# Reading Skills Progression

| Nursery   |   |  | Reception  |   |  |  |
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| Autumn  | Spring  | Summer   | Autumn   | Spring  | Summer   |  |
| Word Reading/ Comprehension  I can respond to stories and rhymes  I can talk about pictures in books  I can talk about my pictures  I can respond to different sounds | Word Reading/ Comprehension  I can join in with familiar rhymes and stories  I can comment on familiar stories and rhymes I have heard  I can discriminate between different sounds I can recognise my name | Comprehension  I can talk about one thing that I remember in a familiar story or rhyme • I can say what I like about a story or rhyme  Word Reading  I can copy a sequence of sounds  I can clap syllables in a word | Comprehension  I can talk about some events in a story or rhyme I have heard • I can use some words I have heard in a story when I talk about it e.g. once upon a time  I can remember what happened in a story  Word Reading  I can identify words that rhyme  I can orally segment and blend to read CVC words  I can break words into syllables orally  I can read some common exception words e.g. I, no | <ul> <li>I can describe the key events in a story that I have heard in the sequence</li> <li>I can answer questions about a story I have heard</li> <li>I can story vocabulary in my talk and writing</li> <li>Word Reading</li> <li>I can read simple captions and sentences</li> <li>I can make a set of rhyming words</li> </ul> | I can retell a story that I have heard using my own words     I can predict what might happen in a story • I can use vocabulary from books, rhymes and poems in my talk and writing  Word Reading     I can say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs     I can segment and blend to read words     I can read aloud simple sentences containing common regular and irregular words |  |

## Year 1

Context:

Children are building on from EYFS to include working with one line of text at a time/image/20 sec video Developing children's oral response using the language of 'It says.... It probably means...'

## Vocabulary focus

Character: Helpful, naughty, kind, angry, cross, lonely, happy, excited Location: home, kitchen, bathroom, living room, bedroom, park Age, shape and height of a character: short, tall, round, thin

Everyday objects: lunch box, reading book, pencil

| Retrieval  |   | Inference   |   | Vocabulary  |  |
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| Retrieve facts from a short sentence   | Underline the colour of the rose.                             | Identify facial features (pictures and texts) and make deductions from these.   | Question style What can we retrieve? What might this mean?  | Decode by segmenting and blending unknown words   | use texts which match phonics sounds already learnt  |
| Recall words and phrases from oral retell (across a page of text)  Recall what a character was doing or feeling throughout the story | What did Jim say to Bob? "Get down".  How is Kim feeling? Sad | Identify body language (pictures and texts) and make deductions from these.  Deduce a person's mood (pictures and texts) by the way they have spoken. | Modelled response E.g. He is smiling, it probably means he is happy.  e.g. She has slumped shoulders, it probably means she is sad, e.g., The boy is skipping, it probably means he is happy. E.g. It says GET DOWN FROM THERE, this probably means they are angry. | Locate a word and read the whole sentence it is in  Select a correct definition for a word where the answer is clearly right or wrong | Read the sentence with the word 'cake' in it. e.g. Packets are good for posting soft or small things. A packet is useful for posting which of these things? Heavy things Big things Sharp things Little things |
|  |   | Deduce where a person is from the text.   | Jimmy has a frying pan and was cooking pancakes. Where is Jimmy?  | Understand specific vocabulary identified in whole class texts  | Generate words linked to themes e.g. jobs, shopping, playing, school   |
|  |   | Deduce an action of a character (pictures and texts).   | e.g. It says Penny gave the teacher an apple, this probably means she is kind.  |   |  |

#### Year 2

Context:

Children are working with a paragraph of text up to 5 sentences – ensure the text Location: School, classroom, head teacher's office, playground, beaches, hot, cold contains complex sentences.

Children to identify linked information within the same sentence and begin to link evidence within a section of the text.

## Vocabulary focus

Character: truthful, foolish, brave, hardworking, kind, generous, evil, jealous, grumpy, stubborn, caring, gentle

Deduce time: Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter, bedtime, breakfast, lunchtime

Objects: Animals, food, transport, bike

People: Mum. dad. teacher, brother, sister, friend

| evidence within a section (  | r copie. Warn, dad, teacher, brother, sister, mena                              |   |   |   |  |  |
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| Retrieval  |   | Inference   |   | Vocabulary  |  |  |
| SC   | Application   | SC  | Application   | SC  | Application  |  |
| Retrieve facts from<br>a series of linked<br>sentences                               | True or false grid – what can/cannot be retrieved?                              | Reverse Inference:  Identify words in a question that are not used in a text –  | Provide the inferred word and pupil to retrieve linked fact from the text. Question style e.g. What evidence from the text suggests the character is <i>hardworking</i> ?       | Match actions to vocab  | What word tells you that Jimmy is active? Jimmy runs across the playground. Answer runs.       |  |
| Retrieve facts from headings / captions  | Which heading tells me about what a lion eats?                                  | <i>hardworking.</i> Generate linked ideas to explore key words in a question.   | What tells you that Jimmy was in the classroom?   | Find and copy two<br>words that means the<br>same as a given word   | Give two words that mean the wolf is angry. Shouted. Stamped                                   |  |
| Find and copy single words and phrases  Identify key words in a question to scan for | Scan for words beginning in the same letter e.g. Where was the ship? Scan for S | Use wonderments around the question to identify possible vocabulary to retrieve within the text.  | Modelled response e.g. Cinderella is hardworking because it says that she did all the cooking and cleaning and her hands were sore.   | (action, speech, description)  Select a definition from   | Why is the plant fading? It was dying (correct answer)   |  |
| Retrieve when an<br>event happened by<br>identifying time words                      | When did Little red set off to grandmas? In the morning                         | To use sections of a text to suppor answer  | Modelled response e.g. steals food, laughs at friend = naughty I know and I know so this probably means (Inferred word).  | a given list where the<br>choices are relevant<br>but not accurate  | It was turning into a weed (related to plants but not relevant)  What means the same as angry: |  |
| Retrieve where an<br>event happened by<br>retrieving location<br>words               | Where did Little red meet<br>the wolf? The woods                                | Full Inference: To retrieve 1 or 2 actions of a character and summarise how the character feels into one word (simple vocab e.g. happy, sad, excited, hungry) | Question style e.g. What is the weather like? Modelled response e.g. I know weather can be hot, sunny, cool, frosty etc. What information do I have that supports one of these? | Identify synonyms from a given list Generate synonyms for words that mean the same, in the same context Understand specific | happy, rage, cross, excited<br>Generate a word that means the same<br>as joyful: happy         |  |
| Retrieve feelings by<br>retrieving emotion<br>words                                  | How was little read feeling? Scared   | To retrieve what a character has said and infer how they feel   | Question style How would you describe the characters personality? (refer  | vocabulary identified in whole class texts  |  |  |
|  | All words must come from<br>the text directly not<br>inferred                   | To retrieve the actions of a character and infer the actions  | to action/speech retrieved from the text)  Modelled response e.g. I read that the character is shouting and pointing his finger which probably means they are angry.            |   |  |  |

| Year 3 Context: Children are working with a paragraph of text up to 5 sentences. Children to make links across sentences/within the paragraph |  | Vocabulary focus Character: nasty, cruel, cunning, nervous, uneasy, confused, embarrassed, nervous, shy, miserable, tired, enthusiastic, jolly, pleased, delighted Location: forest, mountains, caves, waterfall, city, village, desert, Artic/Antarctica Time of day: sunset, sunrise, morning, afternoon, evening, Weather: rainy, snow, frost, storms, sweltering, thunder, lightning Different characters: hero, villain, witch, ghost, giant, boss, thief |  |   |  |  |
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| Retrieval   |  | Inference  |  | Vocabulary  |  |  |
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| To retrieve technical information from labelled diagrams  To be able to order retrieved information   | Track the use of pronoun through the sentences.  Question style  Who is he in this section of                                | Explain difference between a fact and an opinion (what is factually presented in the text vs their own experience)   | Question style How do you know Jimmy is angry? (2 mark question style response) Modelled response  | find a word that shows<br>a person's character,<br>emotion, appearance,<br>feelings             | Find and copy one word which shows that Tom is jealous? Frustrated? Proud?   |  |
| within a paragraph.   | text? story? Text example Billy was riding his bike. His dad shouted from the garage "Don't be late", <b>he</b> said.        | Explain that deduction means 'it most probably means/ the most obvious link is.'   | Text evidence needed rather than recall of when they were upset. e.g. In the text it says Jimmy shouted back and it says he stomped up the stairs which probably means he is | Substitute a word and reread to check accuracy and ensure it makes sense.                       | Jimmy was feeling deflated by the football score. Deflated = disappointed (correct) Crushed (not correct)  |  |
| Retrieve by locating a relevant section of text by skimming (getting a gist/overall summary)  | Identify the gist by reading rapidly identifying who, what, where, when recall general facts from across a paragraph of text | Identify 2-3 pieces of evidence to support an inference (across a paragraph).  | angry.  Why did Lulu remind Nan 'I've got my wellies and my umbrella?  because Nan thought she had forgotten them  | Identify if a word is a noun, verb or adjective to support a mean of a word Apply vocabulary in | Jim climbed down the ladder – climbed is a verb etc. The ant climbed the bark. What does bark mean? The outside of a tree not barking from a dog |  |
| Identify the character through the use of a pronoun   | What did Jimmy see on the vessel? On the ship Jimmy glimpsed at the treasure.  |  | because she wanted to go in the rain<br>because Millie was going to borrow<br>them   | context  Generate words that  | Write one word that proves Jimmy is not  |  |
| Retrieve information when the question uses synonyms for key words used in a text   |  |  | because she needed to rescue the hedgehog  | mean the opposite Understand specific vocabulary identified in                                  | excited.   |  |
| To generate linked vocabulary used in a question to scan for Know if a fact can be retrieved or cannot be retrieved from the text             |  | Retrieve words that are similar/the same meaning as a given word.  | Question style e.g Find and copy one word that means the same as evil. Modelled response e.g. evil = wicked, lonely = alone  | whole class texts   |  |  |

| Year 4 Context:   |   | Vocabulary focus Character: determined, grateful, furious, irritating, frustrated, exhausted, spiteful, thrilled, overjoyed   |   |  |  |  |
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| Children are working with a paragraph of text up to 10 sentences.  Children to make links across sentences/within the paragraph                   |   | Time of day: dawn, twilight, midnight, dusk, noon  Objects: technical objects - telescope, thermometer, sieve, magnifying glass, mobile phone, laptop  Character roles – doctor, pharmacist, archaeologist, pilot, firemen  Location: gloomy, eerie, peaceful, enchanted, haunting, over grown, ancient |   |  |  |  |
| Retrieval   |   | Inference   |   | Vocabulary   |  |  |
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| To retrieve technical information from labelled diagrams  | Track the use of pronoun through the sentences. Question style  | Explain difference between a fact and an opinion (what is factually presented in the text vs their own  | Question style How do you know Jimmy is angry? (2 mark question style response)   | find a word that shows<br>a person's character,<br>emotion, appearance,  | Find and copy one word which shows that Tom is jealous? Frustrated? Proud?   |  |
| To be able to order retrieved information within a paragraph.   | Who is he in this section of text? story? Text example Billy was riding his bike. His dad shouted from the garage "Don't be late", he said. | experience)  Explain that deduction means 'it most probably means/ the most obvious link is.'   | Modelled response  Text evidence needed rather than recall of when they were upset. e.g. In the text it says Jimmy shouted back and it says he stomped up the stairs which probably means he is | feelings Substitute a word and reread to check accuracy and ensure it makes sense.                                     | Jimmy was feeling deflated by the football score. Deflated = disappointed (correct) Crushed (not correct)  |  |
| Retrieve by locating a relevant section of text by skimming (getting a gist/overall summary)  Identify the character through the use of a pronoun | Identify the gist by reading rapidly identifying who, what, where, when recall general facts from across a paragraph of text                | Identify 2-3 pieces of evidence to support an inference (across a paragraph).   | angry.  How do you know that the poem takes place at night?  Write two ways that you can tell.  How can you tell there is a lot of snow outside? Write two ways.                                | Identify if a word is a<br>noun, verb or adjective<br>to support a mean of a<br>word<br>Apply vocabulary in<br>context | Jim climbed down the ladder – climbed is a verb etc. The ant climbed the bark. What does bark mean? The outside of a tree not barking from a dog Find a word closest in meaning to |  |
| Retrieve information when the question uses synonyms for key words used in a text   | What did Jimmy see on the vessel? On the ship Jimmy glimpsed at the treasure.   | Make deductions from technical/context rich vocabulary  | Jimmy was waiting for Chrome to load and the Wi-Fi to connect. What device was Jimmy using?   | Generate words that mean the opposite  | Write one word that proves Jimmy is not excited.   |  |
| To generate linked vocabulary used in a question to scan for  |   | Generate one word inferences from the text based on peoples actions, emotions or speech.  | Modelled response I know which probably means   | Understand specific vocabulary identified in   |  |  |
| Know if a fact can be retrieved or cannot be retrieved from the text  |   | Retrieve words that are similar/the same meaning as a given word.   | so I think that<br>Question style<br>e.g Find and copy one word that means<br>the same as evil.<br>Modelled response<br>e.g. evil = wicked, lonely = alone                                      | whole class texts  |  |  |

| Year 5 Context:   |  | Vocabulary focus  |   |   |   |  |  |
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| Children are working with paragraphs of text (1-2 pages) Children to make links across the text |  | Character: warm, calm, eager, comforting, timid, guilty, elated, ecstatic, radiant, miserable, tired, enthusiastic, jolly, pleased, delighted, merciless, brutal  |   |   |   |  |  |
|   |  | Location: isolated, Mediterranea  | n, hostile, over crowded, spacious, treacherous, tranquil, tropica  | al, polluted  |   |  |  |
| Retrieval   |  | Inference   |   | Vocabulary  |   |  |  |
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| After locating a retrieved word ensure the  | When the words in the question are not retrievable generate synonyms/ linked vocabulary and re-scan (born, birth, delivery, entered)   | Identify if an action/ behaviour can/cannot be inferred from the text.  | Can you infer Jimmy is desperate? Support with evidence. No because or yes because. Question style What is your opinion? What impression do you have?   | Explain why a<br>specific word<br>has been used                 | in a flash<br>What does this tell you<br>about the burning of<br>rocks in space?        |  |  |
| Retrieve events in order from across the  | How did Jimmy feel when he saw the ice cream? Text: Jimmy was excited when his friends turned up for the football match. He was disappointed when he noticed   | Form opinions / thoughts / impressions / beliefs about a character by finding links between retrieved facts  Record retrieval, deduction and  | Why do you believe? Why do you think?  Jimmy stamped his feet, threw himself at the bed. These are both actions of a person who is angry.   | Interpret the meaning of similes, metaphors and personification | like a toy sitting on a glass table. What does this description suggest about the boat? |  |  |
| To locate the correct sentence when directed: "go to line / paragraph"                          | they all had ice cream.  Go to the paragraph starting with "in the morning". How is Jimmy feeling?   | Generate specific one word inferences from the text based on people's actions, setting,   | <ul> <li>Modelled response</li> <li>Retrieve evidence from the text</li> <li>Make deductions from what has been retrieved</li> <li>Make an inference based on the deductions<br/>(one word – adjective)</li> </ul>                      | accurately  Understand  |   |  |  |
| To retrieve factual information and data from tables  | ADMISSION CHARGES  Summer Bookfair Winter  Child/OAP £2.99 £3.99 £1.99  Adult £5.99 £6.99 £2.99  Children under the age of 5yrs admitted free.  For further information write to: Bokeham Manor, Bokeham, Couty Durham CD16 2AJ. Tel. (016437) 18753 | emotions or speech.  When reading a question independently identify:  • if the question is based asking for your inference or  • if the inference has already been done  Systematically approach reverse inference. | <ul> <li>Generate linked words to the inferred word in the question</li> <li>Return to a relevant section of the text and scan for related phrases/vocabulary</li> <li>Consider if the related vocabulary found provides the</li> </ul> | specific<br>vocabulary<br>identified in<br>whole class<br>texts |   |  |  |

| Year 6 Context:(appropriate text choice and challenging vocabulary) Children are working with paragraphs of text (1-2 pages) Children to make links across the text |  | Vocabulary focus Character: spiteful, sly, charming, charismatic, deceitful, sinister, sympathetic, animated, desperate, envious, resentful, bitter, vicious, malicious, sinister, sarcastic, arrogant, shallow, overwhelmed Location: perilous, barren, quaint                             |  |  |   |  |
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| Retrieval   |  | Inference   |  | Vocabulary   |   |  |
| sc  | Application  | SC  | Application  | SC   | Application   |  |
| Retrieve by combining information from different parts of the text  | To point to the retrieved information from different parts of the text.                      | When the inference is provided within the question: Generate 2 – 3 different examples from the text – speech, actions,  | Question style What impression do you have of? What impression do you have of the Tim?   | Explain the effect a word has on a reader  |   |  |
| Retrieve changes in character emotions through a text  Retrieve changes in atmosphere through the text  | How did Jims thoughts change from the start of the story to the end?                         | To analyse answers to establish if an answer has been retrieved, deduced or inferred.   | Food stains on his t-shirt Stumbled over school bag "Tim be careful with that!" said mum All imply that Tim is clumsy  | Explain why a<br>specific word has<br>been used  | in a flash<br>What does this tell you about<br>the burning of rocks in space? |  |
| Tick extracts from the text that have been retrieved and not inferred   | Tick the statements that can be retrieved from the text: Jim smiled (tick) Jim was happy (x) | Answer questions using the phrases 'impression', 'you think' and 'opinion', in full inference  Summarise events, atmosphere or peoples actions into one word (usually an adjective)  To accurately quote two sections of the text from different paragraphs/ pages to support an inference. | Modelled response To systematically answer inference questions with quoted evidence from the text. e.g. My impression of Tim is clumsy because it states in the text "Tim looked down at the coffee satins on his new white t-shirt" this probably means he tipped coffee on his top when he was drinking implying he is clumsy etc. | Explain the effect of a word used in speech to another character  Understand specific vocabulary identified in whole class texts (differentiated to age) |   |  |