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> English Language Intensive Programme Years 7 - 13 Resource

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Rationale and Description

The English Language Intensive Programme (ELIP) Years 7-13 Resource is designed to support ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) programmes for students in Years 7-13. It is not intended to be a whole programme in itself, but provides guidelines for teachers of ESOL programmes by selecting some language outcomes and language learning focus points at three phases of English language learning.

Foundation and Stage 1 learners are beginner learners of English. They may be literate in their first language/s or may have had little or no previous formal education and may be unable to read or write in their first language/s. They will vary widely in their exposure to English. Some may speak a little English, but this is likely to be limited to basic interpersonal communicative skills in a limited range of contexts. They will need a strong foundation in the fundamental building blocks of written and spoken English.

Stage 2 learners in this age group (Years 7-13) are those who have established a strong foundation for their English language. They will have acquired approximately a 1000-2000 word working vocabulary. They will be gradually consolidating their English skills. At intermediate and junior secondary levels these learners are below their age level cohort but will be moving closer towards using and producing cohort level texts. They will still need considerable intensive support.

Stage 3 learners in Years 7-13 have a good working vocabulary of at least 3000-4000 words but will need continued intensive teaching with explicit focus on grammar at word, phrase and whole text level to enable them to deconstruct and construct texts independently. Learners entering Stage 3 will need carefully scaffolded teaching to work with the texts. The Stage 3 materials in the ELIP Resource are aimed at senior secondary school English language learners who are close to cohort. It is unlikely that learners in Years 7-8 would be using Stage 3 texts, although some texts would be able to be used as additional extension materials with junior secondary English language learners. The Stage 3 texts can be also used as teaching materials for ESOL unit standards.

The Example Texts give teachers some guidance on the complexity of the text appropriate at each level and will enable teachers to select texts for other curriculum areas at a similar level. The ELIP Resource is based on the principles of a spiral curriculum, as the language outcomes are similar at each Stage, but each successive Stage has an increased academic demand.

The ELIP Resource includes

- an overview of the Language Outcomes focussed on in each Stage
- an Orientation to Learning section at each Stage
- Example Texts related to a range of curriculum areas for Oral interaction, Reading, understanding and responding and Writing, at four levels of English, with annotations on text structure, language features and grammar scope to support each Language Outcome
- suggested Teaching Components and Sample Strategies, suggested Themes, Topics and Experiences
- suggested Assessment tasks

None of the sections on Teaching Components, Sample Strategies, Grammar Scope, Suggested Topics/contexts or Assessments is intended to be comprehensive. Teachers should be encouraged to select from and add to all of these sections as far as their own professional knowledge and teaching repertoire allows. However, this Resource should support those teachers who are less confident in their knowledge about language, or uncertain about the level of text to choose and what teaching and learning strategies could be used to meet the Language Outcomes effectively.

The four Stages of the ELIP Resource are based on a language acquisition progression from a beginner level to an advanced level of English oral language and literacy study in an ESOL programme. The Resource is designed for older learners. Most of these learners will already be literate in their first language, but a small number, mainly some students from refugee backgrounds, will need intensive and long term support at Foundation Stage and Stage 1. Many beginners may be using texts and tasks from both these levels simultaneously, while they consolidate their Stage 1 skills.

The Resource does not represent the full range of types of texts that learners will encounter. Many classroom texts contain mixed text types. i.e. a recount may contain a passage of description, or a procedure may include a section of explanation. The Example Texts are intended to be seen as typical in their text structures and language features. Likewise, the Grammar Scope will need to be expanded as teachers focus on particular points of importance or interest which may arise. Many of the grammar points require extensive scaffolded explanation suited to the context. For example, focusing on nouns will be different at each Stage as there are many different aspects of nouns, not all of which are not referred to in the Grammar Scope or Language Features: not all aspects of verb phrases, such as all tenses, are explicitly referred to. Teachers will need to introduce these individual additional grammar points as appropriate, taking into account the readiness of the learners in relation to the broad pathway of additional language acquisition.

Explanation of Stages

Foundation Stage

The Foundation Stage of the programme addresses the learning needs of older students whose readiness for English language acquisition is likely to have been affected by factors such as:

- interrupted or no schooling
- learning disabilities
- low levels of L1 literacy
- trauma
- no prior exposure to English

Teachers of beginner intensive English classes may find Foundation Stage an appropriate additional tool for screening students' entry level English language and literacy skills. Assessing students against outcomes, measured by identifying which of the learning components they have mastered could be helpful in planning beginner class programmes, as students in these classes typically represent a wide range of proficiency and L1 literacy levels.

Early Literacy Focus

Foundation and Stage 1 Outcomes overlap especially in Oral interaction because the Foundation Stage student typically achieves English oracy skills in the same way and at approximately the same pace as their Stage 1 counterparts. Particular focus is given at Foundation Stage to explicit teaching of the initial literacy and oral language skills which are essential for all beginning English language learners. These are specified in the Teaching Components for these stages and must include a systematic phonemic awareness programme which explicitly teaches the names and sounds and the written forms of letters, consonants, consonant clusters, vowels, and vowel blends. They will also need a systematic vocabulary teaching and learning programme which allows them to master the first 500-1000 most frequent English words.

Methodology

Students at Foundation Stage require specific support to achieve the literacy skills which underpin all successful reading and writing, as well as explicit support in developing their oral language in a range of domains. They need to develop an extensive sight vocabulary and to begin to establish clear links between the spoken and written systems of English with a systematic phonemic awareness programme. Foundation Stage outlines the learning of these skills across the key learning areas using student-centred methodologies and a range of appropriate teaching strategies.

It should be noted that not all outcomes from one Stage may be achieved before the student moves from one stage to the next. Moreover, some students may be working at different levels in different modes: they may be working at Stage 1 in Oral Interaction, and Stage 2 in Writing, or Stage 2 in Reading, understanding and responding and Stage 1 in Writing. The choice of the Stage at which a student should be placed must be based on careful diagnostic assessment.

Stage 1

There are some very simple short texts and some longer more complex texts in all strands of Stage 1. This is to allow for joint deconstruction and reconstruction of texts, alongside independent construction. The more complex texts, for example the text on Jean Batten or the text on turtles, may seem very difficult in comparison with the other Stage 1 texts. However, students can be shown how to write only one sentence under each of the text stages, but have seen a model of an expanded text. Much research on the comprehension and text production of English language learners suggests that they learn better when using more difficult texts with lots of support rather than highly simplified texts.

Stage 2

The text length increases in varying degrees for Stage 2, and the complexity of the sentence structures in the Reading and Writing strands also increases. In the Oral interaction at Stage 2, learners have to listen for detail and produce more extended oral texts.

Stage 3

Stage 3 texts are typical of those encountered in mainstream junior secondary levels, and are thus appropriate for most learners in Years 9-10, provided they are carefully scaffolded. At the same time they serve as a bridge into senior secondary texts for learners in Years 11-13.

Effective Literacy Strategies in Years 9-13

It is envisaged that the ELIP Years 7-13 Resource could be used in conjunction with Effective Literacy Strategies in Years 9-13, which is the Ministry of Education's support document for literacy learning across the curriculum in Years 9-13. This document is a rich source of research and guidance in effective teaching and learning, including "learning to learn" strategies and complements the ELIP Year 7-13 Resource.

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Using the Resource: teaching and learning components

It is extremely important to understand that the ELIP Resource is not a collection of texts to be taught in isolation. The texts should be used as part of well-scaffolded units of work. For example, the Stage 2 text about Antarctica for the Language Outcome - Reading, understanding and responding to an information report - should be taught as part of a unit on Antarctica. In several of the Example Text pages, there are references to websites which contain many useful supplementary resources at a range of reading levels. Some of these are additional units of work on related topics. Others are video clips which illustrate concepts or phenomena described in the text, such as wind turbine operation, or hurricane movement, or the Solar System. There are also a number of websites which provide illustrations and information to support the literature referred to in the Example Texts, such as 'Around the World in Eighty Days', 'Whale Rider' and 'The Pearl'. Te Kete Ipurangi, the Ministry of Education's education portal, has materials related to a number of the texts in all strands of the ELIP Resource. There are many other internet sites which support other Example Texts.

Also, these units should integrate the three strands of Oral interaction, Reading, understanding and responding, and Writing. Many of the texts in these three strands can complement each other and be used interchangeably, although the emphasis of the Teaching Components will alter according to the strand. The Orientation to Learning strand assists the development of independent learning.

Orientation to Learning

These outcomes describe the types of behaviours which are required from learners in Years 7-13. Not all learners will require to be taught all the learning behaviours, but those with no prior formal schooling will need to have the Foundation and Stage 1 behaviours explicitly and firmly established in order for them to be able to learn in the classroom. The Stage 2 and 3 Orientation to Learning outcomes lead students towards being independent learners. It is important to supplement these outcomes with a pro-social skills training programme for students who are not used to formal schooling and social interactions. Examples of pro-social skills training modules are Anger management or Finding a friend: pro-social skills micro-modules might include "how to interrupt politely", "how to ask for the teacher's help", "how to disagree politely", "how to give praise to a peer". Many students need explicit help with these interactions.

Oral Interaction

These texts are examples of the types of oral texts that learners are required to comprehend and produce in a variety of contexts, including community contexts. At Foundation and Stage 1, they include example of interactions necessary for communicating at school. The written ELIP Resource Oral Interaction sections will be supplemented by an oral resource which will be sent to schools for use from 2004 onwards. The Oral interaction texts in the folder can also be used as role plays by students.

At Stage 3, the Teaching Components, in addition to a continuing focus on pronunciation, promote fluency and effective delivery of oral texts.

Reading, Understanding and Responding

These outcomes apply to both silent reading and reading aloud, as the Teaching Components indicate. It should be remembered that silent reading is only possible when the text is at the independent reading level of the learner or when it is at instructional level and carefully supported with a variety of guided reading scaffolds, such as an advance organiser, or a set of question prompts. At Foundation and Stage 1, the Teaching Components strongly suggest a phonemic awareness programme, so that sound letter correspondences (including clusters and blends) are firmly established for both individual letters and vowel and consonant blends.

The Teaching Components at Stage 2 include drawing attention to syllabification and chunking text to promote fluent reading. In addition they encourage building understanding of prefixes, suffixes and word stems to increase word knowledge. At Stage 3, the Teaching Components draw attention to knowledge needed to respond to different aspects of text, including literary devices. All texts promote a focus on word, sentence and whole text analysis.

Writing

The Foundation Stage of Writing explicitly demonstrates the fundamental skills and understandings that learners will need to have established in order to begin to manage classroom learning. The Stages 1-3 then model text structures and describe language features of typical classroom tasks. There are likely to be many learners who will enter school at Years 7-13 already competent in these skills. Diagnostic and placement assessments will determine this. The content of texts used in Stages 1-3 as writing models is, like that of the texts for Oral interaction and Reading, drawn from a number of curriculum contexts.

Using the Resource: links with mainstream teachers

It is desirable for the ESOL teacher to familiarise the mainstream teachers with the Resource, explaining the Teaching Components, Sample Strategies, the Text Structures and the Language Features of texts applied to each outcome for each stage for three reasons. Firstly, understanding of some of the language features and text structures of texts in the curriculum areas will assist mainstream teachers to support the language acquisition of English language learners. Secondly, the sample strategies may enhance the ability of mainstream teachers to choose a range of strategies to engage English language learners. Thirdly, mainstream teachers may be able to share in the assessment of these outcomes in mainstream classes, particularly at later stages of language development.

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This sharing should be a gradual process, perhaps facilitated through a series of in-school professional development sessions. There are likely to be other language and learning intentions and outcomes which are part of the ESOL teaching and learning programme. Assessing and reporting on these additional outcomes will be integrated into these teaching and learning programmes. It should be reiterated that any of the tasks in an ESOL programme, including the models presented here should be part of a carefully planned and scaffolded teaching and learning sequence.

It is recommended that teachers choose the Outcomes relating to the same **text type** in each of the domains of Oral interaction, Reading, understanding and responding, and Writing when planning a unit which integrates the three.

Teaching and reporting on outcomes

The rate of progression of students through the different Stages of the ELIP Resource will be determined by a number of well-recognised factors such as level of literacy in first language, experience of continuity or interruption in prior schooling, adjustment to school, and family circumstances. The ELIP Resource is not intended to be seen as a linear programme model. Students may progress at different rates in oral and written language development and may need intensive support in one area more than another.

Formative and cumulative assessment of student progress should occur in a wide variety of curriculum contexts as appropriate, throughout the teaching of the programme. Formal assessment should occur towards the end of each Stage. Suggested tasks for assessment can be found on the (a) pages of the ELIP Resource.

Using the Resource: presenting the examples

When presenting the materials to the students, it is recommended that Example Texts either be copied onto individual sheets, laminated and kept as a class set, or be photocopied as **enlarged** texts onto overhead transparencies. The text size should be no smaller than **size 16 or 18 font**. The language features could be copied onto a separate OHT and overlaid. It is essential to teach the Text Structure of each example, so that learners understand the stages of a typical text. Some texts have illustrations which have been designed to enhance comprehension of the written or spoken text. It is recommended that these illustrations are included in the students' version of the text. This especially applies to sequencing a series of illustrations relating to a procedure or an information report.

Layout of the English Language Intensive Programme Years 7-13 Resource

Teaching Components identified as key points to consider for achieving each outcome are located on the (a) pages. This is not a prescriptive list and teachers may choose to add points where applicable.

Teachers may also find it useful to use *Sample Strategies*, which are also located on the (a) pages, as a quick reference for finding various teaching strategies appropriate to achieving outcomes. We should reiterate that these are indeed samples and there are many other strategies that should be used as well. In addition, teachers should be considering which teaching structures (i.e. whole class, pair work, mixed/same language groups, same/different English language proficiency groups etc) best suit the purpose of each learning task.

Suggested *Themes, Topics and Experiences* which provide suggestions for appropriate contexts for teaching each of the outcomes can also be found on the (a) pages, along with *Assessments*. These lists are not prescriptive, nor is it compulsory for all the suggestions to be used.

The *Grammar Scope* on the (b) pages is provided as a reference resource to support teachers in the preparation of their teaching and learning materials. The grammar points should be linked to each text. It is important to try and explain not just the "what" of a grammar point but also the "why". For example, when teaching the different forms of the present tense, e.g "I am writing", "I write", students should learn not only the form of the tense, but that the present tense is used to indicate that something is happening now - at the present time - or that the present tense is also used to indicate a continuous or timeless state (unchanging). e.g. Elephants are large.

Note: The *Grammar Scope* is primarily for teacher reference, so that teachers can draw the attention of students to the language features typical of different texts. It is not suggested that all the grammar items be explicitly covered with the student at one time, but over a gradual period, with opportunities for repetition and practice. Teacher knowledge about language can be supplemented with information from grammar texts which promote teaching and learning grammar at whole text level, rather than isolated sentences and words which are divorced from curriculum related texts. A select list of helpful grammar texts can be found on ESOL On-line.

The *Example Texts* provide the teacher with a guide to the level of text and a range of typical texts with which the student should be able to work. Some students may be capable of using longer, more complicated texts within each stage, while others may need additional support or simpler texts. The range does not include all the different forms of text which the students will encounter, for example there are no advertisements. However, teachers can add these into the ESOL programme as they link to mainstream classroom texts and tasks. The *Example Texts* are located on the (b) pages or, if applicable, the (c) and (d) pages. These pages also provide a teacher reference to *Text Structure* and *Language Features* for a teaching and learning focus.

Glossary of Classroom Games suggested in Sample Strategies

These games are designed to encourage interactive language learning. They originate from a variety of sources. Many others can be found in language learning texts, such as the Cambridge Language Education series and Oxford English: Resource Books for Teachers series. The purpose of each should be explained to students whenever the games are used, so that they are explicitly attending either to the language feature which is the focus of the game (e.g imperative verb forms in Simon Says), or to the reading and thinking strategies (e.g. *Listen Up!*, which requires students to listen for the most frequent words in a text). Only the less well known and non-commercial games are listed here. Both the Facilitator notes to the Ministry of Education video 'ESOL in the mainstream' and the 'Effective Literacy Strategies in Years 7-13' contain explanations of other resources and strategies.

Listen Up!

Purpose: To develop fluency in recognising word/sound correspondences and to identify main ideas in a text.

Process: Teacher prepares a list of words (about 10 at most) from a short text - about 200-250 words maximum. Students copy down the list (in a column). Teacher reads text a little more slowly than normal reading speed and students tick each word every time they hear it. At the end of the reading, count up the number of ticks for each word and this will help identify the main ideas in a text.

Hot Seat.

Purpose: To develop oral confidence and fluency and to encourage students to process information and practise generating questions.

Process: One student sits in the middle of the class or group and the others ask him/her a question about the topic, or to spell a word, or to give a fact etc. Change after each question.

Advance/Extend (not suitable for Foundation/Stage 1)

Purpose: To develop oral confidence and fluency and to develop vocabulary.

Process: Class works in pairs or small groups. Teacher allocates a topic (e.g. give a description of a dangerous animal, or a recount of a class trip to the Museum, or a retell of a film seen in class) and one student begins speaking. When the teacher calls "Extend", the student has to elaborate on whatever word or idea they were saying at the time. For example, if they are saying "We got on the bus" and they hear "Extend" they must give more details about the bus. After about half a minute, the teacher calls "Advance" and the next student carries on with the story/narrative/description (It must be a shared experience or text, so the next person can talk about the same thing).

'Story, Story Die'

Purpose: To develop oral confidence and fluency and to develop vocabulary. **Process:** A small team (of 3 or 4) comes to the front of the class and one begins to retell the story; teacher points to another person (in random order) after a sentence or two and s/he has to carry on from the last word spoken. If s/he can do this without (major) hesitation, carry on, If not, s/he must "die" by dropping to the ground. Team is out when all players have "died".

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Purpose: to develop oral fluency and confidence.

Process: Teacher selects two topics (e.g. an opinion topic, or a phenomenon which has been discussed in class - How earthquakes happen/How the Solar System works. If it is an individual topic, such as - "The place I would most like to visit and why", only one topic is needed. Students have a short time (about 5 minutes) to think about some ideas, then they have 3 minutes to talk about the topic (as a speech, with no interaction) to a partner. After 3 minutes, the other partner speaks. The students then find a new partner and give the same talk for 2 minutes, but much less hesitation and more fluency is expected. They then change partners for a third time and have only one minute to deliver the same speech. This last talk could be peer assessed against given criteria.

Say-It

These grids can be factual or imaginative.

Purpose: To develop vocabulary, to prepare students for writing, to enable students to speak from another viewpoint, to assist recall and identification of main points. **Process:** Make up a grid of prompts (see examples - based on Stage 2 - Narrative *How Maui* played with Fire and Stage 3 - Explanation Life Cycle of Ants).

Class works in small groups. Teacher numbers members from 1-3 and teacher calls out "A2" (referring to the square number), "Number 1" and Number 1 answers in the first person - e.g. (Ants) "I am a soldier ant. I am larger than the worker ants and my job is to guard the queen and the larvae and make sure that they don't get eaten by predators."

	А	В	С
1	You are Maui. Explain why you put out all the fires in the village.	You are Maui's mother. Say what you thought when you found all the fires were out.	You are Maui's mother's slave. Say why you don't want to go to Mahuika to get more fire.
2	You are Mahuika. Say what you did when Maui asked you for fire the first and second time.	You are Mahuika. Say why you became angry with Maui.	You are Maui. Explain how you escaped from Mahuika and what happened to you.

	A	В	С
1	You are an ant. Explain the phases in your life cycle.	You are a Tapinoma ant. Explain what happens when the African queen ant invades your nest.	You are a scientist. Give three interesting facts about ant larvae.
2	You are a soldier ant. Explain what you look like and what your job is.	You are a queen ant. Explain why all the other ants look after you and how.	You are a worker ant. Explain two of your jobs.

Dictagloss (also known as **Grammar Dictation**, Ruth Wajnryb 1990 Oxford English: Resource Books for Teachers, Oxford University Press)

Purpose: to listen for main ideas, to produce an edited and accurate text

Process: Teacher selects a passage of difficulty level relative to the class proficiency. Stage 1 might be two sentences, Stage 2 could be about three to five sentences. Stage 3 could be six to eight sentences. There should be some warm up activities before dictation and low frequency words or phrases should be written on the board and read to the class (see Wajnryb for examples of warm up activities). Teacher tells class that the purpose is to remember main ideas and recreate a grammatically accurate version of the text, not a word for word version. Teacher tells class to listen only (i.e. not write) the first time the text is read, at only slightly slower than normal pace. The second time the text is read, students individually note down main ideas as sentence fragments. They then pool notes in small groups (or pairs) and reconstruct a complete text from the fragments. They then edit this, takes turns around the group to read a sentence and share their edited version with the rest of the class and the teacher.

3 Level Thinking Guide.

A 3 Level Thinking Guide is a set of statements about a text. Students must decide whether they agree or disagree with each statement, based on evidence from the text or their own knowledge related to the text, or discussion. A version of the process is more fully explained in the *Effective Literacy Strategies in Years 9-13*. The first set of statements is based on literal understanding (reading on the lines); the second is inferential (reading between the lines) and the third is applied or interpretative (reading beyond the lines). Decisions must be justified based on evidence from the text, or from the students' prior knowledge, beliefs and experience.

Summary

The ELIP Years 7-13 Resource provides clear guidelines for teachers about what should be included in an ESOL programme from beginner to advanced stages, which supports learning in a range of curriculum contexts. It recognises that language learning is a recursive process, which means that in order to become proficient users of a new language, learners need repeated opportunities to be exposed to language features and to practise identifying and using them in a variety of increasingly complex texts. At the same time it allows room for teacher preferences and encourages flexibility in programme planning. Effective use of the ELIP Resource will assist teachers to develop coherent programmes to enhance the aquisition of English for all students facing the challenges of learning in a new language.

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	Foundation Stage	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
Orientation to Learning	1. Orientation to Learning	1. Orientation to Learning	1. Orientation to Learning	1. Orientation to Learning
Oral Interaction	 can understand and respond to a simple request can negotiate a simple transaction can express a personal opinion can listen for simple detail can listen, respond to and give a simple recount can listen, respond to and give a simple description can listen and respond to a simple narrative 	 can understand and respond to a simple request can negotiate a simple transaction can express a personal opinion can listen for simple details can listen, respond to and give a simple recount can listen, respond to and give a simple description can listen, respond to and give a simple information report can listen, respond to and retell a simple procedure can listen and respond to a simple narrative 	 can negotiate an oral transaction can listen, respond to and give a recount can listen, respond to and give a description can listen, respond to and give an information report can listen, respond to and outline a procedure can listen and respond to a narrative can listen and respond to a simple explanation 	 can listen, respond to and give an information report can listen and respond to and give an explanation can listen, respond to and give an opinion can listen and respond to a discussion or argument
Reading, Understanding and Responding	 9. can demonstrate appropriate reading behaviours 10. can demonstrate a developing awareness of sound/letter correspondences 11. can read a bank of common sight words (approximately first 500) 12. can read, understand and respond to simple sentences in familiar contexts 13. can read, understand and respond to a very simple recount 14. can read, understand and respond to a very simple description 15. can understand and respond to a very simple narrative (and/or rhyme) 	 can demonstrate appropriate reading behaviours can read, understand and respond to a simple recount can read, understand and respond to a simple description can read, understand and respond to a simple information report can read, understand and respond to a simple procedure can read, understand and respond to a simple procedure can read, understand and respond to a simple procedure can read, understand and respond to a simple narrative (and/or poem) 	 9. can read, understand and respond to a recount 10. can read, understand and respond to a description 11. can read, understand and respond to an information report 12. can read, understand and respond to a procedure 13. can read, understand and respond to a narrative (and/or poem) 14. can read, understand and respond to a simple explanation 15. can read, understand and respond to a simple persuasive text 	 can read, understand and respond to a narrative can read, understand and respond to a review can read, understand and respond to an explanation can read, understand and respond to a persuasive text can read, understand and respond to a discussion can read, understand and respond to a discussion
Writing	 16. can copy text with a degree of accuracy and legibility (including writing on lines, using upper and lower case letters appropriately, spacing words and using capital letters and full stops at the beginning and ends of sentences) 17. can identify and label familiar items (in single words or phrases) 18. can write simple sentences 19. can complete a very simple formatted text 	 17. can copy text with a degree of accuracy and legibility (as for foundation stage) 18. can complete a simple formatted text 19. can write a simple recount 20. can write a simple description 21. can write a simple information report ('simple' defined as three or four one clause or compound sentences, or more with writing support) 	 16. can complete a formatted text 17. can write a recount 18. can write a description 19. can write an information report 20. can write a simple guided procedure 21. can write a simple guided discussion or argument or opinion 22. can write a simple poem 23. can write a simple personal response ('simple' defined as 8-10 sentences, some of which may be complex and/or compound) 	 12. can write a description 13. can write an information report 14. can write a narrative 15. can write a review 16. can write an explanation 17. can write a persuasive text 18. can write a discussion