# Reading Skills Progression.

Key Skills
To use pictures to tell a story
Sequence familiar stories
Independently look at books and holding them the correct way and turning the
pages.
Engage in story time and joining in with repeated phrases and actions
Begin to answer questions about the stories read to them.
To enjoy a range of stories including fiction, non-fiction, poems, and rhymes.
To act out stories
Predict what might happen in the story, suggesting how a story may end.
Retell stories
To follow a story without picture or prompts
To begin to use vocabulary which has been influences by their experience of
books.
To know information can be retrieved from books.
Introduce sounds- Phase 2, 3 and 4. Bringing in tricky words.
Word reading
- Apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words
- Respond speedily with the correct sound to graphemes (letters or groups of
letters) for all 40+ phonemes, including, where applicable, alternative sounds for
graphemes
- Read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words containing GPCs that
have been taught
- Read common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between
spelling and sound and where these occur in the word
- Read words containing taught GPCs and -s, -es, -ing, -ed, -er and -est endings
- Read other words of more than one syllable that contain taught GPCs
- Read words with contractions [for example, I'm, I'll, we'll], and understand that the apostrophe represents the omitted letter(s)
- Read aloud accurately books that are consistent with their developing phonic
knowledge and that do not require them to use other strategies to work out
words
- Re-read these books to build up their fluency and confidence in word reading.
- Sound out unfamiliar words accurately, automatically and without undue
hesitation.
Comprehension
Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding
by:
- listening to and discussing a wide range of poems, stories and non-fiction at a
level beyond that at which they can read independently
- being encouraged to link what they read or hear read to their own experiences

- becoming very familiar with key stories, fairy stories and traditional tales, retelling them and considering their particular characteristics
- recognising and joining in with predictable phrases
- learning to appreciate rhymes and poems, and to recite some by heart
- discussing word meanings, linking new meanings to those already known

Understand both the books they can already read accurately and fluently and those they listen to by:

- drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher
- checking that the text makes sense to them as they read and correcting inaccurate reading
- discussing the significance of the title and events
- making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done
- predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far Participate in discussion about what is read to them, taking turns and listening to what others say.

Explain clearly their understanding of what is read to them.

Identify / explain key aspects of flction and non-flction texts, such as characters, events, titles and information.

# **Word reading**

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- Continue to apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words until automatic decoding has become embedded and reading is fluent read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain the graphemes taught so far, especially recognising alternative sounds for graphemes
- Read accurately words of two or more syllables that contain the same graphemes as above
- -Read words containing common suffixes
- Read further common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word
- Read most words quickly and accurately, without overt sounding and blending, when they have been frequently encountered
- Read aloud books closely matched to their improving phonic knowledge, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, automatically and without undue hesitation
- Re-read these books to build up their fluency and confidence in word reading.

## **Comprehension**

Pupils should be taught to: Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by:

- -listening to, discussing and expressing views about a wide range of contemporary and classic poetry, stories and non-fiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently
- discussing the sequence of events in books and how items of information are

related

- becoming increasingly familiar with and retelling a wider range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales
- being introduced to non-fiction books that are structured in different ways
- recognising simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry
- discussing and clarifying the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary discussing their favourite words and phrases
- continuing to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some, with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear

Understand both the books that they can already read accurately and fluently and those that they listen to by:

- drawing on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher
- checking that the text makes sense to them as they read and correcting inaccurate reading
- making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done
- answering and asking questions
- predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far

Participate in discussion about books, poems and other works that are read to them and those that they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what others say.

Explain and discuss their understanding of books, poems and other material, both those that they listen to and those that they read for themselves.

Identify / explain key aspects of flction and non-flction texts, such as characters, events, titles and information.

Identify and explain the sequence of events in texts.

# **Word reading**

- Apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (etymology and morphology) as listed in English Appendix 1, both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words they meet
- Read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word.

# **Comprehension**

Develop positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what they read by:

- listening to and discussing a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks
- reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes
- using dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read
- increasing their familiarity with a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retelling some of these orally

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- identifying themes and conventions in a wide range of books
- preparing poems and play scripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action
- discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination
- recognising some different forms of poetry [for example, free verse, narrative poetry]

Understand what they read, in books they can read independently, by:

- checking that the text makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context
- asking questions to improve their understanding of a text
- drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence
- predicting what might happen from details stated and implied
- identifying main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these
- identifying how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning

Retrieve and record information identify key details from fictions and non-fiction. Participate in discussion about both books that are read to them and those they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what others say.

- Make comparisons within the text.

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- Make comparisons within the text.

# **Word reading**

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- apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (morphology and etymology), as listed in English Appendix 1, both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words that they meet.

# Comprehension

Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what they read by:

- continuing to read and discuss an increasingly wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks
- -reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes
- increasing their familiarity with a wide range of books, including myths, legends and traditional stories, modern fiction, fiction from our literary heritage, and books from other cultures and traditions
- recommending books that they have read to their peers, giving reasons for their choices.
- give / explain the meaning of words in context retrieve and record information identify key details from fiction and non-fiction
- summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph
- make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text
- predict what might happen from details stated and implied
- identify / explain how information / narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole
- identify / explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases
- make comparisons within the text

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## Year 7 and beyond (KS3)

Reading at key stage 3 should be wide, varied and challenging. Pupils should be expected to read whole books, to read in depth and to read for pleasure and information. Pupils should continue to develop their knowledge of and skills in writing, refining their drafting skills and developing resilience to write at length. They should be taught to write formal and academic essays as well as writing imaginatively. They should be taught to write for a variety of purposes and audiences across a range of contexts. This requires an increasingly wide knowledge of vocabulary and grammar. Opportunities for teachers to enhance pupils' vocabulary will arise naturally from their reading and writing. Teachers should show pupils how to understand the relationships between words, how to understand nuances in meaning, and how to develop their understanding of, and ability to use, figurative language.

Reading Pupils should be taught to:

- develop an appreciation and love of reading, and read increasingly challenging material independently through:
- reading a wide range of fiction and non-fiction, including in particular whole books, short stories, poems and plays with a wide coverage of genres, historical periods, forms and authors. The range will include high-quality works from:
- English literature, both pre-1914 and contemporary, including prose, poetry and drama
- Shakespeare (two plays)
- seminal world literature

Choosing and reading books independently for challenge, interest and enjoyment.

Re-reading books encountered earlier to increase familiarity with them and provide a basis for making comparisons.

Understand increasingly challenging texts through:

- learning new vocabulary, relating it explicitly to known vocabulary and understanding it with the help of context and dictionaries
- making inferences and referring to evidence in the text
- knowing the purpose, audience for and context of the writing and drawing on this knowledge to support comprehension
- checking their understanding to make sure that what they have read makes sense.

## read critically through:

- knowing how language, including figurative language, vocabulary choice, grammar, text structure and organisational features, presents meaning
- recognising a range of poetic conventions and understanding how these have been used
- studying setting, plot, and characterisation, and the effects of these
- understanding how the work of dramatists is communicated effectively through performance and how alternative staging allows for different interpretations of a play
- making critical comparisons across texts
- studying a range of authors, including at least two authors in depth each year.