Kindergarten: LISTENING

Listening	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Vocabulary: Understanding words and what they mean	I can understand a few words about things that are important to me. I need people to show me pictures and use their hands to help me understand.	I can understand some words that help me talk to my friends. I can also understand when my teachers ask me to do something if they show me pictures to help me.	I can understand words that help me understand where things are or what kinds of things they are.	I can understand words that describe and compare things.	I can understand many words that help explain ideas. I can understand enough words to understand stories by knowing what things happen first and what things happen next.
	 Show me your hands. Sit on your chair, please. Let's jump! 	 For example: Let's go to the park. Are you at school or at home? Do you like dogs? 	 Put your shoes under your table and then hang your coat on the hook. Why is the brown dog on the chair? 	 Can you give me an example of something that is loud and something that is quiet? The boy was small, but the dog was big. The boy was scared. That's why he cried. 	For example: • First, the small dog barked. Next, the big dog started to bark. Then the boy got scared and ran away.

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Syntax: Understanding sentences and how they are made	I can understand when people say one to three words at a time if they use their hands or show me pictures to help me understand.	I can understand when people say four to six words together about things I know. It helps me understand when people use their hands and show me pictures.	I can understand simple sentences about things I know. It helps me understand when people use their hands and show me pictures.	I can understand longer sentences about topics I know. It helps me understand when people use their hands and show me pictures.	I can understand what people are saying even when they use different kinds of sentences or when the sentences are long and have many details.
	For example: Boots on tray. Come here.	 For example: Circle time. Go to the carpet. Bring your cup to the table. 	For example:Put the blocks in the box.Where is the lion?	 Work with your friend to build a tower with all of the red blocks. 	For example: Use all of the blocks on your table to build either a tower or a bridge.

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Strategic Questioning: Knowing how to find information	I can understand questions that let me choose "yes" or "no" for an answer.	I can understand questions that let me choose one answer or another.	I can understand questions about things I know when they start with "What" "When" "Where" "Who"	I can understand questions that start with • "Why" • "How" • "Can you tell me about"	I can understand questions that ask me to think about how things might be different, especially questions that start with "What if" or "If what"
	For example: Do you have your snack? Are you feeling cold?	For example: Do you want to use a pen or a pencil? Is this a cow or a horse?	For example: Who was Frog's friend? Where did they go? What did they do?	 For example: Why is Frog sad? How did Toad get stuck? Can you tell me about the difference between summer and winter? 	For example: What if it started to rain? If you were Peter in this story, what would you do?

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Strategic Clarification: Knowing how to check my own understanding	I can understand in class by watching and copying my friends.	I can understand by listening for important words and copying what others do.	I can understand new words I have heard by looking at pictures the expressions on people's faces what people show with their hands	I can ask questions to help me understand.	I can use many different strategies to help me understand, like asking people to repeat what they said repeating what I understood asking questions
	For example: When the teacher talks, I look at friends and do exactly what they do.	For example: I hear the teacher say, "Clean up," and then I copy what my friends do.	 I understand what "fin" means by looking at the picture of a fish in the book my teacher is reading. I understand that when people hold their hand out with the palm facing up, they want me to give them something. 	 What did you say? Can you tell me again? What is that animal? 	For example: I look at books. I ask questions. I look at pictures and objects.

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Knowing that people choose different words and ways of talking in different situations and with different people	I can understand when people say "hello" or "goodbye." I also notice that people will sometimes wave when they say "hello" and "goodbye."	I can understand words my friends say when they want to know how I feel and when they invite me to do something. It helps me to understand what people are saying when I notice the expressions on their faces and the way they move their hands while they talk.	I can understand instructions in class about things we will be doing. I can hear words that might have more than one meaning.	I can understand different ways my friends and teachers tell me to do something. For example, they might tell me to give them something or they might ask me to give them something.	I can understand that children use words like "Mr." and "Mrs." when they talk to adults who are not part of their family.
	For example: Hello. See ya later. Bye.	For example: Want to play? How are you? My friend waves for me to come with him and says, "Follow me. Let's go outside."	For example: It's time to clean up. We are going to the park tomorrow. Trees have bark. Dogs bark. The runners in the race all had new runners.	For example: I would like to have the book. Get the book, please. Can you bring me the book? My teacher holds out her hand and says, "The book, please."	For example: Rachel, let's play in the hospital centre. Dr. Kuan, I'm very sick and I need medicine. Mr. Okelu said we should go inside now.

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Discourse: Knowing how ideas are connected	I can understand one or two words when people show me pictures or when they use their hands to show me what they mean.	I can understand when people tell me to do one thing, but I need them to use their hands to help me understand.	I can understand when people tell me to do two things and then show me pictures or use their hands to help me understand.	I can understand when people tell me to do three things and then show me pictures or use their hands to help me understand.	I can understand when people tell me to do three things without showing me any pictures or using their hands to help me understand.
	For example: Stop. Sit down. Come here.	For example:Show me your shoes.Go to the carpet.	For example: • Put your blocks away, and then come to the carpet.	For example: • Draw a picture, cut it out, and glue it into your journal.	For example: • Put your boots on the tray, hang your coat on the hook, and put your indoor shoes on.

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Auditory Discrimination: Hearing all the different sounds in words	I can recognize different sounds in English words.	I know some of the words when someone talks to me about things I know.	I can hear each of the different words in a sentence.	I can hear the difference between words that sound almost the same but are different.	I can hear when words rhyme. I can also understand words even when people speak quickly.
	For example: I can hear that the "buh" sound at the start of the word "bike" is different from the "luh" sound in the word "like."	For example: I can recognize the words "shoe" and "rack" when the teacher says, "Please put your shoes on the shoe rack."	For example: • When the teacher says, "Sit at the table," I know she said four words.	For example: I can hear the difference between "rake/lake," "mat/mad," "he's/his," and "pig/big." When I hear "cuz" and "because," I know they mean the same thing.	 I can hear words that rhyme, like "snake/rake" or "red/head." I can understand when the teacher quickly says, "It's time for the story. Grab your cushion and have a seat."

Kindergarten: SPEAKING

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Vocabulary: Understanding words and what they mean	I can use a few words that help me get what I need.	I can use words to answer simple questions and to do everyday things in class with my friends.	I can use new words to share ideas and talk with my friends and teachers.	I can use words I have learned at school that help me describe, explain things, and tell others what I have learned about school topics.	I can use many different words that help me to compare, connect, and put ideas in order.
	For example: Water. Eat. Stop. Bike. Ball.	 For example: It's my turn. I like orange juice. I run fast. 	For example: It's in my pocket. Can I have glue, please? Get the other one.	 For example: My zipper is stuck. Today the weather is cold and windy. My mom is a nurse. 	 I went to the office because I was sick. When we take turns, everybody gets to play. After we visit my relatives, we are going to go camping.

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Grammar: Using sentences that follow the rules of English	I can use one word at a time.	I can use a few words together. I can talk about myself and other people.	I can change words to tell when there is more than one of something or when something happened before.	I can use "is" and "are" to talk about other people.	I can use the right words to say "more than one," like saying "feet" instead of "foots." I can use the right action words and endings when I talk about things that happened before.
	For example: Shoes. Eat. Run. Blue. Big.	For example: I have a big dog. I am at school. We like recess.	 For example: My friends play with me. I jumped in the water. We looked at the birds. 	 For example: She is my friend. We are playing outside. My dog is friendly. 	For example: 1 foot/2 feet 1 man/2 men 1 mouse/2 mice There are two toys on the table. I thought the dog was in the park.

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Syntax: Combining words to make sentences	I can use one or two words.	I can make short sentences by using sentences I have heard at school.	I can make simple sentences on my own.	I can make sentences that tell something, ask a question, or use the word "not."	I can make sentences that are longer and have more detail.
	For example: Go home. Over there.	For example: I have long hair. I like ice cream. I like recess.	 For example: We play together. She is my friend. 	 For example: I like the big elephant. I do not like the lion's teeth. Don't feed candy to the ducks. 	 For example: Let's go see the tigers over there! Don't stand too close to the cage.

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Strategic: Using strategies to communicate with others	I can use words and actions to show what I need.	I can copy others to do everyday things in class.	I can use words and phrases I have heard others say.	I can ask and answer questions.	I can ask and answer questions using different strategies, like taking turns with my friends asking questions when I don't know the right word to say listening to others to help me think about what to say
	For example: • nodding or pointing • saying words like "yes," "no," "washroom," or "water"	For example: Tidy up, tidy up, everybody, tidy up. Circle time.	For example: • Sure, let's go over there.	 For example: Do you like this book? I like the funny giraffe. 	 For example: You can have the black paint. Can I use the blue paint first?

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Socio-Linguistic: Knowing when and where it is proper to use different kinds of language with different people	I can use greetings as a way to begin talking with other people. I can use my hands to wave, point, or show what I want to say and what I need.	I can use words to be polite to everyone.	I can use many sentences that are polite and that show people that I care about them. I can use different expressions with adults than I use with my friends.	I can describe and explain things using action words that have two parts, like pick up watch out get up run out take off switch on	I can use the right way of speaking at the park with my friends and in the classroom with my teachers. I know that I can use everyday language like, "He finally showed up" when I talk to my friends, but I know it would be better to say, "He came late" to my teacher.
	For example: Hello. Hi. Please. Thanks. Goodbye. I sometimes also wave hello or goodbye or point to things I need.	For example: Yes, please. No, thank you. How are you? I am fine. Can I have this?	For example: You are nice. Thanks for coming over. Can I sit here? "How's it going?" when I speak to my friends, but "How are you?" when speaking to my teacher.	 For example: My dad is picking me up after school. Can I give out the crayons? I sorted them out into groups. 	For example: To a friend, I might say, "Want to paint with me?" To a teacher, I might say, "Can I please paint now?"

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Discourse: Knowing how ideas are connected	I can connect two or three words together.	I can connect a few words together using "and." I can also connect words into simple phrases.	I can connect ideas using "then" at the beginning of a sentence.	I can connect ideas using "because" in longer sentences.	I can use different words to show which idea comes first and which ideas come next.
	For example: • Play now?	For example:Boots and mitts.Snack and play time?	For example: I draw a picture. Then I draw dad. Then I draw mom and baby.	For example: I love red because I love fire trucks.	For example: • First, I make a picture of my house. Then I make the Sun. It is sunny outside.

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Pronunciation: Knowing how words are said	I can try to say English words I have heard before.	I can say English words close to the way they should sound most of the time.	I can say most English words clearly and most people understand me.	I can speak clearly and everyone understands me, especially when I've had time to practise.	I can speak clearly, and everyone understands me all the time. I speak English with an accent, but that's totally okay. My accent is cool!
	For example: People usually understand me when I say: "Cat." "Hello." "Ball."	For example: People usually understand me when I say: "Good morning." "I like winter time."	For example: People can understand me when I say: • "How are you today?" • "I am five." • "Let's sit on the floor." • "Elephant." • "Telephone."	For example: People can tell the difference when I say: • "sue" or "shoe" • "fries" or "flies" • "pig" or "big" • "sit" or "seat"	For example: Some English sounds that are not in my home language are still hard for me to say, like "th" and "l." that both look ruler