

## What is speech and Language?

Speech refers to:	Language refers to: speaking (expressive) and understanding language (receptive)	Communication refers to: how we interact with others (pragmatic/ social)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Saying sounds accurately and in the right places in words;</li><li>○ The sounds people use to communicate words;</li><li>○ Speaking fluently, without hesitating, or prolonging or repeating words or sounds; and</li><li>○ Speaking with expression with a clear voice, using pitch, volume and intonation to support meaning.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Using words to build up sentences, sentences to build up conversations and longer stretches of spoken language; and</li><li>○ Understanding and making sense of what people say.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Using language to represent concepts and thoughts;</li><li>○ Using language in different ways; to question, clarify, describe etc.;</li><li>○ Non-verbal rules of communication; good listening, looking at people knowing how to talk to others and take turns, how to change language use to suit the situation or the person being spoken to;</li><li>○ The ability to take into account other peoples' perspectives, intentions and the wider context; and</li><li>○ Many pupils communicate successfully using non-verbal means such as signing, gestures, communication books or electronic communication equipment.</li></ul>