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	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Word Reading								
Phonics and Decoding	To enjoy rhyming and rhythmic activities. To show an awareness of rhyme and alliteration. To recognise rhythm in spoken words. To continue a rhyming string. To hear and say the initial sound in words. To segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together and know which letter represents some of them.	To apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words. To blend sounds in unfamiliar words using the GPCs that they have been taught. To respond speedily, giving the correct sound to graphemes for all of the 40+ phonemes. To read words containing taught GPCs. To read words containing -s, -es, -ing, -ed and -est endings.	To continue to apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words until automatic decoding has become embedded and reading is fluent. To read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain the graphemes taught so far, especially recognising alternative sounds for graphemes. To accurately read most words of two or more syllables.	To use their phonic knowledge to decode quickly and accurately (may still need support to read longer unknown words). To apply their growing knowledge of root words and prefixes, including in-, im-, il-, ir-, dis-, mis-, un-, re-, sub-, inter-, super-, anti- and auto- to begin to read aloud.* To apply their growing knowledge of root words and	To read most words fluently and attempt to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill. To apply their knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes/word endings to read aloud fluently.*	To read most words fluently and attempt to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill, recognising their meaning through contextual cues. To apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes/ word endings, including -sion, -tion, -cial, -tial, -ant/-ance/- ancy, -ent/- ence/-ency, - able/-ably and - ible/ibly, to read aloud fluently.*	To read fluently with full knowledge of all Y5/ Y6 exception words, root words, prefixes, suffixes/word endings* and to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill, recognising their meaning through contextual cues.	





	To link sounds to letters, naming and sounding the letters of the alphabet. Reception To use phonic knowledge to decode regular words and read them aloud accurately.	To read words with contractions, e.g. I'm, I'll and we'll.	To read most words containing common suffixes.*	suffixes/word endings, including-ation, -ly, -ous, -ture, - sure, -sion, -tion, -ssion and -cian, to begin to read aloud.*			
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Common Exception Words	Reception To read some common irregular words.	To read Y1 common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in words.	To read most Y1 and Y2 common exception words*, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word.	To begin to read Y3/Y4 exception words.*	To read all Y3/Y4 exception words*, discussing the unusual correspondences between spelling and these occur in the word.	To being to read most Y5/ Y6 exception words, discussing unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word.	To read most/all Y5/ Y6 exception words, discussing unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word.
	Nursery To show interest in illustrations / print in books /	To accurately read texts that are consistent with their	To read aloud books (closely matched to their improving phonic	At this stage, teaching comprehension skills should be taking precedence over teaching word reading and fluency specifically. Any focus on word reading should support the development of vocabulary.			









	simple sentences.						
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Understanding and checking inaccuracies	Nursery To know that print carries meaning and, in English, is read from left to right and top to bottom. To understand humour, e.g. nonsense rhymes, jokes	To check that a text makes sense to them as they read and to self-correct.	To show understanding by drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher. To check that the text makes sense to them as they read and to correct inaccurate reading.	To demonstrate clear understanding by drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher. To check that the text makes sense to them as they read and to correct inaccurate reading.	To demonstrate clear understanding by drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher. To check that the text makes sense to them as they read and to correct inaccurate reading.	To begin to demonstrate wide understanding by drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher. To check that the text makes sense to them as they read and to correct inaccurate reading.	To demonstrate wide understanding by drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher. To check that the text makes sense to them as they read and to correct inaccurate reading.
	To listen to stories with increasing attention and recall. To anticipate key	To listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry at a level beyond that at which they can	To participate in discussion about books, poems and other works that are read to them (at a level beyond at which they can	To recognise, listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non- fiction and	To discuss and compare texts from a wide variety of genres and writers.	To read a wide range of genres, identifying the characteristics of text types (such as the use of the first person in	To read for pleasure, discussing, comparing and evaluating in depth across a wide range of





	events and	read	read	reference	To read for a	writing diaries	genres, including
	phrases in	independently.	independently)	books or	range of	and	myths, legends,
	rhymes and	To link what they	and those that	textbooks.	purposes.	autobiographies)	traditional
	stories.	To link what they have read or	they can read for	Tallia	To identify	and differences	stories, modern
	Ta basin ta ba	have read to	themselves,	To use	themes and	between text	fiction, fiction
	To begin to be aware of the	them to their	explaining their	appropriate	conventions in a	types.	from our literary
			understanding and	terminology when	wide range of		heritage and
	way stories are structured.	own experiences.	expressing their		books.	To participate	books from other
Comparing,	structureu.	To retell familiar	views.	discussing		in discussions	cultures and
contrasting	To describe main	stories in	To become	texts (plot, character,	To refer to	about books	traditions.
and	story settings,	increasing detail.	increasingly	setting).	authorial style,	that are read	
commenting	events and	Ta tata ta cetala	familiar with and	setting).	overall themes	to them and	To recognise
	principal	To join in with	to retell a wide		(e.g. triumph of	those they can	more complex
	characters.	discussions about	range of stories,		good over evil)	read for	themes in what
		a text, taking	fairy stories and		and features	themselves,	they read (such
		turns and	traditional tales.		(e.g. greeting in	building on	as loss or
	To enjoy an	listening to what			letters, a diary	their own and	heroism).
	increasing range	others say.	To discuss the		written in the	others' ideas	To ovaloin and
	of books.	To discuss the	sequence of		first person or the use of	and challenging views	To explain and discuss their
		significance of	events in books				
	To follow a	titles and events.	and how items of		presentational devices such as	courteously.	understanding of
	story without		information are		numbering and	To identify main	what they have read, including
	pictures or		related.		headings).	ideas drawn from	through formal
	props.		To recognise		ricadings).	more than one	presentations
	Reception		simple recurring		To identify how	paragraph and to	and debates,
	·		literarylanguage in		language,	summarise these.	maintaining a
	To listen to		stories and poetry.		structure and	Jannarije triese.	focus on the topic
	stories,		To ask and answer		presentation	To recommend	and using notes
	accurately		questions about a		contribute to	texts to peers	where necessary.
	anticipating key		text.		meaning.	based on personal	
	events and					choice.	To listen to
	respond to		To make links				





what they	hear	between the text	To identify main	guidance and
with releva		they are reading	ideas drawn	feedback on the
comments		and other texts they	from more than	quality of their
questions		have read (in texts	one paragraph	explanations and
actions.		that they can read	and summarise	contributions to
		independently).	these.	discussions and
To demons	strate	macpenaentry).		to make
understan	_			improvements
when talki	_			when
with other				participating in
about wha	- I			discussions.
have read.				
				To draw out key
				information and
				to summarise the
				main ideas in a
				text.
				To distinguish
				independently
				between
				statements of
				fact and opinion,
				providing
				reasoned
				justifications for
				their views.
				To compare
				characters,
				settings and
				 themes within a





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Words in context and authorial choice	Nursery To build up vocabulary that reflects the breadth of their experiences. To extend vocabulary, especially by grouping and naming, exploring the meaning and sounds of new words. Reception To use vocabulary and forms of speech that are increasingly influenced by their experiences of books.	To discuss word meaning and link new meanings to those already known.	To discuss and clarify the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary. To discuss their favourite words and phrases.	To check that the text makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context. To discuss authors' choice of words and phrases for effect.	Discuss vocabulary used to capture readers' interest and imagination.	To discuss vocabulary used by the author to create effect including figurative language. To evaluate the use of authors' language and explain how it has created an impact on the reader.	To analyse and evaluate the use of language, including figurative language and how it is used for effect, using technical terminology such as metaphor, simile, analogy, imagery, style and effect.
	Nursery To suggest how a	To begin to make simple	To make inferences on the	To ask and answer	To draw inferences from	To draw inferences from	To consider different





Inference and Prediction	story might end. To begin to understand 'why' and 'how' questions. Reception To answer 'how' and 'why' questions about their experiences and in response to stories or events.	inferences. To predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far.	basis of what is being said and done. To predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far in a text.	questions appropriately, including some simple inference questions based on characters' feelings, thoughts and motives. To justify predictions using evidence from the text.	characters' feelings, thoughts and motives that justifies their actions, supporting their views with evidence from the text. To justify predictions from details stated and implied.	characters' feelings, thoughts and motives. To make predictions based on details stated and implied, justifying them in detail with evidence from the text.	accounts of the same event and to discuss viewpoints (both of authors and of fictional characters). To discuss how characters change and develop through texts by drawing inferences based on indirect clues.
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Poetry and Performance	Nursery To listen to and join in with stories and poems, one-to-one and also in small groups. To join in with repeated refrains in rhymes and stories. To use	To recite simple poems by heart.	To continue to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear.	To prepare and perform poems and play scripts that show some awareness of the audience when reading aloud. To begin to use appropriate intonation and volume when	To recognise and discuss some different forms of poetry (e.g. free verse or narrative poetry). To prepare and perform poems and play scripts with appropriate techniques (intonation, tone, volume and action) to	To continually show an awareness of audience when reading out loud using intonation, tone, volume and action.	To confidently perform texts (including poems learnt by heart) using a wide range of devices to engage the audience and for effect.





	intonation,			reading aloud.	show awareness		
	rhythm and				of the audience		
	phrasing to				when reading		
	make the				aloud.		
	meaning clear to						
	others.						
	To develop						
	preference for						
	forms of						
	expression.						
	To play						
	cooperatively						
	as part of a						
	group to						
	develop and						
	act out a						
	narrative.						
	Reception						
	To express						
	themselves						
	effectively,						
	showing						
	awareness of						
	listeners' needs.						
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Non-fiction	Nursery	To begin to	To recognise that	To retrieve	To use all of the	To use	To retrieve,
	To know that	recognise that	non- fiction books	and record	organisational	knowledge of	record and
	information can	non- fiction	are often	information	devices	texts and	present
	be relayed in	books are often	structured in	from non-	available within	organisation	information from
	,	structured in	different ways.	fiction texts.	a non- fiction	devices to	non-fiction texts.





^{*} These are detailed in the word lists within the spelling appendix to the national curriculum (English Appendix 1). Teachers should refer to these to exemplify the words that pupils should be able to read as well as spell.