

Skills Assessment/Planning Guide

DOMAIN: COMMUNICATION SKILLS				
		Skill Level Emerging: E Partial: P Skillful: S	Instructional Priority for this year? Yes/No	Are there any ASOL that might be embedded in this skill? Yes/No If Yes, which ones: (Note: not all skills have embedded academic components)
Early Communication Skills				
1.	Scans/searches immediate environment			
2.	Demonstrates awareness of cause/effect			
3.	Uses switches			
4.	Participates in computer activities			
5.	Demonstrates identifiable communicative intent			
Receptive Communication Skills				
6.	Responds to stimulation			
7.	Stops activity in response to voice/expression			
8.	Distinguishes meaning from voice/expression			
9.	Understands a number of words/signs/symbols			
10.	Follows simple one step verbal/signed directions			
11.	Follows simple unrelated two step directions			

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12.	Understands simple what/where questions			
13.	Understands questions requiring knowledge of object function			
14.	Understands descriptive cues			
15.	Understands opposites			
16.	Understands plurality			
Expressive Communication Skills				
17.	Uses differentiated cries/vocalizations			
18.	Imitates movements/sounds/ signs/words			
19.	Uses eye contact for requesting/responding			
20.	Demonstrates ability for oral planning			
21.	Uses symbolic language: pictures/line drawing/sign language/objects			
22.	Demonstrates wants/needs			
23.	Protests through gestures/vocalizations/signs/symbols			
24.	Requests through gestures/vocalizations/signs/symbols			
25.	Makes choices through gestures/vocalizations/signs/symbols			
26.	Uses questions			
27.	Uses syntax			

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28.	Uses language to facilitate problem solving			
29.	Uses complete sentences			
30.	Retells events/stories in sequence			
31.	Vocalizes with inflections			
32.	Uses understandable speech			
33.	Delivers messages			
34.	Communicates in emergency situations			
35.	Attends to another person			
36.	Makes/responds to verbal/gestural greetings/farewells			
37.	Engages in my turn/your turn motor/verbal responses			
38.	Demonstrates patience with turns/delays			
39.	Listens during conversation w/o interrupting			
40.	Uses facial expression to communicate meaning			
41.	Makes/maintains eye contact during conversation			
42.	Respects personal space			
43.	Uses appropriate language/volume/speed/tone			
44.	Responds appropriately to humor			
45.	Identifies people by name			

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46.	Introduces self/others			
47.	Initiates conversation			
48.	Maintains dialogue			
49.	Asks meaningful questions			
50.	Shares experiences/events			
51.	Relays negative information			
52.	Gives compliments at the appropriate time			
53.	Interrupts a conversation appropriately			