Progression in Reading



Come as you are. Leave at your best.

	Reception	Year I	Year 2	Year 3 and Year 4	Year 5 and Year 6
Word reading and decoding	 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. Read individual letters by saying the sounds for them. Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of known letter- sound correspondences. Read some letter groups that each represent one sound and say 	decode words speedily read all 40+ letters/groups for 40+ phonemes including alternative sounds for graphemes read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words containing GPCs that have been taught read common exception words read common suffixes (-s, -es,	• 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, including alternative sounds for graphemes • read multisyllabic words containing these graphemes • read exception words, noting unusual correspondences • read most words quickly & accurately without overt sounding and blending • Read aloud books closely matched	• apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes, 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	• apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (morphology and etymology), both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words that they meet

	sounds for them. Read a few common exception words matched to the school's phonic programme. Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter- sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words.	 Read books aloud, accurately, that are consistent with their developing phonic knowledge and that do not require them to use other strategies to work out words reread these books to build up their fluency and confidence in word reading 	to their imporving phonic knowledge, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, automatically and without undue hesitation. • reread these books to build up their fluency and confidence in word reading		
Range of reading	 Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary. Engage in nonfiction books. Engage in storytimes. 	 listening to and discussing a wide range of poems, stories and nonfiction 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 	• 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	 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 	 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 making comparisons within and across books
Familiarity with texts	 Re-read books to build up their confidence in word reading, 	 becoming very familiar with key stories, fairy 	becoming increasingly familiar with and	 increasing their familiarity with a wide range of 	increasing their familiarity with a wide range of

	their fluency and their understanding and enjoyment Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text, some as exact repetition and some in their own words. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding. Anticipate - where appropriate - key events in stories	stories and traditional tales, retelling them and considering their particular characteristics • recognising and joining in with predictable phrases	retelling a wider range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales • recognising simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry	books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retelling some of these orally identifying themes and conventions in a wide range of books	books, including myths, legends and traditional stories, modern fiction from our literary heritage, and books from other cultures and traditions • identifying and discussing themes and conventions in and across a wide range of writing
Poetry & Performance Word meanings	 Sing a large repertoire of songs. Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long story. Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound. Learn rhymes, poems and songs. Listen to and 	learning to appreciate rhymes and poems, and to recite some by heart discussing word	continuing to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some, with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear discussing and	 preparing poems and play scripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action recognising some different forms of poetry using dictionaries 	audience
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Understanding	talk about selected non- fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary. Learn new vocabulary and use it in different contexts through the day. Use a wider range of vocabulary. Understand a question or instruction that has two parts, such as: "Get your coat and wait at the door". Understand 'why' questions, like: "Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?" Understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non- fiction, rhymes and poems and during role-play. Understanding of	meanings, linking new meanings to those already known	clarifying the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary discussing their favourite words and phrase	to check the meaning of words that they have read	book makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and exploring the meaning of words in context
Understanding	what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives	 drawing on what they already know or on background 	 discussing the sequence of events in books and how items of 	 checking that the text makes sense to them, discussing their 	 asking questions to improve their understanding summarising the

	using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary • Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them.	information and vocabulary provided by the teacher • checking that the text makes sense to them as they read and correcting inaccurate reading	information are related • 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	understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context asking questions to improve their understanding of a text identifying main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these	main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph, identifying key details to support the main ideas
Inference		 Discussing the significance of the title and events Making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done 	 making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done answering and asking questions 	drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence	drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence
Prediction		 Predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far 	 predicting what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far 	 predicting what might happen from details stated and implied 	 predicting what might happen from details stated and implied
Author's Intent				 discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination 	 identifying how language, structure and presentation contribute to

				identifying how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning	meaning discuss and evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader
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. 		being introduced to non-fiction books that are structured in different ways	retrieve and record information from non-fiction	 distinguish between statements of fact and opinion retrieve, record and present information from non-fiction
Discussing reading	 Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long story. Be able to express a point of view and to debate when they disagree with an adult or a friend, using words as well as actions. Start a conversation with an adult or a friend and continue it for 	 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 	 participate in discussion about books, poems & other works that are read to them & 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 	• 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	 recommending books that they have read to their peers, giving reasons for their choices participate in discussions about books, building on their own and others' ideas and challenging views courteously explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read, including

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	they read for	presentations and
	themselves	debates,
		maintaining a
		focus on the
		topic and using
		notes where
		necessary.
		 provide reasoned
		justifications for
		their views