

Great Oracy Exhibition 2025

Oracy Assembly – Live!

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Let's talk, discuss, debate and listen

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30 of our children 😊

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Our normal!

- Two year groups (120 children)
- Mix of older and younger children
- Rectangular formation
- All adults attending



What happens next...

- Standard powerpoint, expectations are clear
- Children to turn to face each other
- Emphasis on physical strand of how we welcome others into the chat (we practise this!)
- Reminder that every voice matters so all children are welcome to speak.



A final couple of words before we get going.

- Children stand to speak.
- No hands up, every voice matters
- Talk detectives in place to praise and identify strands of oracy
- Adults expected to be part of the assembly and model.



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Discussion Guidelines



We give proof of listening



We respect others' ideas

We build, challenge, summarise, clarify,
and probe each other's ideas



We are prepared to change our mind

We invite others into our discussion



We try to reach a shared agreement



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Reminders

Speak so others can hear you

Every voice matters

Disagree agreeably

Stand up to speak

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Our focus today...



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