	Tools for writing - using knowledge of technical aspects to help my writing communicate effectively within and beyond my place of learning	I can use a range of strategies and resources and spell most of the words I need to use, including specialist vocabulary, and ensure that my spelling is accurate. LIT 3-21a As appropriate to my purpose and type of text, I can punctuate and structure different types of sentences with sufficient accuracy, and arrange these to make meaning clear, showing straightforward relationships between paragraphs. LIT 3-22a / LIT 4-22a	•	Applies a range of strategies and resources to spell most words correctly including unfamiliar or specialist vocabulary. Uses more complex punctuation, where appropriate, to convey meaning or in an attempt to enhance writing, for example, inverted commas, exclamation marks, question marks, colons, parentheses and/or ellipses. Punctuation is varied and mainly accurate. Writes almost all sentences in a grammatically accurate way. Uses a variety of sentence structures, varying openings and lengths, for example, simple and complex sentences, lists and repetition. Uses paragraphs to structure content. Uses linking phrases and topic sentences to signpost a basic structure, line of thought or argument. Writes in a fluent and legible way. Reviews and edits writing to ensure clarity of meaning, technical accuracy and to improve content or language. Selects features of layout and presentation, including in digital texts, to clarify meaning and suit purpose and audience, for example, headings, bullet points, text boxes and/or relevant graphics.

Organising and using information	Throughout the writing process, I can review and edit my writing to ensure that it meets its purpose and communicates meaning at first reading. LIT 3-23a I can consider the impact that layout and presentation will have on my reader, selecting and using a variety of features appropriate to purpose and audience. LIT 3-24a I can use notes and other types of writing to generate	 Uses notes and/or other sources to generate ideas, inform thinking and support the creation of new texts.
- considering texts to help create short and extended texts for different pruposes	and develop ideas, retain and recall information, explore problems, make decisions or create original text. I recognise when it is appropriate to quote from sources and when I should put points into my own words. I can acknowledge my sources appropriately. LIT 3-25a	 Uses and acknowledges sources appropriately. Selects relevant ideas and information in cluding supporting detail or evidence. Organises ideas and information in a logical order. Uses varied and appropriate vocabulary to make meaning clear and/or to attempt to enhance writing.

		By considering the type of text I am creating, I can independently select ideas and relevant information for different purposes, and organise essential information or ideas and any supporting detail in a logical order. I can use suitable vocabulary to communicate effectively with my audience. LIT 3-26a / LIT 4-26a	
Writing	Creating texts - considering texts to help create short and extended texts for different purposes	I can engage and/or influence readers through my use of language, style and tone as appropriate to genre. ENG 3-27a / ENG 4-27a	 Creates short and extended texts regularly for a range of purposes and audiences. Engages and/or influences the reader through use of language, style and/or tone as appropriate to genre. When writing to convey information, describe events, explain processes or concepts, and combine ideas: Uses a style and format appropriate to purpose and audience, applying features
		I can convey information, describe events, explain processes or concepts, and combine ideas in different ways. LIT 3-28a	 of the chosen genre. Includes relevant ideas/knowledge/information with supporting detail or evidence. Organises and structures ideas or information in a logical order using linking words or phrases. Uses topic sentences to introduce the focus of paragraphs to signpost a basic structure. Uses appropriate tone and vocabulary for purpose and audience.
		I can persuade, argue, evaluate, explore issues or express an opinion using a clear line of thought, relevant supporting detail and/or evidence. LIT 3-29a	 When writing to persuade, argue, evaluate, explore issues or express an opinion: Presents ideas or conveys a point of view with relevant supporting detail or evidence. Organises and structures ideas or information in a logical order. Uses signposts to make structure and/or argument clear, for example, topic sentences and/or linking phrases. Includes an introduction that makes the purpose of the text clear and makes some attempt to engage the audience. Ends with a conclusion that sums up the line of thought. Uses language to influence or persuade the reader, for example, word choice, repetition, rhetorical questions and/or emotive language.

I can recreate a convinci impression of a personal experience for my reade sharing my feelings and reactions to the changing circumstances with some attempt at reflection.	 Establishes a clear context and setting for events. Describes events, making feelings and reactions clear. Makes some attempt to reflect on experiences and/or feelings. Engages and/or influences the reader through use of language, style and/or tone.
 Having explored the eler which writers use, I can texts in different genres integrating the conver of my chosen genre successfully; using convincing and appropriate structure creating interesting a convincing character building convincing s which come to life. 	 Applies key features of the chosen genre. Creates interesting and convincing characters. Creates a clear sense of setting with descriptive detail. Makes some attempt to engage the reader and achieve effects through, for example, narrative structure, mood/atmosphere and language. s; nd

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Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I regularly select and listen to or watch texts for enjoyment and interest, and I can express how well they meet my needs and expectations, and I can give reasons, with evidence, for my personal response. I can regularly select subject, purpose, format and resources to create texts of my choice, and I'm developing my own style.	•	Gives a personal response to spoken texts or explains how well a spoken text or source meets needs and expectations. Justifies opinion with appropriate reference to the text.
Tools for listening and talking - to help me when interacting or presenting within and beyond my place of learning	When I engage with others I can make a relevant contribution, ensure that everyone has an opportunity to contribute and encourage them to take account of others' points of view or alternative solutions. I can respond in ways appropriate to my role, exploring and expanding on contributions to reflect on, clarify or adapt thinking. LIT 4-02a	•	Participates fully in group discussions or when working collaboratively, contributing relevant ideas, knowledge or opinions with convincing supporting evidence. Responds positively and appropriately to the views of others, including when challenged, adapting thinking as appropriate. Builds on the contributions of others by clarifying or summarising points, exploring or expanding on contributions and/or challenging ideas or viewpoints. Applies a range of verbal and non-verbal techniques to enhance communication and engagement with audience, for example, eye contact, body language, emphasis, pace, tone and/or rhetorical devices. Sustains appropriate register for purpose and audience.

		Having explored and analysed the features of spoken language, I can use these independently, adopting and sustaining an appropriate register to suit my purpose and audience. ENG 4-03a	•	Identifies a range of features of spoken language and explains the effect they have on the listener, for example, body language, gesture, emphasis, pace, tone and/or rhetorical devices.
Listening and talking	Finding and using information • when listening to, watching and talking about texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary	 As I listen or watch, I can: clearly state the purpose and main concerns of a text and make inferences from key statements; compare and contrast different types of text; and gather, link and use information from different sources and use this for different purposes. LIT 4-04a As I listen or watch, I can make notes and organise these to develop thinking, help retain and recall information, explore issues and create new texts, using my own words as appropriate. LIT 3-05a / LIT 4-05a 	•	Identifies purpose, audience and main ideas of a range of spoken texts. Justifies opinions with appropriate reference to the text. Compares and contrasts aspects of content, style and/or language of different spoken texts. Uses own words to make and organise notes, synthesising key information from more than one source. Uses notes to create new texts that show understanding of the issue/subject and draw on information from more than one source.

	I can independently select ideas and relevant information for different purposes, organise essential information or ideas and any supporting detail in a logical order, and use suitable vocabulary to communicate effectively with my audience. LIT 3-06a / LIT 4-06a	
Understanding, analysing and evaluating - investigating and/or appreciating texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary for different purposes	I can show my understanding of what I listen to or watch by giving detailed, evaluative comments, with evidence, on the content and form of short and extended texts. LIT 4-07a To help me develop an informed view, I can identify some of the techniques used to influence or persuade and can assess the value of my sources.	 Makes detailed evaluative comments about aspects of the content, form and style of spoken texts. Identifies persuasive language, for example, word choice, emotive language, repetition, rhetorical questions, use of statistics and/or hyperbole. Comments appropriately on the relevance, reliability and credibility of sources, justifying opinion with reference to the text.

 applying the elements others use to create different types of short and extended texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and vocabulary explain concerns with support sum ut finding 	tening and talking with r different purposes, I aunicate detailed mation, ideas inions in processes, epts or ideas come relevant orting detail; and up ideas, issues, gs or conclusions. LIT 4-09a mmunicate in a clear, ive manner when g with others nd beyond my learning, and can dently select and e appropriate es as required. LIT 4-10a	Displays confidence and communicates in a clear, expressive way in a variety of contexts. Presents ideas or information, or sustains a point of view with relevant supporting evidence. Structures talks in a clear and coherent way. Introduces and concludes talks in a way that interests and engages the audience. Uses signposts throughout talks to support a structured line of thought or argument, for example, topic sentences, linking phrases or concluding statements. Adapts tone, vocabulary and language to communicate effectively with audience. Applies a range of verbal and non-verbal communication skills to enhance communication and engagement with audience, for example, eye contact, body language, emphasis, pace, tone and/or rhetorical devices. Selects and uses well-chosen resources to enhance communication and engagement with audience.
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0	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I regularly select and read texts for enjoyment and interest, and I can express how well they meet my needs and expectations and give reasons, with evidence, for my personal response. I can independently identify sources to develop the range of my reading.	 Selects regularly and independently, texts for enjoyment and interest or relevant sources to inform thinking. Gives a personal response to spoken texts or explains how well a spoken text or source meets needs and expectations, justifying opinion with relevant reference to the text.
Reading	Tools for reading - to help me use texts with increasingly complex or unfamiliar ideas, structures and vocabulary within and beyond my place of learning	Through developing my knowledge of context clues, punctuation, grammar and layout, I can read unfamiliar texts with increasing fluency, understanding and expression. ENG 2-12a / ENG 3-12a / ENG 4-12a Before and as I read, I can apply strategies and use resources independently to help me read a wide variety of texts and/or find the information I need. LIT 4-13a	 Reads with fluency, understanding and expression across a wide range of texts. Applies knowledge of language such as word roots, grammar, punctuation, tone, sentence and text structures to read texts with understanding. Applies a range of strategies to engage with and interrogate texts, for example, skimming, scanning, predicting, clarifying, summarising, analysing and annotating.

	Finding and using information - when reading and using fiction and non-fiction texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary	Using what I know about the features of different types of texts, I can find, select, sort, summarise, link and use information from different sources. LIT 3-14a / LIT 4-14a I can make notes and organise them to develop my thinking, help retain and recall information, explore issues and create new texts, using my own words as appropriate. LIT 3-15a / LIT 4-15a	•	Finds, selects and sorts essential information from a variety of sources for a range of purposes. Summarises key information, from more than one source, using own words. Uses own words to make and organise notes, synthesising key information from different sources. Uses notes to create new texts that show an understanding of the topic or issue, synthesising information from different sources.
Reading	Understanding, analysing and evaluating - investigating and/or appreciating fiction and non-fiction texts with increasingly complex ideas, structures and specialist vocabulary for different purposes	 To show my understanding across different areas of learning, I can: clearly state the purpose, main concerns, concepts or arguments and use supporting detail; make inferences from key statements and state these accurately in my own words; and compare and contrast different types of text LIT 4-16a 	•	States clearly the purpose, audience and main ideas of a range of texts with appropriate justification. Makes accurate inferences with appropriate justification. Compares and contrasts the content, style and language of different texts with supporting detail.

To show my understanding, I can give detailed, evaluative comments, with evidence, on the content and form of short and extended texts, and respond to different kinds of questions and other types of close reading tasks.

ENG 4-17a

To help me develop an informed view, I can recognise persuasion and bias, identify some of the techniques used to influence my opinion, and assess the reliability of information and credibility and value of my sources.

LIT 4-18a

I can:

- discuss and evaluate the effectiveness of structure, characterisation and/or setting using some supporting evidence;
- identify how the writer's main theme or central concerns are revealed and can recognise how they relate to my own and others' experiences; and
- identify and make a personal evaluation of the effect of aspects of the writer's style and other features appropriate to genre using some relevant evidence and terminology.

- Responds in detail to a range of close reading questions to show understanding of texts and knowledge and understanding of language.
- Makes evaluative comments about the effect of features of language, for example, word choice, sentence structure, punctuation, grammar and/or imagery.

- Identifies the use of bias and persuasion and comments appropriately on some of the techniques used, for example, word choice, emotive language, repetition, rhetorical questions, use of statistics and/or hyperbole.
- Makes evaluative comments about relevance, reliability and credibility of sources, with appropriate justification.

- Makes evaluative comments about the effectiveness of structure, characterisation and/or setting with relevant reference to the text.
- Shows understanding of how the writer's theme is developed and recognises how it relates to own or others' experiences/the writer's purpose/the central concerns of the text.
- Identifies and makes evaluative comments on aspects of the writer's style, use of language and other features appropriate to genre with detailed reference to the text and appropriate terminology.

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	Enjoyment and choice - within a motivating and challenging environment developing an awareness of the relevance of texts in my life	I enjoy creating texts of my choice and I am developing my own style. I can regularly select subject, purpose, format and resources to suit the needs of my audience. LIT 3-20a / LIT 4-20a	• Writes for a range of purposes and audiences. Makes well-considered choices about genre, form, structure and style to enhance communication and meet the needs of the audience.
Writing	Tools for writing - using knowledge of technical aspects to help my writing communicate effectively within and beyond my place of learning	l can use a range of strategies and resources independently and ensure that my spelling, including specialist vocabulary, is accurate. LIT 4-21a As appropriate to my purpose and type of text, I can punctuate and structure different types of sentences with sufficient accuracy, and arrange these to make meaning clear, showing straightforward relationships between paragraphs. LIT 3-22a / LIT 4-22a	 Applies a range of strategies and resources to ensure accuracy of spelling including unfamiliar or specialist vocabulary. Uses a variety of punctuation, including more complex punctuation, to convey meaning and enhance writing, for example, inverted commas, colons, semi-colons, parentheses, dashes and ellipses. Punctuation is varied and accurate. Writes grammatically accurate sentences. Uses a variety of sentence structures to clarify meaning and enhance writing, for example, simple and complex sentences, lists, repetition and/or minor sentences. Structures writing effectively using a variety of linking phrases and topic sentences to signpost a clear structure, line of thought or argument. Writes in a fluent and legible way. Reviews and edits writing independently to ensure clarity of meaning, technical accuracy and to improve content, language and/or structure. Selects features of layout and presentation, including in digital texts, to enhance communication and/or impact on the reader, justifying choices.

		Throughout the writing process, I can review and edit my writing independently to ensure that it meets its purpose and communicates meaning clearly at first reading. LIT 4-23a I can justify my choice and use of layout and presentation in terms of the intended impact on my reader.	
Writing	Organising and using information - considering texts to help create short and extended texts for different pruposes	I can use notes and other types of writing to generate and develop ideas, retain and recall information, explore problems, make decisions, or create original text. I can make appropriate and responsible use of sources and acknowledge these appropriately. <i>LIT 4-25a</i> By considering the type of text I am creating, I can independently select ideas and relevant information for different purposes, and organise essential information or ideas and any supporting detail in a logical order. I can use suitable	 Uses notes and/or other sources to generate ideas, inform thinking and support the creation of new texts. Makes responsible use of sources, acknowledging and referencing sources appropriately. Selects relevant ideas and information including essential detail or evidence. Organises essential ideas and information to convey a structured line of thought. Uses varied and appropriate vocabulary to communicate effectively and/or to enhance writing.

		vocabulary to communicate effectively with my audience. LIT 3-26a / LIT 4-26a	
- h e	Creating texts to help create short and extended texts for different purposes	<text><text><text><text><text><text><text></text></text></text></text></text></text></text>	 Creates short and extended texts regularly for a range of purposes and audiences. Engages and/or influences the reader through use of language, style and/or tone as appropriate to genre, in order to create particular effects. When writing to convey information, describe events, explain processes or concepts, and combine ideas: Uses a style and format that is well-suited to the purpose and audience applying the features of the chosen genre effectively. Includes relevant ideas/knowledge/information with essential detail or evidence. Structures writing effectively using a variety of linking phrases and topic sentences to signpost a clear structure. Uses appropriate tone and vocabulary throughout. When writing to persuade, argue, evaluate, explore issues or express and justify an opinion: Presents ideas or sustains a point of view including essential detail and supporting evidence. Conveys a clear line of thought with effective linking phrases and topic sentences. Includes an effective introduction and conclusion. Uses language to create particular effects or influence/persuade the reader, for example, word choice, repetition, emotive language, rhetorical devices and/or sentence structure. When writing to convey personal experiences: Recounts events convincingly, clearly establishing the context/setting for events. Conveys feelings/reactions and reflects on experiences with a sense of involvement. Engages and/or influences the reader through use of language, style and/or tone.

Having explored and experimented with the narrative structures which writers use to create texts in different genres, I can: Use the conventions of my chosen genre successfully; Create an appropriate mood or atmosphere; and Create convincing relationships, actions and dialogue for my characters. ENG 4-31a	 When writing imaginatively or creatively: Applies features of the chosen genre effectively. Develops plot, setting and character in a satisfying way. Engages the reader and achieves particular effects through use of narrative devices, mood/atmosphere and/or language. Uses structure effectively to enhance writing.
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