



PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND HEALTH EDUCATION SYMBOLS AND SIGNS
WORDLIST

Family relationships

Baby (CV)
Mother (CV)
Father (CV)
Parents
Sister (2) (child) (CV)
Sister (3) (grown-up) (symbols only)
Brother (2) (child) (CV)
Brother (3) (grown-up) (symbols only)
Daughter (1) (child)
Daughter (2) (grown-up)
Son (1) (child)
Son (2) (grown-up)
Grandmother
Grandfather
Granddaughter (1) (child)
Granddaughter (2) (grown-up)
Grandson (1) (child)
Grandson (2) (grown-up)
Aunt
Uncle
Cousin (signs only)
Cousin (1) (female child) (symbols only)
Cousin (2) (female grown-up) (symbols only)
Cousin (3) (male child) (symbols only)
Cousin (4) (male grown-up) (symbols only)
Niece (1) (child)
Niece (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
Nephew (1) (child)
Nephew (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)

Family relationships continued

In-Law (signs only)
Mother-in-law
Father-in-law
Sister-in-law
Brother-in-law
Daughter-in-law
Son-in-law
Step (signs only)
Stepmother
Stepfather
Stepsister (1) (child)
Stepsister (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
Stepbrother (1) (child)
Stepbrother (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
Stepdaughter (1) (child)
Stepdaughter (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
Stepson (1) (child)
Stepson (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
Foster (signs only)
Foster-mother
Foster-father
Foster-sister (1) (child)
Foster-sister (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
Foster-brother (1) (child)
Foster-brother (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
Foster-daughter (1) (child)
Foster-daughter (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
Foster-son (1) (child)

Family relationships continued
 Foster-son (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
 Guardian
 Adopted Mother
 Adopted Father
 Adopted Sister (1) (child)
 Adopted Sister (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
 Adopted Brother (1) (child)
 Adopted Brother (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
 Adopted Daughter (1) (child)
 Adopted Daughter (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
 Adopted Son (1) (child)
 Adopted Son (2) (grown-up) (symbols only)
 Adopted
 Family
 Single-parent Family (1)
 Single-parent Family (2)
 Single-parent Family (3) (symbols only)
 Partner (generic)
 Partners (generic) (symbols only)
 Partner (female heterosexual) (symbols only)
 Partner (male heterosexual) (symbols only)
 Partners (heterosexual) (symbols only)
 Partner (lesbian) (symbols only)
 Partners (lesbian) (symbols only)
 Partner (gay man) (symbols only)
 Partners (gay men) (symbols only)
 Wife
 Husband
 Engaged (signs only)
 Fiancée
 Fiancé
 Married (1)
 Married (2) (symbols only)

Family relationships continued
 Living Together/ To Cohabit/ To Live With
 Separated/ To Be Separated/ To Break Up
 Divorced
 Single/ Unmarried

Other Relationships
 Friend (1)/ Friendship (CV)
 Friend (2) (symbols only)
 Girl Friend (platonic) (symbols only)
 Boy Friend (platonic) (symbols only)
 Boyfriend/ Girlfriend (symbols only)
 Girlfriend
 Boyfriend
 Lover
 Lover (female heterosexual) (symbols only)
 Lover (male heterosexual) (symbols only)
 Lover (lesbian) (symbols only)
 Lover (gay man) (symbols only)
 Lovers (symbols only)
 Lovers (heterosexual) (symbols only)
 Lovers (lesbian) (symbols only)
 Lovers (gay Men) (symbols only)
 Relationship
 Long-term Relationship
 Steady Relationship
 Appropriate Adult
 Carer
 Keyworker
 Neighbour
 Stranger
 Visitor
 House-mother
 House-father
 House-parent
 House-parent(s) (2) (signs only)

Professions
 Advocate

Professions continued

Care Manager
Caretaker
Chemist/ Pharmacist
Children's Guardian
Cleaner
Dentist
Doctor (CV)
Family Doctor
Hospital Doctor
Firefighter (CV)
Intermediary (professional/ legal)
Interpreter (1)
Interpreter (2) (symbols only)
Judge, a (1)
Judge, a (2) (symbols only)
Jury
Lawyer/ Solicitor
Magistrate
Magistrates (symbols only)
Milkperson (CV)
Nurse (CV)
Occupational Therapist
Occupational Therapist (2) (signs only)
Physiotherapist
Physiotherapist (2) (signs only)
Police Officer (CV)
Policeman (1) (CV)
Policeman (2) (CV) (symbols only)
Policewoman (CV)
Post Person (CV)
Psychologist
Social Worker
Speech and Language Therapist (1)
Speech and Language Therapist (2)
Speech and Language Therapist (3)
(symbols only)
Taxi Driver

Stages of Life

Age
How Old? (CV)
Old (CV)

Stages of Life continued

Older
Oldest
Young
Younger
Youngest
To Grow Up/ Grown Up
Infancy/ Babyhood
Childhood
Adolescence
Adulthood
Old Age/ The Elderly
Birth (to give birth)
Dead (CV)
Dead (2) (CV) (signs only)
Child (1)
Child (2) (symbols only)
Child/ Girl (CV)
Child/ Boy (CV)
Children (CV)
Adolescent/ Youth/ Teenager
Adolescent/ Youth (female)/
Teenager (symbols only)
Adolescent/ Youth (male)/ Teenager
(symbols only)
Adolescents/ Youths/ Teenagers
(symbols only)
Adult/ Grown-up
Adult (female)/ Woman (CV)
Adult (male)/ Man (CV)
Adults (symbols only)
Elderly (1)
Elderly (2) (symbols only)
Elderly (female) (symbols only)
Elderly (male) (symbols only)
Engagement/ Engaged (1)
(symbols only)
Engaged (2) (symbols only)
Puberty (female)
Puberty (male)
Menopause (female)
Menopause (male) (symbols only)
Menopause (2) (signs only)

Body Parts

Body
Body Parts (1)
Body Parts (2) (symbols only)
Head
Face
Ear
Ears (symbols only)
Eye
Eyes (symbols only)
Lip (top) (symbols only)
Lip (bottom) (symbols only)
Lips
Mouth
Tongue
Gum
Nose
Hair (1)
Hair (2) (symbols only)
Hair (3) (symbols only)
Hair (4) (symbols only)
Hair (5) (symbols only)
Hair (6)/ Bald (no hair)
Hair (7) (symbols only)
Neck
Throat
Chest
Stomach/ Tummy (1)
Stomach/ Tummy (2) (symbols only)
Hips (signs only)
Hips (female) (symbols only)
Hips (male) (symbols only)
Bottom/ Buttocks
Arm
Armpit
Fingers
Index Finger
Middle Finger
Third Finger
Little Finger
Thumb
Hand
Hands (symbols only)
Fist

Body Parts continued

Leg
Legs (symbols only)
Knee
Knees (symbols only)
Foot
Feet (symbols only)

Disability, Accident and Illness

Accident/ Mistake (CV)
Acne/ Spots
Alcoholic, an
Bite, an
Broken Bone
Broken Bone (arm) (symbols only)
Broken Bone (leg) (symbols only)
Bruise, a
Bruise, a (2) (signs only)
Burn, a
To Have A Cold
To Cough
Cut, a
Drugs (addictive or non-addictive)
(symbols only)
Drugs (1) (addictive) (signs only)
Drugs (2) (non-addictive) (CV)
(signs only)
Drug Addict
Emergency (1)
Emergency (2) (social sight)
(symbols only)
Epilepsy
Epileptic Fit
First Aid
Graze, a
Infection (1)
Infection (2)
Itch, an
To Itch
Lump, a
Nausea
Patient (1), a
Patient (2), a (symbols only)

Disability, Accident and Illness
continued

Scratch, a
To Scratch (2)
Sick/ Vomit (CV)
To Sneeze
To Have a Stitch
Sore, a
Sting, a
Swelling, a

Intervention and Aids to Living

Blood (2)/ Blood Sample/ To Take
Blood
Blood (3) (symbols only)
Cream
Doctor's Examination
Incontinence Pad
Injection (CV)
Medicine (CV)
Operation (CV)
Plaster, a
Scan, a
Tablet (CV)
Urine Sample/ Urine (2)
X-Ray (1)
X-Ray (2)/ X-Ray Plate (symbols
only)

Behaviour (general, physical,
emotional)

To Agree
To Allow/ To Let/ To Permit
Alone
To Alter/ To Change/ To Become
Angry (CV)
Anxious
To Apologise
To Argue/ To Quarrel (CV)
Ashamed
To Attract Someone/ Something
Attraction/ Fancy
To Behave
Behaviour

Behaviour (general, physical,
emotional) continued

To Believe
Beside/ Near (CV)
Better
Best
To Bite
Bold/ Brave/ Courage
To Change One's Mind
Confident
Confidential/ Private (1) (social sight)
(symbols only)
Confused
Comfortable
To Complain
To Concentrate
To Control Oneself/ Self Control
Correct/ Proper/ Right (1)
To Cuddle (1)
To Cuddle (2) (symbols only)
To Cuddle (3) (symbols only)
Curious
Dangerous
To Date/ To Go Out With
To Decide
Decision
To Desire
Dizzy
Embarrassed (1)/ To Blush
Embarrassed (2) (symbols only)
To Enjoy
To Be Excited
To Explain
To Feel (emotion)
To Feel/ To Touch
To Flirt
To Force/ To Make Someone Do
Something
To Forgive
Frightened (CV)
Fun
To Gesture
Guilty
To Happen

Behaviour (general, physical, emotional) continued

Happy (CV)
To Hate
To Hold Your Breath
Honest
To Hope/ To Wish
Hurt Feelings
Important
Indecent
Independent
Joke
To Kiss (1)
To Kiss (2)
To Laugh
Lazy
To Lick
To Lie/ To Fib
To Lie Down
To Lie Down (2) (signs only)
To Like (CV)
To Live/ To Dwell
To Look After/ To Care For
To Love (CV)
Mood
Naked/ Nude/ Bare
Nasty/ Unpleasant
Nervous
Nightmare
Normal
Pain (CV)
Peculiar/ Bizarre/ Odd
Perhaps/ Maybe
Don't Pick Nose
Powerful/ Strong (CV)
Private (2)
To Pretend
Public (1) (social sight) (symbols only)
Public (2)
Really/ True/ Certain (CV)
Relaxation
Reward
To Rub

Behaviour (general, physical, emotional) continued

Rude (symbols only)
Rude Gesture
Sad/ Miserable (CV)
Secret
Self Esteem
Sensible
To Share
To Be Shocked
To Shout
Shy
Special
To Stay
To Stroke
Stupid
Suspicious
Tired/ Weary
To Trust
Trust (symbols only)
Worried (CV)
Worse
Worst
Wrong
To be Upset

Bodily Functions and Secretions

Blood (1)
To Bleed
To Break Wind (1)/ To Fart/
Flatulence
To Break Wind (2)/ To Fart/
Flatulence (symbols only)
To Burp/ To Belch
To Cry
Constipation/ Constipated (1)
Constipated (2)
To Defecate/ Faeces/ Bowel
Movement (1)
To Defecate/ Faeces/ Bowel
Movement (2) (symbols only)
Diarrhoea (1)
Diarrhoea (2) (symbols only)
To Drip/ Runny Nose

Bodily Functions and Secretions
continued

Faeces
Perspiration/ To Sweat/ To Perspire
Saliva
To Spit
A Smell
To Smell
To Suck
To Swallow
Taste, The
To Taste
Tears
To Go to the Toilet/ To Urinate (1)
(general)
Toilet (1)/ To Go to the toilet
(general) (CV) (signs only)
Toilet (2) (signs only)
Urine (1)
To Urinate (2) (general) (symbols
only)
To Urinate (3) (general) (symbols
only)
To Urinate (4) (female)
To Urinate (5) (male)
To Urinate (6) (male) (symbols only)
To Urinate (7) (male) (symbols only)
Wet/ Moist

Personal Hygiene and Appearance

Aftershave
Anti-perspirant (1) (spray)
Anti-perspirant (2) (stick)
Anti-perspirant (3) (roll-on)
Body Odour/ BO/ To Smell
Unpleasant
Cleanliness
Clean (CV)
Dirty (CV)
Eye Shadow
Fit/ Healthy
Flannel
To Flush Toilet (1)
To Flush Toilet (2)

Personal Hygiene and Appearance
continued

To Flush Toilet (3)
To Flush Toilet (4) (symbols only)
To Flush Toilet (5) (symbols only)
Hairdryer
Handsome
Lipstick
Make-up
Nail Brush
Nail Varnish
Perfume
Powder/ Talc
Pretty
Sponge (1)
Shampoo
To Shampoo Hair
Suntan Lotion (1)
Suntan Lotion (2) (symbols only)
Tissue
Toilet Paper
Toothbrush
Toothpaste
To Wipe (signs only)
To Wipe (1) (bottom) (symbols only)
To Wipe (2) (oneself) (symbols only)
To Wipe (3) (nose) (symbols only)

Clothing

Anorak/ Kagool
Apron
Apron (2) (signs only)
Bikini
Belt (1)
Belt (2) (symbols only)
Blouse
Bra
Braces
Button (1)
Button (2) (symbols only)
To Button Up
Cardigan
Clothes (CV)

Clothing continued

Clothes (female) (CV) (symbols only)
Clothes (male) (CV) (symbols only)
Coat
Dress, a
To Dress (CV)
Dress Up, (to play)
Dressing Gown
Dungarees
To Fasten Shoe
Gloves (symbols only)
Glove
Hat (1)
Hat (2)
Hat (3)
Hat (4) (symbols only)
Jacket
Jeans
Jumper/ Sweater
Knickers
Leggings
Nightdress
Nappy (disposable)
Nappy (towelling)
Nappy (dirty)
Nappy (wet)
Pants
Pyjamas
Sandal
Sandals (symbols only)
Sandal (platform)
Sandals (platform) (symbols only)
Sandal (with heel)
Sandals (with heels) (symbols only)
Scarf
Shirt
Shoe (1)
Shoes (1) (symbols only)
Shoe (2) (with heels)
Shoes (2) (with heels) (symbols only)
Shoe (3) (symbols only)
Shoes (3) (symbols only)
Shoe (slip-on)

Clothing continued

Shoes (slip on) (symbols only)
Shorts
Skirt
Slipper (signs only)
Slipper (ladies) (symbols only)
Slippers (ladies) (symbols only)
Slipper (mens) (symbols only)
Slippers (mens) (symbols only)
Sock
Socks (symbols only)
Stockings
Sweatshirt (symbols only)
Swimming Shorts
Swimsuit (1)
Swimsuit (2) (symbols only)
Tie, a
Tights
Tracksuit
Trousers
T-Shirt
To Tie Shoelaces
To Undress (CV)
Vest
To Unbutton
To Unzip
To Zip Up
Wellington Boot
Wellington Boots (symbols only)

Places

Bathroom (CV)
Bedroom (CV)
Bedroom (2) (symbols only)
Classroom (1)
Classroom (2)/ Lecture Room
Club/ Disco (CV)
Court (1) (building)
Court (2) (building) (symbols only)
Court (3)/ Court Room
Court (4)/ Court Room (symbols only)
Court (5)/ Magistrates Court (building)

Places continued

Court (6)/ Magistrates Court
(building) (symbols only)
Court (7)/ Magistrates Court Room
Court (8)/ Magistrates Court Room
(symbols only)
Tribunal Court Room
Day Centre (1)
Day Centre (2) (symbols only)
Family Planning Clinic
Health Centre (1)
Health Centre (2) (symbols only)
Hospital (1)
Hospital (2) (symbols only)
Hostel
Leisure Centre (1)
Leisure Centre (2) (symbols only)
Office (building)
Office (room)
Office (block)
Park, a
Playground
Public Toilets
Secure Accommodation (1)
Secure Accommodation (2)
(symbols only)

Information Technology

Computer (CV)
Computer (alternative version)
(signs only)
DVD (1)
DVD (2)
DVD (3)
Email, an
To Email
Fax Machine
To Fax
Internet
Laptop
Mobile Phone
MP Player (1)
MP Player (2)/ iPod
Printer (computer)

Information Technology continued

Printer (2) (symbols only)
To Print (computer)
To Send (internet)
To Text
Webcam
Website

Bullying and Abuse

Abuser
To Abuse (1)
To Abuse (2) (symbols only)
Aggressive
To be Bossy
Bully, a
To Bully (1)
To bully (2) (symbols only)
To Call Someone Names
Depressed
To Hide (1) (object)
To Hide (2) (person) (symbols only)
To Hit/ To Punch
To Hit (with object)
To Hit (with hand/ to smack)
To Hurt/ Pain
Physical Abuse
To Pinch
To Poke/ Prod
To Pull Hair (1)
To Pull Hair (2) (symbols only)
To Pull Hair (3) (symbols only)
To Push Down
To Push Over (1)
To Push Over (2) (symbols only)
To Scratch (1) (someone/ something)
To Shake (person)
To Strangle (1)
To Strangle (2) (symbols only)
To Steal
To Struggle
Suicide
To Suffer
To Suffocate
To Swear

Bullying and Abuse continued

To Tease (1)
To Tease (2) (symbols only)
To Tie Up (1)/ Tied Up
To Tie Up (2)/ Tied Up (symbols only)
Touch (good)
Touch (bad)
To Threaten (1)/ To Frighten
To Threaten (2) (with a knife)/ To
Frighten (symbols only)
To Threaten (3) (with a gun)/ To
Frighten (symbols only)
Verbal Abuse
To Warn/ To Tell Off

Money

To Buy (CV)
Expensive (CV)
Money (CV)
To Save (CV)
Wages (CV)

Court

Accuse, to
Defendant (1), the/ Accused (1), the
Defendant (2), the/ Accused (2), the
Evidence
To Give Evidence
Hearing/ Court Hearing
Hearing/ Magistrates Court Hearing
Illegal
Legal
Legal (2) (signs only)
Legal System
Offence
To Offend
Offender (1)
Offender (2) (symbols only)
Order/ Court Order
Order/ Court Summons

Court continued

Order/ Care Order
Witness (1)
Witness (2)
Vulnerable Witness (1)
Vulnerable Witness (2)
Young Witnesses
Witness Service
Witness Service Volunteer

Other

Appointment
Care Plan
Class of Children
Community (1) (people)
Community (2) (people) (specific)
(symbols only)
Community (3) (place) (symbols
only)
Group (1) (signs only)
Group of People
Local Authority
Need, a
Needs (symbols only)
To Need
Person
People (CV)
Protection/ To Keep Safe
PSHE (personal, social and health
education)
PSHE (2) (personal, social and health
education) (signs only)
Question
To Respect
Right, a/ Rights
Rules
Trouble/ Matter (CV)
Weekend
Last Weekend

Abbreviation Key:

CV Core Vocabulary

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