

Progression of Skills and Knowledge for Reading Word reading									
Shows interest in illustrations and print in books and print in the environment. Recognises familiar words and signs such as own name and advertising logos. Can segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together and knows which letters represent some of them. Begins to read words and simple sentences. Children read and understand simple sentences. They use phonic knowledge to decode regular words and read	Respond speedily with the correct sound to graphemes (letters or groups of letters) for all 40+ phonemes, including, where applicable, alternative sounds for graphemes that have been taught. Read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words containing GPCs that have been taught. Read common exception words that have been taught, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word.	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 graphemes taught so far. Read words containing common suffixes. Read aloud books closely matched to their improving phonic knowledge, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, automatically and without undue hesitation.	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.	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.	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.	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.			



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them aloud						
accurately.	Read aloud	Read further				
	accurately books	common				
They also read	that are	exception words,				
some common	consistent with	noting unusual				
irregular words.	their developing	correspondences				
· ·	phonic knowledge	between spelling				
	and that do not	and sound and				
	require them to	where these occur				
	use other	in the word.				
	strategies to work					
	out words.	Re-read books to				
		build up their				
	Re-read books to	fluency and				
	build up their	confidence in				
	fluency and	word reading.				
	confidence in					
	word reading.	Read most words				
	Read other words	quickly and				
	of more than one	accurately, without				
		overt sounding and blending,				
	syllable that contain taught	when				
	GPCs Read words	they have been				
	Containing taught	frequently				
	GPCs and –s, –es, –	encountered.				
	ing, – ed, –er and –	encountered.				
	est endings.					
	est criumgs.					
	Read words with					
	contractions [for					
	example, I'm, I'll,					
	we'll], and					
	understand that					
	the apostrophe					
	represents the					
	omitted letter(s).					
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	Clarity, Themes and Conventions								
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6			
Beginning to be	Become very familiar	Listen to, discuss and	Read books that are	Identify themes and	Identify and discuss	Identify and discuss			
aware of the way	with key stories, fairy	express views about	structured in	conventions in a wide	themes and	themes and			
stories are	stories and	a wide range of	different ways and	range of books e.g.	conventions in a wide	conventions in a			
structured.	traditional tales.	contemporary and	show some	make relevant links to	range of writing e.g.	wide range of writing			
		classic poetry,	awareness of the	known texts and	'heroism' or 'loss'.	e.g. isolation or			
Suggests how the	Begin to appreciate	stories and non-	various purposes for	personal experience,		flashback.			
story might end.	rhymes and poems,	fiction at a level	reading.	recognise themes such	Read books that are				
	and to recite some by	beyond that at which		as bullying, recognise	structured in	Read books that are			
Enjoys an increasing	heart.	they can read	Identify themes and	conventions such as	different ways and	structured in			
range of books.		independently.	conventions in a	the 'power of 3' (3	read for a range of	different ways and			
	Discuss the		wide range of books	wishes, 3 characters, 3	purposes.	read for a range of			
Listens to stories	significance of the	Become increasingly	e.g. recognising	words in a slogan).		purposes.			
with increasing	title and events.	familiar with and	simple links to		Discuss and evaluate				
attention and		retell a wider range	known	Identify how a	how authors use	Identify and			
recall.	Understand and use	of stories, fairy	texts or personal	range of	language, including	comment on genre-			
	terms such as story,	stories and	experience;	presentational	figurative language,	specific language			
They demonstrate	fairy story, rhyme,	traditional tales.	recognising	devices guide the	considering the	features used e.g.			
understanding when	poem, cover, title,		conventions such as	reader in non-	impact on the reader.	shades of meaning			
talking with others	author.	Read non-fiction	the triumph of good	fiction.		between similar			
about what they		books that are	over evil and magical		Identify how	words.			
have read.	Become very familiar	structured in	devices in fairy	Identify features	presentational and				
	with key stories, fairy	different ways.	stories/ folk tales.	that characterise	organisational	Make comparisons			
	stories and			books set in	choices vary	within and across			
	traditional tales,	Make comparisons	Identify and name	different cultures	according to the	books.			
	retelling them.	between books,	presentational	or historical	form and purpose of				
		noting similarities,	devices in non-	settings.	the writing.	Discuss and evaluate			
	Understand the	differences and	fiction.			how authors use			
	difference between	preferences		Recognise some	Make simple links	language, including			
	fiction and non-	between e.g. layout,	Demonstrate	different forms of	between texts, their	figurative language,			
	fiction.	features and setting.	familiarity with a	poetry [for	audience, purpose,	considering the			
			wide range of books,	example, free	time and culture,	impact on the reader.			
	Become very familiar	Understand both the	including fairy	verse, narrative	drawing on a good				
	with key stories, fairy	books they can	stories, myths and	poetry].	knowledge of	Recognise texts that			
	stories and	already read	legends and retell		authors.	contain features from			



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	traditional tales,	accurately and	some of these orally.	Make links between		more than one
	retelling them and	fluently, and those		texts and to the	Ask questions to	genre, or
	considering their	they listen to.	Can explore and	wider world.	improve their	demonstrate shifts in
	particular		discuss underlying		understanding of a	formality.
	characteristics.	Check that the text	themes and ideas.	Ask questions to	text.	
		makes sense to		improve their		Explain and justify
	Understand both the	them as they read	Ask questions to	understanding of a	Explain and discuss	how texts relate to
	books they can already	and correct	improve their	text.	their understanding	audience, purpose,
	read accurately and	inaccurate reading.	understanding of a		of what they have	time and culture, and
	fluently, and those		text.	Check that the text	read, through formal	refer to
	they listen to.	Draw on what they		makes sense to	presentations and	specific aspects of a
		already know or on	Check that the text	them, discussing	debates, maintaining	text that exemplify
	Develop	background	makes sense to them,	their	a focus on the topic.	this.
	understanding by	information and	discussing their	understanding and		
	drawing on what		understanding and	explaining the		Check the book
	they already know	vocabulary,	explaining the meaning	meaning of words		makes sense to them
	or on background	provided by the	of words in context.	in context.		by discussing their
	information and	teacher.				understanding and
	vocabulary provided					exploring the
	by the teacher.					meaning of words in
						context.
	Can seek out books					
	around a simple					Ask questions to
	theme or topic.					improve their
						understanding of a
						text.
						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.



Reading Masters : Text & Talk (Vocabulary)								
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6		
Joins in with repeated refrains and anticipates key events and phrases in rhymes and stories. Uses vocabulary and forms of speech that are increasingly influenced by their experiences of books.	Recognise and join in with predictable phrases. Identify how repetitive patterns, words and phrases aid their enjoyment of the text. Read aloud their own writing clearly enough to be heard by their peers and the teacher.	Recognise simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry. Read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear (Year 2 writing National Curriculum). Discuss favourite words and phrases Identify how vocabulary choice affects meaning.	Identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning. Discuss the effect of specific language on the reader Identify specific techniques, e.g. simile, alliteration and repetition and say why they interest them. Read aloud their own writing, to a group or the whole class, using appropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear (Year 3 /4 writing National Curriculum). Use dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read.	Identify how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning. Identify specific techniques, e.g. simile, metaphor, repetition and exaggeration; explaining the effect on them as a reader. Show understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action when performing poems and play scripts. Read aloud their own writing, to a group or the whole class, using appropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear (Yr 4 writing National curriculum).	Identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning. Show understanding through intonation, tone and volume so that meaning is clear to an audience. Discuss and evaluate the intended impact of the language used with reference to the text. Perform their own compositions, using appropriate intonation, volume, and movement so that meaning is clear (Yr 5/6 National Curriculum writing). Use dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read. Use a thesaurus.	Identify how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning. Show understanding through intonation, tone and volume so that meaning is clear to an audience. Evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader. Compare and discuss accounts of the same event through different character viewpoints. Explore a similar theme or topic written in a different genre. Perform their own compositions, using appropriate		



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				Use dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read. Use a thesaurus.

Reading Masters: Thinking Caps							
(Inference)							
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Joins in with repeated refrains and anticipates key events and phrases in rhymes and	Predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far.	Predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far and their own	Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.	Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.	Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.	Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.	
stories. They demonstrate	Make inferences on the basis of what is being said and	experience. Make inferences on	Draw plausible inferences, often supported through	Draw sound inferences, supported through	Draw inferences such as inferring characters'	Draw inferences such as inferring characters'	
understanding	done.	the basis of what is			feelings, thoughts	feelings, thoughts	



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when talking with others about what they have read.		being said and done. Make simple inferences about characters' thoughts and feelings and reasons for actions.	reference to the text. Draw inferences such as inferring feelings, thoughts and motives of main characters from their actions. Justify inferences with evidence.	reference to the text. Draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives of main characters from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence. Infer underlying themes and ideas.	and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence. Make links between the authors' use of language and the inferences drawn.	and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence. Refer to the text to support predictions and opinions (expanding responses to provide Evidence + Explanation). Begin to see how inferences draw on the connotations of words, their use in context and that they can be cumulative.

	Reading Masters: Building Blocks (Summarise & Predict)							
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6		
Answer the questions: 'What might happen next?'	Predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far.	Predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far and their own experience.	Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.	Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.	Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.	Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.		



Reading Masters: Word Detectives (Information Retrieval)							
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Listens to and joins in with stories and poems, one-to-one and also in small groups. Joins in with repeated refrains and anticipates.	Participate in discussion about what is read to them, taking turns and listening to what others say. Find key points in a story or some key facts from an information text.	Answer questions. Extract information from the text and discuss orally with reference to the text.	Uses text features to locate information e.g. contents, indices, subheadings. Locate and retrieve information using skimming, scanning and text marking. Begin to recognise fact and opinion. Retrieve and record information from non-fiction. Extract information	Retrieve and record information from non-fiction. Recognise and distinguish between fact and opinion.	Retrieve, record and present information from non-fiction. Skim and scan efficiently for vocabulary, key ideas and facts on both the printed page and screen. Extract information and make notes using quotations and reference to the text.	Retrieve, record and present information from non-fiction. Skim and scan efficiently to extract information and make well organised notes of the main ideas using quotation and reference to the text using own words.	

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EYFS Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6							



Listens to stories	Check that the text	Identify and discuss	Show	Identify main ideas	Check the book	Distinguish between
with increasing	makes sense to them	the main events or key	understanding of	drawn from more than	makes sense to them	statements of fact
attention and recall.	as they read and	points in a text.	the main points	one paragraph and	by discussing their	and opinion and
	correcting inaccurate		drawn from one	summarise these.	understanding and	recognise them in
Describes main	reading.	Retell a story clearly	paragraph.		exploring the	the language used
story settings,		and with		Summarise the main	meaning of words in	by authors to
events and	Recall the main	appropriate detail.	Show	details from more	context.	influence readers.
principal	points of a		understanding of	than one paragraph		
characters.	narrative in the	Discuss the sequence	the main points	in a few sentences,	Distinguish between	Summarise main
	correct sequence.	of events in books	drawn from more	using vocabulary	statements of fact	ideas drawn from
Shows interest in		and how items of	than one paragraph.	from the text.	and opinion and	more than one
illustrations and	Develop pleasure in	information are			understand why this	paragraph identifying
print in books and	reading, motivation	related.	Listen to and discuss	Listen to and discuss	is important to	the key details that
print in the	to read, vocabulary		a wide range of	a wide range of	interpreting the text.	support the main
environment.	and understanding by	Identify or provide	fiction, poetry, plays,	fiction, poetry, plays,		ideas.
	being encouraged to	own synonyms for	non- fiction and	non- fiction and	Identify main ideas	
Uses vocabulary and	link what they read or	specific words	reference books and	reference books or	drawn from more	Produce a succinct
forms of speech that	hear read to their	within the text.	textbooks.	textbooks.	than one paragraph	summary,
are increasingly	own experiences.				identifying the key	paraphrasing the main
influenced by their		Participate in	Discuss words and	Discuss words and	details that support	ideas from across the
experiences of	Ask questions and	discussions about	phrases that	phrases that	the main ideas.	text or a
books.	express opinions	books, poems and	capture the	capture the		range of sources.
	about main events and	other works that are	reader's interest	reader's interest	Recommend books	0
Enjoys an	characters in stories.	read to them and	and imagination.	and imagination.	that they have read,	Participate in
increasing range		those that they can			giving reasons for	discussions about
of books.	Explain clearly their	read for themselves,	Begin to use	Use specific	their choices.	books that are read
	understanding of	taking turns and	vocabulary from the	vocabulary, and		to them and those
	what is read to them.	listening to what	text to support	ideas expressed in	Participate in	they can read for
		others say.	responses and	the text, to support	discussions about	themselves, building
	Talk about		explanations.	own responses.	books that are read	on their own and
	significant features	Explain and discuss	l la a a a a a d 'f '		to them and those	others' ideas and
	of layout, e.g.,	their understanding	Use specific		they can read for	challenging views
	enlarged text, bold,	of books, poems	vocabulary and		themselves, building	courteously.
	italic, etc.	and other material,	ideas expressed in		on their own and	,
	I	both those that they	the text to support		others' ideas and	Make comparisons



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	listen to and those	own views.		challenging views	within and across
	that they read for			courteously.	books.
	themselves.			debates, maintaining	
				a focus on the topic	Provide reasoned
				and using notes	justifications for
				where necessary.	their views.
				Identify and explain	
				the author's point of	Evaluate how
				view with reference	successfully the
				to the text	organisation of a text
					supports the writer's
				Make comparisons	purpose.
				within and across	
				books.	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.

Evidence for greater depth



Children listen
attentively with
sustained
concentration to
follow a story without
pictures or props.

After listening to stories, children can express views about events or characters in the story and answer questions about why things happened.

Children can read phonically regular words of more than 1 syllable as well as many irregular but high frequency words. They use phonic, semantic and syntactic knowledge to understand unfamiliar vocabulary.

They can describe the main events in the simple stories they have read.

There is no specific national guidance for working at greater depth for Years 1, 3, 4, 5. However, we would use some of the following to begin to assess for greater depth in these year groups:

Evidence that children are applying this standard of reading across other areas of their learning.

Children are applying their knowledge consistently, confidently and fluently.

Children are beginning to use the next year group's word reading objectives.

Being able to explain their thought process confidently and The pupil can, in a book they are reading independently:

- make inferences on the basis of what is said and done independently
- make a plausible prediction about what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far
- make links between the book they are reading and other books they have read

Evidence that children are applying this standard of reading across other areas of their learning.

Children are applying their knowledge consistently, confidently and fluently.

There is no specific national guidance for working at greater depth for Years 1, 3, 4, 5.
However, we would use some of the following to begin to assess for greater depth in these year groups:

Reading age above chronological age by at least one year.

Evidence that children are applying this standard of reading across other areas of their learning.

Children are applying their knowledge consistently, confidently and fluently.

Children are beginning to use the next year group's word reading objectives.

Being able to explain their

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Reading age above chronological age by at least one year.

Evidence that children are applying this standard of reading across other areas of their learning.

Children are applying their knowledge consistently, confidently and fluently.

Children are beginning to use the next year group's word reading objectives.

Being able to explain their thought process confidently and justify answers. There is no specific national guidance for working at greater depth for Years 1, 3, 4, 5. However, we would use some of the following to begin to assess for greater depth in these year groups:

Reading age above chronological age by at least one year.

Evidence that children are applying this standard of reading across other areas of their learning.

Children are applying their knowledge consistently, confidently and fluently.

Children are beginning to use the next year group's word reading objectives.

Being able to explain their

Read a wide range of challenging texts across the full range of genres.

Discuss how characters change and develop through a text by drawing on indirect clues.

Reading age above chronological age by at least one year.

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Children are applying their knowledge consistently, confidently and fluently.

Children are beginning to use the next year group's word reading objectives.

Being able to explain their thought process confidently and



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	justify answers	Children are	thought process	Some evidence taken	thought process	justify answers.
	Some evidence	beginning to use the	confidently and	from reading test	confidently and	
	taken from	next year	justify answers.	scores.	justify answers.	Much evidence taker
	reading test	group's word				from reading test
	scores	reading	Some evidence taken	Moderate these	Some evidence taken	scores (Greater depti
		objectives.	from reading test	children's reading	from reading test	usually approximately
	Moderate these		scores.	across school and/or	scores.	40/41 out of 50).
	children's reading	Being able to		within the cluster.		
	across school	explain their	Moderate these		Moderate these	Moderate these
	and/or within the	thought process	children's reading		children's	children's reading
	cluster	confidently and	across school and/or		reading across	across school
		justify answers.	within the cluster.		school and/or	and/or within the
					within the	cluster.
		Some evidence			cluster.	
		taken from			ciuster.	
		reading test				
		scores.				
		Moderate these				
		children's				
		reading across				
		school and/or				
		within the				
		cluster.				