Questions to ask your child when reading - Key Stage 1

Before reading the book:

- · Can you point to the title? or What is this? (pointing to the title)
- · What might happen in the story? How can you tell?

In an information book or leaflet- what can I find out from this?

During the reading of the book:

- · What has happened so far? Is it what you expected to happen?
- · What does this word mean? Do you know another word that means the same thing?
- What sort of character is....? Is he/she friendly/ mean/ nice and how can you tell?

In an information book or leaflet- where do I look if I want to find out about...?

At the end of the book:

- Did you like this book? Why? (Encourage children to develop their opinion about books by encouraging them to explain their reasons)
- · What was your favourite part? Why?
- · What was the most interesting/exciting part of the book? Can you find it?
- What sort of character was...?
- · Why did that character do ... (give a situation/ event from the story)?
- · What happened in the story?

