

EYFS Skills Progression

Design and Technology

30-50 months	Physical Development	Moving & Handling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To use one-handed tools and equipment, e.g. makes snips in paper with child scissors.
		Health & Self-Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To understand that equipment and tools have to be used safely.
	Understanding the World	Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To show an interest in technological toys with knobs or pulleys, or real objects. To show skill in making toys work by pressing parts or lifting flaps to achieve effects, such as sound, movements or new images.
	Expressive Arts & Design	Exploring & Using Media & Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To enjoy joining in with dancing and ring games. To begin to move rhythmically. To imitate movement in response to music. To tap out simple repeated rhythms.
		Being Imaginative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To develop preferences for forms of expression. To use movement to express feelings. To create movement in response to music. To capture experiences and responses with a range of media, such as music, dance and paint and other materials or words.
40-60 months	Physical Development	Moving & Handling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To use simple tools to effect changes to materials. To handle tools, objects, construction and malleable materials safely and with increasing control.
		Health & Self-Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To show understanding of the need for safety when tackling new challenges and consider and manage some risks. To show understanding of how to transport and store equipment safely. To practise some appropriate safety measures without direct supervision.

	Expressive Arts & Design	Exploring & Using Media & Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To explore what happens when they mix colours. • To experiment to create different textures. • To understand that different media can be combined to create new effects. • To manipulate materials to achieve a planned effect. • To construct with a purpose in mind, using a variety of resources. • To use simple tools and techniques competently and appropriately. • To select appropriate resources and adapt work where necessary. • To select tools and techniques needed to shape, assemble and join materials they are using.
		Being Imaginative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To create simple representations of events, people and objects. • To choose particular colours to use for a purpose.
ELG	Physical Development	Moving & Handling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To handle equipment and tools effectively, including pencils for writing.
	Expressive Arts & Design	Exploring & Using Media & Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.
		Being Imaginative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To use what they have learnt about media and materials in original ways, thinking about uses and purposes. They represent their own ideas, thoughts and feelings through design and technology, art, music, dance, role play and stories.