# English K–2 Syllabus video

## Transcript

The English syllabus for K–2 clearly prioritises essential knowledge and skills.

The syllabus has been developed using evidence-based research to develop essential knowledge and skills for all learners.

Foundational skills set students up for a lifetime of learning.

They unlock academic potential and improve education outcomes.

Simple, concise language clearly identifies key concepts, knowledge and skills.

Content groups assist teachers to identify the key knowledge and skills for each focus area.

Content is inclusive of every student in NSW, including Aboriginal students, EAL/D students, gifted and talented students, and students with disability.

There is a clear progression from Early Stage 1 to Stage 1 outcomes and content.

Access content points support students with significant intellectual disability.

The syllabus is provided on a purpose-built website with quick, easy navigation and access to outcomes and content.

Syllabus components are easily viewed, downloaded and printed.

The website includes teaching advice to support all learners.

There are clear expectations for the keys to reading, including phonics, oral language and fluency.

The syllabus focuses on learning to write a sentence as an essential foundation of writing.

The syllabus recognises the importance of handwriting, focusing on letter formation and the development of fine and visual motor skills.

Oral language competence provides a solid foundation for communication.

The Oral language and communication outcomes and content include complementary content which is inclusive of students whose primary communication is not through speaking and listening.

Complementary content has been provided to support students who are unable to produce handwriting.

Literature is highlighted as essential in the development of core knowledge for subject English.

Engaging with literature in all its forms can develop an understanding, appreciation and love of reading.

Online, accredited professional development supports the syllabus and can be accessed by teachers at any time.

The English syllabus lays the groundwork for the development of key skills and knowledge to enable learning for now and into the future.

Implementation begins in schools in 2022 and the syllabuses will be taught in all NSW primary schools from 2023.

You can view the syllabus here at [www.curriculum.nsw.edu.au](https://curriculum.nsw.edu.au/)

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