

**Speech, Language and Communication
Screening Tool**
60 - 71 months / 5;0– 5;11 years



Name:	Languages Spoken:
DOB:	Age at screen (months):
Screen completed by:	Date completed:

Connection with Others

What does their play look like?	
What do their friendships look like?	
How do they interact with adults?	
What is important to them?	
What do they find difficult? This might include their frustrations or things that upset them.	

If the child is non-speaking please now only complete the 'Following Instruction' section, before proceeding to Page 5: Summary and Next Steps.

Speaking


Stammering	<p>You might notice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - repeating words, or parts of words - stretching of words - getting stuck on words 	What have you noticed and what impact does this have?
Quiet Children / Situational Mutism	<p>You might notice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - they talk to parents or peers, but do not yet talk with less familiar adults - parents and setting staff observing different behaviours 	What have you noticed and what impact does this have?

If you have identified an impact in the 'Speaking Section' above do not complete the rest of the Screening Tool. You should proceed directly to Page 5: Summary and Next Steps.

Following instructions

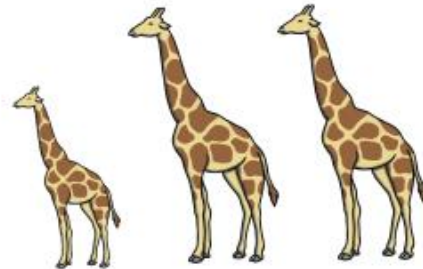
Following instructions has two sections: concepts and following directions and why question.



		✓
Concepts and following directions	Instruction: 'Point to all the dogs <u>except</u> the ones that are sleeping'	
	Instruction: 'Point to the <u>little brown dog</u> and the <u>big white dog</u> '	
	Instruction: 'Point to the <u>big black and white dog</u> that is sleeping'	
		
	Instruction: 'Point to a <u>square</u> , a <u>triangle</u> and then a <u>circle</u> '	
	Instruction: 'Point to the <u>last little triangle</u> , the <u>big circle</u> and the <u>little square</u> '	
Why question	Instruction: 'Why do we wash our hands?'	
	Response	
Total		

Vocabulary

Instruction: 'Let's look at these giraffes'.



Instruction: 'Which one is the smallest?'

Instruction: 'Which one is second?'

Instruction: 'Sock, jumper, trousers. These are all?'

Instruction: 'Ice is cold, fire is...?'

Instruction: 'Point to your elbow'



Instruction: 'Which one has the most?'

Instruction: 'Can you tell me what you see?'
Pointing allowed



Total

5 - 6 accurate responses	Green	
3 - 4 accurate responses	Amber	
0 - 2 accurate responses	Red	

7 - 8 accurate responses	Green	
4 - 6 accurate responses	Amber	
0 - 3 accurate responses	Red	

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Sentences

Instruction: **'Let's look at these pictures'**.
Record the child's response. *Award one point for the target word and one for a 5+ word sentence used.*

Instruction: **'Have a look at this picture. Why do you think the girl is sad?'**



Response
'because the dog stole her sandwich'



'because'

5+ words

Instruction: **'Why are the boy and girl wet?'**



Response
'They fell into the swimming pool'



'they'

5+ words

Instruction: **'What's happening?'**



Response
'The butterflies are on the feet'



'feet'

5+ words

Total

Story-telling

Instruction: **'Have a look at this picture'**.
A maximum of two points can be awarded per question; however the child must achieve the appropriate/relevant point in order to achieve the second point for the question. Refer to the manual for scoring information and examples.



Instruction: **'What's happening in the picture?'**

Response

Key words

lady drop shopping
boy pick up



Appropriate and relevant

4+ key words used

Instruction: **'What will happen next?'**

Response



Appropriate prediction

Future tense

Instruction: **'What will the boy say to the lady?'**

Response



Relevant to situation

Voice of boy used

Total

Sentence score of 5 - 6

Green

Sentence score of 3 - 4

Amber

Sentence score of 0 - 2

Red

Total Story-telling score of 5 - 6

Green

Total Story-telling score of 3 - 4

Amber

Total Story-telling score of 0 - 2

Red






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Speech Sounds

Instruction: **'Tell me what you can see'.**
Record the child's responses. Pay particular attention to the underlined sounds:

Other Observations

Space to record any other appropriate observations.
Comment on any impact a communication need is having.

		Response	✓
spider			
monkey			
van			
sheep			
jam			
Total			

5 accurate responses	Green	
3 - 4 accurate responses	Amber	
0 - 2 accurate responses	Red	

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Summary and Next Steps

Area of communication		Green	Amber	Red
Language	Following instructions			
	Vocabulary			
	Sentences			
	Story-telling			
Speech Sounds				

Speech and Language Risk factors		✓
Parental / Professional Concern		
Lack of progress with language despite targeted support		
Late to talk, with language comprehension difficulties		
Not yet pointing or using of gesture		
Family history of language difficulties		

Disordered Speech, Language and Communication Development		✓
These indicators are signs of disordered speech, language and communication development at 5 years.	Preference for less interaction with others	
	Using three word utterances at most	
	Difficulties understanding spoken language	
	Largely unintelligible to strangers	

On completion of the Screening Tool please refer to Speech, Language and Communication Screening Tool Resource Pack for recommendations of strategies and activities to support the areas of communication indicated.

What are we going to do next?	✓	Other actions
Discuss and share results from the Screening Tool with the child's family		
Complete Speech, Language and Communication Planning Sheet		
Develop an Individualised Education Plan		
Implement tailored advice and strategies from the Resource Pack		
Attend relevant Advice and Support Session(s)		
Contact Speech and Language Therapy Advice Service		

