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| **Progression of Skills** | **Vocabulary** | **Resources to support** |
| • Laughs and smiles in role.• Pretends to cry in role (e.g. acting as a baby)• Plays in role as themselves in situations that arewithin their experience (e.g. home corner).• Acts out common scenarios.• Talks about and explains their actions in role play(e.g. - pretend I am going to work)• Re-enacts their experiences through a narrative. | * Vocabulary associated with ‘feelings’, such as ‘happy’, ‘sad’, ‘angry’, ‘worried’, ‘frightened’, etc.
* Vocabulary linked to props & resources related to a theme – homes, rooms, shops, medical services, transport & travel, animals, etc.
* Vocabulary linked to rhymes & stories.
* Language associated with different roles – family members, different jobs, taking messages, using the telephone.
* Giving instructions and directions.
* Language associated with different situations – sorting out problems, enquiring, complaining, etc.
* ‘pretend’, ‘character’, ‘role’, ‘act’

**Adult interaction**What is happening today? What are your plans?Who is here today?How can we set up…? How do I…?How is that making you feel?What would you like me to do? Who would you like me to be? | Selection of play foodHouse hold objects – eg brush and dustpan, pots and pans, bowls, plates etcRole play outfits - eg police outfit, nurse outfit etc. | Accessible storage Clearly labelled resources (photo and word) Photographs/pictures of multi-cultural activitiesPhotographs of children participating in routines and activities Seasonal/festival resourcesDisplay key vocabularyMark-making tools/notepadsBooks |
| • Expresses some emotions through role play.• Shows an awareness of the feelings of other ‘characters’ feelings in joint role play. Chooses different outfits to become different characters.• Uses props to develop their chosen characterrole.• Acts out both familiar and imaginative scenarios.• Uses some story language in their play - familiar lines from stories, familiar story themes.• Describes what they are doing in their role play.• Articulates thoughts and feelings through narrative. | Selection of play foodHousehold objectsRole play outfitsBegin to introduce more open ended resources Babies and baby clothes |
| • Expresses a range of emotions through role play.• Responds to scenarios in role play with empathy. • Plays as different roles.• Uses different voices and expressions.• Takes on a range of roles confidently.• Creates different outfits to become different characters• Uses story language and story features to create a narrative of their own. • Creates shared narratives.• Able to intertwine their own experiences with the experiences of others. | Open ended materials/scarves/cloaks/hats to create own outfitsCalendarClockPhone book |