



Reading Progression

Skills	30-50 months	40-60 months	40-60 months +	Year 1	Year 2
Word Reading	<p>Enjoys rhyming and rhythmic activities</p> <p>Shows awareness of rhyme and alliteration</p> <p>Recognises rhythm in spoken words</p> <p>Listens to and joins in with stories and poems, one to one and in small groups</p> <p>Joins in with repeated refrains and anticipates key events and phrases in rhymes and stories</p> <p>Is beginning to be aware of the way stories are structured</p> <p>Suggests how the story might end</p> <p>Listens to stories with increasing attention and recall</p> <p>Describes main story settings, events and principal characters</p> <p>Shows interest in illustrations and print in books and print in the environment</p> <p>Recognises familiar words and signs such as his/her own name and advertising logos</p>	<p>Continues a rhyming string</p> <p>Hears and says the initial sound in words</p> <p>Can segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together and knows which letters represent some of them.</p> <p>Links sounds to letters, naming and sounding the letters of the alphabet.</p> <p>Begins to read words and simple sentences</p> <p>Uses vocabulary and forms of speech that are increasingly influenced by his/her experiences of books.</p> <p>Enjoys an increasing range of books.</p> <p>Knows that information can be retrieved from books and computers</p> <p>Reads and understands simple sentences</p> <p>Uses phonic knowledge to decode regular words and reads them aloud accurately.</p> <p>Reads some common irregular words</p>	<p>Reads phonically regular words of more than 1 syllable as well as many irregular but high frequency words (ELG Exc)</p> <p>Use phonic, semantic and syntactic knowledge to understand unfamiliar vocabulary (ELG Exc)</p>	<p>Apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words.</p> <p>Say sounds for 40+ graphemes, including one grapheme for each of the 40+ phonemes.</p> <p>Respond speedily with the correct sound to graphemes for all 40+ phonemes, including, alternative sounds for graphemes.</p> <p>Read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words containing GPCs that have been taught.</p> <p>Read many common exception words.</p> <p>Read words containing taught GPCs and –s, -es, -ing, -ed, -er and –est endings.</p> <p>Read aloud many words containing taught GPCs quickly and accurately without overt sounding and blending.</p> <p>Read other words of more than one syllable that contain taught GPCs.</p> <p>Read words with contractions and understand that the apostrophe represents the missing letter.</p>	<p>Continue to apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words until automatic decoding has become embedded and reading is fluent.</p> <p>Read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain graphemes for all 40+ phonemes.</p> <p>Recognise alternative sounds for graphemes.</p> <p>Read accurately words of two or more syllables that contain graphemes taught so far.</p> <p>Read words containing common suffixes.</p> <p>Read common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where occur in the word.</p> <p>Read words in age-appropriate books accurately and fluently without over sounding and blending and sufficiently fluently to allow him/her to focus on understanding rather than decoding.</p> <p>Read aloud books closely matched to improving phonic knowledge, sounding out unfamiliar words</p>

	<p>Looks at books independently</p> <p>Handles books carefully</p> <p>Knows information can be relayed in the form of print</p> <p>Holds books the correct way up and turns pages</p> <p>Knows that print carries meaning and, in English, is read from left to right and top to bottom</p>	<p>Demonstrates understanding when talking with others about what they have read.</p>		<p>Read aloud accurately books that are consistent with developing phonic knowledge and that do not require use of other strategies, such as guessing words from pictures or the context of the sentence, to work out words.</p> <p>Reread phonically decodable books to build up fluency and confidence in word reading.</p>	<p>accurately, automatically and without undue hesitation.</p> <p>Reread books, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, to build up fluency and confidence in word reading.</p>
<p>Comprehension</p>			<p>Describes the main events in the simple stories he/she has read (ELG Exc)</p>	<p>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 he/she can read independently.</p> <p>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by being encouraged to talk about events in what is read or heard read and link to his/her own experiences.</p> <p>Retell some of a familiar story/rhyme, when being read to by an adult (one to one or in a small group)</p> <p>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by joining in with predictable phrases.</p> <p>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by becoming very familiar with key stories, fairy</p>	<p>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 he/she can read independently.</p> <p>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by discussing the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related.</p> <p>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by becoming increasingly familiar with and retelling a wider range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales.</p> <p>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by recognising simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry.</p>

				<p>stories and traditional tales, retelling them and considering their particular characteristics.</p> <p>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by learning to appreciate rhymes and poems and to recite some by heart.</p> <p>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by discussing word meanings, linking new meanings to those already known.</p> <p>Understand both the books he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by drawing on what is already known or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher.</p> <p>Understand both the books he/she can already read accurately and those he/she listens to by checking that the text makes sense as he/she reads and corrects inaccurate reading.</p> <p>Understand both the books that he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those he/she listens to by discussing the significance of the title and events.</p> <p>Understand both the books he/she can already read accurately and those he/she listens to by making inferences on the basis of what is being said and done.</p>	<p>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by discussing and clarifying the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary.</p> <p>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by discussing his/her favourite words and phrases</p> <p>Develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by continuing to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some, with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear.</p> <p>Understand both the books that he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those that he/she listens to by drawing on what he/she already knows or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher.</p> <p>Understand both the books that he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those that he/she listens to by checking that the text makes sense to him/her as he/she reads and corrects inaccurate reading.</p> <p>Understand both the books that he/she can already read accurately and fluently and those that he/she listens to by making inferences on</p>
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Skills	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Word Reading	<p>Apply understanding of root words, prefixes and suffixes (including dis, mis, in, il, im, ir, ly)</p> <p>Read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word.</p>	<p>Apply understanding of root words, prefixes and suffixes (including re, sub, inter, super, anti, auto, ation, ous)</p> <p>Read and decode further exception words accurately.</p>	<p>Read aloud and understand the meaning of new words that he/she meets linked to the expectations of Year 5 spelling.</p>	<p>Read aloud and understand the meaning of new words that he/she meets linked to the expectations of Year 6 spelling.</p>
Comprehension	<p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by listening to and discussing a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays and non-fiction.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by reading books that are structured in different ways.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by increasing his/her familiarity with a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retell some of these orally.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by identifying themes in books.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by reading aloud poems and performing play scripts.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by discussing words that capture the reader's interest and imagination.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by checking that the text makes sense to him/her, discussing his/her understanding of words.</p>	<p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by listening to and discussing a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by reading for a range of purposes.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by using dictionaries to check the meaning of words.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by reading a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retell some of these orally.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by recognising some different forms of poetry e.g. free verse, narrative poetry.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by</p>	<p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by continuing to read and discuss an increasingly wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by increasing his/her 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.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by recommending books that he/she has read to his/her peers, giving reasons for his/her choices.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by identifying and discussing themes and conventions in writing.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by making comparisons within a book.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what he/she reads by preparing poems and plays to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through</p>	<p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what is being read by reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading by increasing familiarity with a wide range of books, including from our literary heritage and books from other cultures and traditions.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading by identifying and discussing themes and conventions in and across a wide range of writing.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading by making comparisons within and across books.</p> <p>Maintain positive attitudes to reading by learning a wider range of poetry by heart.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by summarising the main ideas from more than one paragraph identifying the key details that support the main ideas and using quotations for illustration.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by identifying how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning.</p>

	<p>Understand what he/she reads by asking questions to improve his/her understanding of a text.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by drawing inferences, such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by predicting what might happen from details stated.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by identifying main ideas drawn from within one paragraph and summarise these.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by identifying how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning, including, paragraphs, headings, sub-headings, and inverted commas to punctuate speech.</p> <p>Retrieve and record information from non-fiction.</p> <p>Participate in reasoned discussion about books, poems and other material that is read to him/her and those he/she can read for himself/herself, taking turns and listening to what others say.</p>	<p>identifying themes and conventions in a wide range of books.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads independently by checking that the text makes sense, discussing understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by asking questions to improve his/her understanding of texts of increasing complexity.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads independently by drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions and justifying inferences with evidence clearly taken from the text.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads independently by predicting what might happen from the details stated and implied.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads independently by identifying main ideas from more than one paragraph and summarising.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by identifying how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning, to include: paragraphs, use of pronouns for cohesion, inverted commas for speech, apostrophes to mark possession, fronted adverbials.</p> <p>Retrieve and record information from non-fiction over a wide range of subjects.</p> <p>Participate in clear reasoned discussion about books, poems and other material that is read to him/her and those he/she can read for himself/herself, taking turns and listening to what others say.</p>	<p>intonation, tone and volume so that the meaning is clear to an audience.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by checking that the book makes sense to him/her, discussing his/her understanding and exploring the meaning of words in context.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by asking questions to improve his/her understanding of complex texts.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads by drawing inferences, such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence.</p> <p>Understand what he/she reads in increasingly complex texts by predicting what might happen from details stated and implied.</p> <p>Discuss and evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader.</p> <p>Distinguish between statements of fact and opinion.</p> <p>Retrieve, record and present information from non-fiction.</p>	<p>Discuss and evaluate how authors use language including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader.</p> <p>Participate in discussions about books that are read to him/her and those that can be read for himself/herself, building on his/her own and others' ideas and challenging views courteously and with clear reasoning.</p> <p>Explain and discuss his/her understanding of what he/she has read, including through formal presentations and debates, maintaining a focus on the topic and using notes where necessary.</p> <p>Provide reasoned justifications for his/her views.</p>
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