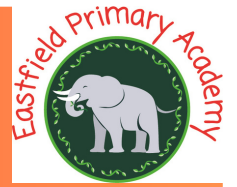


# What is Oracy?



Oracy is your child's ability to **speak clearly, listen carefully, and communicate effectively with others.**

It includes skills like:

- Speaking with confidence
- Listening and responding to others
- Asking questions
- Explaining ideas

Just like reading and maths, these are skills that can be **taught and developed over time.**

## What does this look like in school?

In lessons, your child may:

- Work in pairs to discuss ideas
- Explain their thinking out loud
- Take part in class discussions
- Present their ideas to others
- Practise active listening

Teachers guide children on **how** to speak and listen effectively - not just **what** to say.

## How can you support your child at home?

You can help by:

- Encouraging conversations about their day
- Asking open-ended questions (e.g., "Why do you think that?")
- Listening carefully and showing interest
- Giving them time to explain their ideas

## How does this help your child?

### • Builds confidence

Children feel more comfortable sharing their thoughts and speaking in front of others.

### • Improves learning

Talking about ideas helps children understand and remember more.

### • Develops social skills

They learn to listen, respect others, and work collaboratively.

### • Supports reading and writing

Strong speaking skills lead to better communication in all areas.

### • Prepares them for the futures

Good communication is essential for success in school, work and life.

