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Writing Early Level

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<p>Reading</p>	<p><i>I explore sounds, letters and words, discovering how they work together, and I can use what I learn to help me as I read and write.</i></p> <p>ENG 0-12a / LIT 0-13a / LIT 0-21a</p> <p><i>I use signs, books or other texts to find useful or interesting information and I use this to plan, make choices or learn new things.</i></p> <p>LIT 0-14a ENG 0-17a</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uses own words to make up stories or recount events. • Uses new vocabulary and phrases in different contexts, for example, when expressing ideas and feelings or discussing a text. • Communicates in a range of real and imaginary contexts. • Uses a range of stimuli to develop ideas for writing, for example, talk, pictures, objects, own experiences and/or role play. • Writes to convey ideas, messages and information in different ways.
<p>Writing</p>	<p><i>I enjoy exploring and playing with the patterns and sounds of language and can use what I learn.</i> LIT 0-01a / LIT 0-11a / LIT 0-20a</p> <p><i>I explore sounds, letters and words, discovering how they work together, and I can use what I learn to help me as I read or write.</i> ENG 0-12a / LIT 0-13a / LIT 0-21a</p> <p><i>Within real and imaginary situations, I share experiences and feelings, ideas and information in a way that communicates my message.</i></p> <p>LIT 0-26a</p>	

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