

Northfield St Nicholas Primary Academy

Reading Progression

VIPER	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Vocab	Phase 1	Suggest			Discuss authors'		Discuss the meaning of	Identify and discuss idiomatic
	phonics	ways that	Explore	Speculate about	choice of words	Understand how	figurative language (metaphors	phrases, expressions and
	L&S	stories are	the effect	why an author	and phrases that	writers use figurative	and similes) and idiomatic	comparisons (metaphors,
		structured	of patterns	might have chosen	describe and create	and expressive	words and phrases used in a	similes and embedded
	Listens to	using story	of	a particular word	impact, e.g.	language to create	text, beginning to explain the	metaphors) met in texts, using
	and joins	language.	language	and the effect they	adjectives and	images and	purpose and impact of such	an appropriate technical
	in with		and	were wanting to	expressive verbs.	atmosphere, e.g. to	choices.	vocabulary.
	stories and	Uses	repeated	achieve, e.g. by		create moods, arouse	Investigate how writers use	Consider how authors have
	poems.	vocabulary	words and	considering	Locate words in a	expectations, build	words and phrases for effect,	introduced and extended
		and forms	phrases.	alternative	dictionary by the	tension, describe	e.g. to persuade, to convey	ideas about characters, events
	Joins in	of speech		synonyms that	first two letters.	attitudes or emotions.	feelings, to entice a reader to	or topics through the language
	with	that are	Identify	might have been			continue.	choices and the way they have
	repeated	increasingl	and	used.	Know the quartiles	Discuss the meaning of		developed them.
	frames and	y	discuss		of the dictionary.	similes and other	Use dictionaries effectively to	Comment critically on how a
	repeats	influenced	some key	Use dictionaries to		comparisons they have	locate word meanings and	writer uses language to imply
	key events	by their	elements	locate words by the		read.	other information about words,	ideas, attitudes and points of
	and	experience	of story	initial letter. Use			e.g. by using alphabetical order,	view.
	phrases in	of books.	language.	terms such as		Locate words in a	understanding abbreviations,	
	rhymes			definition. Discuss		dictionary by the third	determining which definition is	Use dictionaries, glossaries and
	and			the definitions		and fourth place	the most relevant to the	other alphabetically ordered
	stories.			given in dictionaries		letters. Use the	context.	texts confidently and efficiently
				and agree which is		quartiles of the		in order to locate information
				the most useful in		dictionary efficiently to	Use a dictionary to check a	about words met in reading.
				the context.		locate words quickly.	suggested meaning.	Ū.
								Identify the most appropriate
								meaning of a word used in a
								text from alternative definitions
								given in a dictionary.

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Inference		Discuss	Speculate about	Make inferences about	Understand how what	Deduce the reasons		
		how	characters from what	characters from what	a character says or	for the way that	Understand what is	Understand what is
		characters	they say and do, e.g.	they say and do,	does impacts on other	characters behave	implied about	implied about
		feel based	when role playing parts	focusing on important	characters, or on the	from scenes across a	characters and make	characters through the
		on pictures	or reading aloud.	moments in a text.	events described in the	short story.	judgements about	way they are
		and what			narrative.		their motivations and	presented, including
		has been	Discuss what is	How language	Infer characters'	How language	attitudes from the	through the use of a
		read in a	suggested about a	contributes to	feelings in fiction.	contributes to	dialogue and	narrator or narrative
		text.	character from the way	meaning:Investigate		meaning:	descriptions.	voice, explaining how
			or how he/ she speaks.	traditional story	How language	Understand how		this influences the
				language, e.g. story	contributes to	writers use figurative	How language	readers' view of
			How language	openers and endings,	meaning:Discuss the	and expressive	contributes to	characters.
			contributes to	scene openers,	language used to	language to hint at	meaning:Identify and	
			meaning:	language which signals	create significant	and suggest ideas	discuss idiomatic	How language
			Explore the effect of	a time shift or magical	aspects of a text, e.g.	and information in	phrases, expressions	contributes to
			patterned language or	event.	opening, build up,	order to capture	and comparisons	meaning: Identify the
			repeated words and		atmosphere, and how	interest, e.g. how	(metaphors, similes	hints and suggestions
			phrases in familiar	Ask inferential	a writer implies as well	they use language to	and embedded	that writers make
			stories.	questions:	as tells.	set scenes, or create	metaphors) met in	through their choices
				Ask questions to		moods, arouse	texts, considering why	of words and phrases
			Ask inferential	understand more	Ask inferential	expectations, build	authors might have	and the associations
			questions:	about characters and	questions:	tension, describe	used them.	these evoke, e.g. about
			Ask questions to	events in narrative or	Ask questions to	attitudes or	Consider the language	characters, events or
			explore what	the topic in non-	develop understanding	emotions.	used in a text and pick	ideas.
			characters say and do.	fiction.	of characters' feelings	Discuss the meaning	up the implications and	
					and actions, or to	of similes and other	associations being	Ask inferential
			Adapt reading	Adapt reading	understand significant	comparisons that	made by the writer.	questions:
			strategies to make	strategies to make	details about a topic	they read.		Ask questions to clarify
			inferences:	inferences:			Ask inferential	and explore their
			Link what they are	Talk around a topic	Adapt reading	Ask inferential	questions:	understanding of what
			reading to their own	prior to reading.	strategies to make	questions:	Recognise where they	is implied in the text.
			experience.	Re-read sections of	inferences:	Ask questions to	don't understand why	Adapt reading
				texts carefully to find	Link what they read to	clarify their	something happens in	strategies to make
				answers to questions	their knowledge and	understanding of	a text and ask	inferences:
				about characters and	experience of a topic	what is implied about	questions to clarify	Link what they have

events.	and to their knowledge	main ideas, themes	their understanding.	just read to what they
	of similar texts.	and events in texts	Adapt reading	know (prior knowledge
	Make regular	they have read.	strategies to make	and experience), their
	predictions and brief	Adapt reading	inferences:	knowledge of texts,
	summaries as they	strategies to make	Link what they read to	and what they have
	read, thinking about	inferences:	what they know (prior	read in previous
	the clues and hints	Link what they are	knowledge and	sections, to make
	they've picked up, as	reading to prior	experience), their	inferences and
	well as what is directly	knowledge and	knowledge of texts,	deductions.
	stated.	experience and to	and to what they have	Know how to gain a
	Re-read sections of	their knowledge of	read in previous	rapid overview of a
	texts carefully to check	similar texts. Make	sections, to make	text, e.g. by skimming
	their ideas about the	predictions and brief	inferences and	and scanning and
	text.	summaries at regular	deductions.	how and when to
		intervals when		read slowly and
		reading.	Know how to gain a	carefully. Build
		Think about what	rapid overview of a	'thinking time' into
		they've read, re-read	text, e.g. by skimming	their reading,
		sections of texts	and scanning, and how	identifying questions
		carefully to find	and when to read	that they want
		'evidence' to support	slowly and carefully.	answered.
		their speculations	Build 'thinking time'	Summarise their
		and interpretation of	into their reading,	current
		characters and	identifying questions	understanding at
		events.	that they want	regular intervals
			answered.	when reading an
				extended text.
			Summarise their	
			current understanding	
			at regular intervals	
			when reading an	
			extended text.	

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Predict	To suggest how a story might end.	Use titles, covers and pictures of familiar texts to predict how the story will end.	Use titles, cover pages, pictures and opening sections of texts to predict the content of unfamiliar stories and non-fiction texts.	Make plausible predictions showing an understanding of the ideas, events or characters they are reading about.	Predict from what they have read or had read to them how incidents, events, ideas or topics will develop or be concluded	Use information about characters to make plausible predictions about their actions.	Learn to anticipate events based on their own experience, what has been read so far and knowledge of other similar texts. Discuss the plausibility of their predictions and the reason for them.	Make predictions, discussing the reasoning behind them, drawing on their knowledge of the world, from reading other similar texts and what they read earlier in the text. Compare their predictions with the events that occurred and consider why their predictions were accurate, plausible, or off the mark.
Explain	To describe main story settings, events and main principal characters with prompts or visual aids.	To sequence events in a familiar story and explain what has happened.	Discuss reasons why things happen in the texts they read or are read to them. Express their understanding orally, and use words, illustrations and given formats to record their understanding.	Discuss themes, plots, events and characters, comparing stories by the same and different authors. Compare the information given about topics in non- fiction texts.	Express ideas and give opinions about stories and poems, identifying specific words and phrases to support their ideas. Use simple graphics or illustrations to record and explain their understanding of information.	Understand and comment on ideas introduced in a passage or section they've read, drawing on evidence from the text to do so. Compare and contrast stories, justifying their preferences and opinions.	Contribute to a discussion where a group explore their understanding of a topic raised through reading. Discuss and comment on texts, and present their ideas in appropriate and helpful formats, including graphically.	Contribute constructively to a discussion about reading, responding to and building on the views of others. Comment critically, orally, in writing and using graphics where necessary to support them, on the impact of books they have read.

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Retrieval	Joins in	To discuss	Match events to					
	with	key events	characters in	Retrieve	Use different formats	Retrieve and collect	Use different formats to	Record details retrieved
	repeated	and	narrative and	information	to retrieve, record and	information from	capture, record and explain	from the text about
	frames and	principle	detail and	from a text and	explain information	different sources and	information about what they	characters, events and
	repeats	characters	information to	re-present it in	about what they have	re-present it in	have read, e.g. flow charts,	ideas, e.g. by making a
	key events	in a	objects or topics	a variety of	read in both fiction and	different forms, e.g.	for and against columns,	comparisons table, true or
	and	familiar	in non- fiction	forms including	non-fiction texts, e.g.	chart, poster,	matrices and charts of	false grid etc. Recognise
	phrases in	story.	texts.	by matching	flow charts, for and	diagram.	significant information.	different types of
	rhymes			and linking	against columns,			comprehension questions
	and	To follow a		information,	matrices and charts of	Answer questions on	Recognise different types	(retrieval/ inferential) and
	stories.	story		ordering,	significant information.	a text using different	of comprehension	know whether the
		without		tabulating and		formats (matching,	questions (retrieval/	information required for
		pictures of		copying.	Record their	ordering, tabulating,	inferential) and know	the answer will be
		props.			understanding of a text	etc.).	whether the information	explicitly stated or implied
				Use different	in different ways, using		required to answer will	in the text.
				formats	a range of formats.		be explicitly stated or	
				(matching,			implied in the text.	Vary the reading strategies
				ordering etc.) to				they use and mode of
				answer			Vary the reading strategies	answering according to
				questions on a			they use to answer	what is expected of them
				text.			questions, depending on the	by the question. Use
							different types asked.	confidently the different
								formats (matching,
							Answer questions by	ordering etc.) to answer
							explaining their ideas orally	questions on a text.
							and in writing, including	
							questions requiring open-	Answer questions by
							ended responses.	explaining their ideas orally
								and in writing.