

	EYFS	Key S	Key Stage 1		Lower Key Stage 2		Upper Key Stage 2	
	Nursery and Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Phonics and Decoding	Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can: • spot and suggest rhymes • count or clap syllables in words • recognise words with the same initial sound, such as money and mother Read individual letters by saying the sounds for them. Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of letter-sound correspondences. Read some letter groups that each represent one sound and say sounds for them. Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter-sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words. Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs. Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound-blending. Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge, including some common exception words.	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 -s, -es, -ing, -ed and -est endings. To read words with contractions, e.g. I'm, I'll and we'll.	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 read most words containing common suffixes.	To use their phonic knowledgetodecode quickly and accurately (may still need support to read longer unknown words). Toapplytheir growing knowledge of root words and prefixes, including in-, im-, il-, ir-, dis-, mis-, un-, re-, sub-, inter-, super-, anti-andauto-to beginto read aloud. Toapplytheir growing knowledge of root words and suffixes/word endings, including-ation, -ly, -ous, -ture, -sure, -sion, -tion, -ssion and -cian, to begin to read aloud.	To read most words fluently and attempt to decode anyunfamiliar words with increasing speed andskill. 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 Yr5/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.	
Common Exception Words	Read a few common exception words matched to the school's phonic programme. To read some common irregular words.	To read Y1 common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and wherethese 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 theunusual correspondences between spelling and these occur in the word.	To read most Y5/ Y6 exception words, discussing the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word.		



Fluency

Understand the five key concepts about print:

- print has meaning
- the names of different parts of a book
- print can have different purposes
- page sequencing
- we read English text from left to right and from top to bottom

Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of letter-sound correspondences.

Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter-sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words.

Re-read books to build up their confidence in word reading, their fluency and their understanding and enjoyment.

Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge, including some common exception words. To accurately read texts that are consistent with their developing phonic knowledge, that do not require them to use other strategies to work out words.

To reread texts to build up fluency and confidence in word reading.

To read aloud books (closely matched to their improving phonic knowledge), sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, automatically and without undue hesitation.

To reread these books to build up fluency and confidence in word reading.

To read words accurately and fluently without overt sounding and blending, e.g. at over 90 words per minute, in ageappropriate texts. 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.



Reading Comprehension Understanding and Correcting Inaccuracies	Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens. Understand 'why' questions, like: "Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?" Be able to express a point of view and debate when they disagree with an adult or a friend, using words as well as actions. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding.	To check that a text makes sense to them as they read and to self-correct.	To showunderstanding 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.				
	Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary. Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently						
Comparing, Contrasting and Commenting	introduced vocabulary. Be able to express a point of view and debate when they disagree with an adult or a friend, using words as well as actions. Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past. Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as exact repetition and some in their own words.	To listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction, nonfiction and poetry at a level beyond that at which they can read independently. To link what they have readorhavereadtothem to their ownexperiences. To retell familiar stories in increasing detail. To join in with discussions about a text, taking turns and listening to what others say.	To participate in discussion about books, poems and other works that are read to them (at a level beyond at which they can read independently) and those that they can read for themselves, explaining their understanding and expressing their views. To become increasingly familiar with and to retell a wide range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales.	To recognise, listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks. To use appropriate terminology when discussing texts (plot, character, setting).	To discuss and compare texts from a wide variety of genres and writers. To read for a range of purposes. To identify themes and conventions in a wide range of books. To refer to authorial style, overall themes and features.	To read a wide range of genres, identifying the characteristics of text types (such as the use of the first person in writing diaries and autobiographies) and differences between text types. To participate in discussions about books that are read to them and those they can read for themselves, building on their own and others' ideas and challenging views courteously.	To read for pleasure, discussing, comparing and evaluating in depth across a wide range of genres, including myths, legends, traditional stories, modern fiction, fiction from our literary heritage and books from other cultures and traditions. To recognise more complex themes in what they read (such as loss or heroism).



	Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions. Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, nonfiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate. Anticipate (where appropriate) key events in stories. Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary	To discuss the significance of titles and events.	To discuss the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related.			To identify main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and to summarise these. To recommend texts to peers based on personal choice.	To explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read, including through formal presentations and debates, maintaining a focus on the topic and using notes where necessary. To listen to guidance and feedback on the quality of their explanations and contributions to discussions and to make improvements when participating in discussions. 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 text and across more than one text.
Words in Context and Authorial Choice	Use a wider range of vocabulary. Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary. Learn new vocabulary. Use new vocabulary throughout the day.	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.



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	Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as exact repetition and some in their own words. Use new vocabulary in different contexts. Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary. Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, nonfiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate. Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary. Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, nonfiction, rhymes and poems and						
Inference and	during role play. Understand 'why' questions, like:	To begin to make simple inferences.	To make inferences on the basis of what is	To ask and answer questions	To draw inferences from characters' feelings,	To draw inferences from characters' feelings,	To consider different accounts of the same
Prediction	"Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?"	To predict what might happen on the basis of	being said and done. To predict what might	appropriately, including some simple inference	thoughts and motives that justifies their	thoughts and motives. To make predictions	event and to discuss viewpoints (both of
	Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of	what has been read so far.	happen on the basis of what has been read so far	questions based on characters' feelings,	actions, supporting their views with evidence from	based on details stated and implied, justifying	authors and of fictional characters).
	recently introduced vocabulary from		in a text.	thoughts and motives.	the text.	them in detail with evidence from the text.	To discuss how
	stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.			To justify predictions using evidence from the	To justify predictions from details stated and implied.	evidence nom the text.	characters change and develop through texts by
	Anticipate (where appropriate) key events in stories.			text.			drawing inferences based on indirect clues.



Poetry and	Sing a large repertoire of songs.	To recite simple poems	To continue to build up a	To prepare and	To recognise and	To continually show an	To confidently perform
Performance		by heart.	repertoire of poems	perform poems and	discuss some different	awareness of audience	texts (including poems
	Know many rhymes, be able to		learnt by heart, appreciating these and	play scripts that show	forms of poetry (e.g.	when reading out loud using intonation, tone,	learnt by heart) using a wide range of devices to
	talk about familiar books, and be		reciting some with	some awareness of the	free verse or narrative	volume and action.	engage the audience and
	able to tell a long story.		appropriate intonation to	audience when reading	poetry).	volume and action.	for effect.
	Take part in simple pretend play,		make the meaning clear.	aloud.			Tor criccu
	using an object to represent				To prepare and perform		
	something else even though they			To begin to use	poems and play scripts		
	are not similar.			appropriate intonation	with appropriate		
				and volume when	techniques (intonation,		
	Begin to develop complex stories			reading aloud.	tone, volume and action)		
	using small world equipment like				to show awareness of the		
	animal sets, dolls and dolls				audience when reading		
	houses, etc.				aloud.		
	Remember and sing entire songs.						
	Sing the melodic shape (moving						
	melody, such as up and down and						
	down and up) of familiar songs.						
	Create their own songs, or						
	improvise a song around one						
	they know.						
	Engage in story times.						
	Retell the story, once they have						
	developed a deep familiarity with						
	the text; some as exact repetition						
	and some in their own words.						
	Learn rhymes, poems and songs.						
	Sing in a group or on their own,						
	increasingly matching the pitch						
	and following the melody.						
	Develop storylines in their pretend						
	play.						
	Demonstrate understanding of						
	what has been read to them by						
	retelling stories and narratives						
	using their own words and						
	recently introduced						
	vocabulary.						



	Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories. Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with their peers and their teacher. Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time to music.					
Non-Fiction	Engage in non-fiction books. Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary. Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate. Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and	To recognise that non-fiction books are often structured in different ways.	To retrieve and record information from non-fiction texts.	To use all of the organisational devices available within a nonfiction text to retrieve, record and discuss information. To use dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read.	To use knowledge of texts and organisation devices to retrieve, record and discuss information from fiction and non-fiction texts.	To retrieve, record and present information from non-fiction texts. To use non-fiction materials for purposeful information retrieval (e.g. in reading history, geography and science textbooks) and in contexts where pupils are genuinely motivated to find out information (e.g. reading information leaflets before a gallery or museum visit or reading a theatre programme or review).