Oracy



WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF TALK?

WHY IS TALK IMPORTANT?

The **aims** of today's inset

- Vision and intent of Talk at Seven Kings.
- Deconstructing talk and teaching the <u>process</u> of discussion
 - → How to structure 'rich and purposeful' talk within your class.
 - \rightarrow Talk as a process.
 - → An opportunity for you to reflect on your own practice.
 - → Sharing good practice



Communication and language are the roots underpinning success across the curriculum, and that good communication skills can enhance every type of learning, resulting in great outcomes.

Pupils develop the skills to reason, discuss, debate and present their learning in a variety of contexts with increasing skill and confidence.

INTENT

We, at Seven Kings, provide an environment rich in 'Talk'.

Children are immersed in high-quality 'Talk' to fully explore their communication and language skills to equip them for the wider world.

Embedding into the wider curriculum

Oracy strategies linked to reading

TOOLKIT

CURRICULUM COHESION

Tools and strategies to develop 'rich and purposeful' Talk in your class.

What opportunities do you provide for your students to learn through talk and to talk? What does oracy look like in your classroom?

Peer talk/discussion/listening carefully to the responses of their peers/responding appropriately

Paired talk, whole class ABC cards, sentence st

I try to plan in opportun other children and feed answers ideas. I find giv boards work really well

Partner talk, would you

talking stories, retelling discussions. Communic milestones at the end o

As I plan the English, th also regular opportuniti

Use of learning partners to articulate learning - not just to give their opinions, but to justify these too. Ensuring children have the chance to verbalise 'what their brain did' when problem solving in order to help their learning stick. Encouraging healthy disagreements and how to respectfully construct a debate. Playing 'devil's advocate' and allowing children the chance to 'argue' with me. Planning for an abundance of talk prior to writing to allow children to think it - say it - write it. Using 'My turn - your turn' for new vocabulary.

Talk partners
Whole class discussion

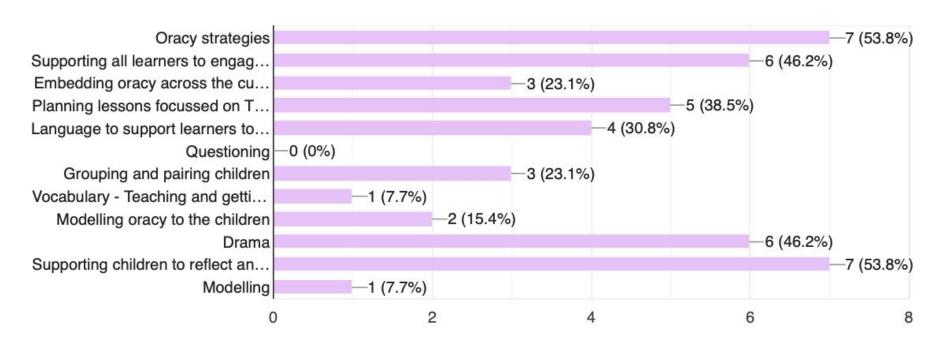
Talk partners, debates, 1:1 conversations, group work

Most english lessons plan a Oracy starter. Children often get into discussion circles to talk about issues within PSHE sessions.

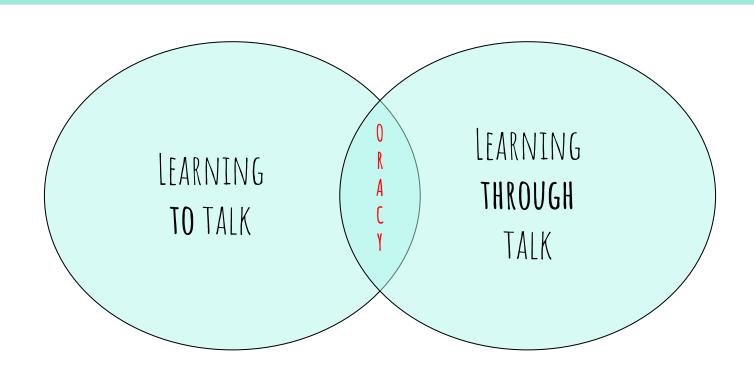
Lots of pair and group learning across the curriculum; pair marking of learning - reading our reading answers and sharing their thoughts; paired writing - poetry/descriptions; paired editing and uplevelling

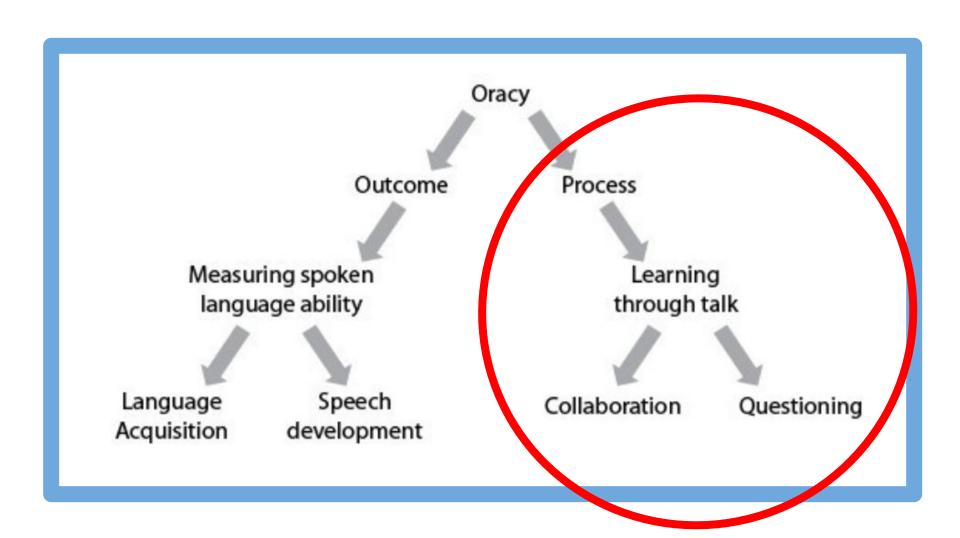
To support you on your oracy journey, what do you feel you need support with? Please select all that apply.

13 responses



Oracy is the ability to articulate ideas, develop understanding and engage with others through spoken language.





"DISCUSSION, THE MOST COMMON FORM OF EXPLORATORY TALK, ALLOWS CHILDREN TO SHARE THEIR IDEAS AND ENGAGE WITH THOSE OF OTHERS.

STUDENTS ARE **ACTIVELY INVOLVED** IN THE **DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR OWN KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING**.

STUDENTS CONSTANTLY **RE-EVALUATE** THEIR OWN POSITION IN RELATION TO OTHERS AND CRUCIALLY **LEARN FROM THEIR PEERS**, AND NOT JUST THE TEACHER.

Oracy is not just talking.

- Physical aspects how we use our voice and body to communicate.
- Linguistic aspects how we structure what we say and choose appropriate vocabulary.
- Cognitive aspects staying focused whilst speaking and when listening to others, asking appropriate questions and explaining opinions using reasons.
- Social & emotional aspects working with others, listening and responding and increasing confidence.



TEACHER AS THE FACILITATOR

- The role of the teacher is not to impart knowledge.
- Instead, your role is the creation of opportunity so the children can develop and rehearse their understanding together.
- Creating an atmosphere embedded in trust. A safe environment.
- Providing frames of reference and models for good discussion.



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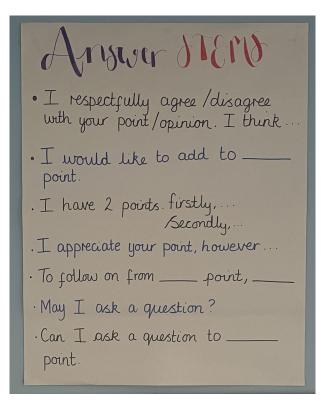
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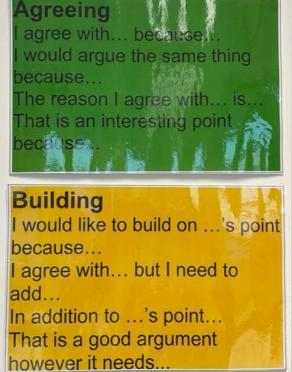
Have these clearly displayed in your classroom.

Link these back the language of **rights**.



Answer Stems - Developing and setting the 'expectation' of the language of Talk







In your year groups, **talk** about:

- 1) <u>Discussion guidelines</u> develop 6 statements which create a culture and environment for 'Talk'.
- 2) <u>Answer Stems</u> Come up with answer stems which will structure talk within the classroom.

These will be used by all children across the school.

Film clips

What did the speakers do well? What could they improve on?



https://noisyclassroom.com/video/this-house-believes-that-computers-are-better-than-books/

Let's have a go ...

What do the children do well?

What could they improve on?

Year 6 WW2 poetry recitation.

Discussion Roles

Discussion roles help students to manage talk and encourage the development of certain speaking and listening skills.



Starts the discussion or opens up a new topic for discussion
Will say:

I would like to start by saying ...
I think we should consider ...
We haven't yet talked about ...
Let's also think about ...



Prober

Digs deeper into the argument, asks for evidence or justification of ideas

Will say:

What do you think would be the effect of ...?
Why do you think ...?
Can you provide an example to support what you are saying?



Gives reasons to disagree or presents an alternative argument

Will say:

I disagree with you because ...
You mentioned X but what about ...
To challenge you X, I think ...
I understand your point of view, but have you thought about ...?



Simplifies and makes things clearer by asking questions

Will say:

What do you mean when you say ...? Can you explain a bit more about ...? Does that mean ...? Please can you clarify what you meant by ...?



Summariser

Identifies the main ideas from the discussion. This might be during the discussion, to help move the conversation forward, or at the end of the discussion.

Will say:

Overall, the main points were ... The main ideas raised today were ... Our discussion focused on ... The three main things we talked about were ...



Builder

Develops, adds to or runs with an idea

Will say:

I agree, and would like to add... Building on that idea, I think ... Linking to what X said, I think...



Reflection and the metacognition

- "What did you learn today?"
- "Can anyone share something that someone else has said that made you reconsider what you initially thought?"
- "Who changed your mind in the discussion today and how?"
- "I like the journey you have gone through. At the beginning, you thought X, but now you think X. Why is this?"

Promotes and encourages active listening.

(Cognitive aspects of Talk)

Features of a non-chronological report.

Would you include similes in a non-chronological report?

Ancient Egypt

Over 5,000 years ago, one of the world's oldest and greatest civilizations developed in Egypt in north Africa. Egypt's prosperity was based on the River Nile, which made farming possible. The Egyptians invented a system of writing and became great scholars and artists. Ancient Egypt is famous for its magnificent temples and tombs.

The Nile

The Greek scholar Herodotus called Egypt "the gift of the Nile." The river watered the strip of land along its banks, transforming desert into green fields. The Nile also acted as a watery highway and provided food such as fish.



Key Facts

- · Every year, the Nile flooded, depositing rich mud that made the land fertile.
- · Farmers raised river water with a device called a shaduf. They dug ditches to channel the water through their fields of crops.
- · The Nile provided the main mode of transport in ancient Egypt. People travelled in boats made of reeds or timber.

Early history

By 3200 BCE two kingdoms had grown up along the Nile: Upper Egypt in the south, and Lower Egypt in the north. In 3100 BCE King Narmer united the two. Egyptian history is divided into three main periods, called the Old, Middle, and New Kingdoms. In between were times of unrest.

Key Facts

- Early Dynastic Period (c. 3100 2686 BCE). This era began when King Narmer united Egypt.
- Old Kingdom (c. 2686–2181 BCE). A period of strong rule and the great age of pyramid-building.
- First Intermediate Period (c. 2181– 2055 BCE). A time of great unrest.
- Middle Kingdom (c. 2055 1650 BCE). An age of powerful kings who ruled from the city of Thebes.



Later history



Tutankhamun ruled briefly in New Kingdom times

At its height the Egyptian Empire stretched from Nubia in the south all the way to modern Iraq. However after 747 BCE Egypt was often ruled by foreign empires. In 30 BCE it was conquered by Rome.

Key Facts

- · Second Intermediate Period (c. 1650-1550 BCE). A time of unrest, when Egypt was conquered by the Hyksos.
- New Kingdom (c. 1550–1069 BCE). The Hyksos were driven out and Egypt became powerful again.
- · Third Intermediate Period (c. 1069-747 BCE). A period of unrest, invasion, and foreign rule.
- Late period (c. 747–332 BCE). Persia ruled Egypt for part of this.
- Prolemaic Period (c. 332-30 BCE). Greek leader Alexander the Great conquered Egypt in 332 BCE. His general Ptolemy founded the Ptolemaic dynasty. In 30 BCE Egypt became part of the Roman Env

PSHE



To introduce	I have <u>two</u> points. Firstly, Secondly,
To agree	I agree with because The reason I agree with is That is an interesting point
To build	I would like to build on's point because To follow on from's point, I would like to add
	Building on what said
	I respectfully disagree with because
To challenge	I would like to challenge's point on
	I appreciate your point, however,
To question	Can I ask a question to's point?

Next Steps

- Implement the strategies within your own classroom.
- Over the next half term, build in the use of a film clip to discuss the oracy of others. (debating, poetry)
- Use Answer stems and discussion guidelines and have these clearly visible in your class.