

Reading Skill	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Reading for	I can enjoy a range of	I enjoy listening to a range	I enjoy listening to a range	I can enjoy listening to,	I can enjoy listening to,
Pleasure	books and can begin to	of stories, poems and non-	of stories, classic,	reading and discussing a	reading and discussing a
	explain why.	fiction read to me.	contemporary poetry and	wide range of fiction,	wide range of fiction,
Developed through:			non-fiction.	poetry, plays, nonfiction	poetry, plays, nonfiction
VIPERS	I enjoy rhyming and	I enjoy reading different		and reference books.	and reference books.
TTS	rhythmic activities	books and talking about	I choose to read different		
Reading for pleasure books		them.	books and enjoy sharing	I can discuss books	I can talk about books by a
	Talk through stories		them.	written by a familiar	familiar author and explain
		I am beginning to explain		author.	why I like or dislike them.
		what type of books I like	I am able to explain what		
		and dislike	type of books I like and	I can read a range of	I can read a range of
			dislike and why.	books, including fairy	books, including fairy
		VIPERS, Pleasure book and		stories, myths and legends,	stories, myths and legends,
		story time	VIPERS, Pleasure book and	and retelling some of these	and retelling some of these
			story time	orally with increasing	orally with increasing
				familiarity.	familiarity
				VIPERS and pleasure books	VIPERS and pleasure books

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Developing 'reading sense'	Nursery:	Check that a text makes	Check that the text makes	Checking that the text make	es sense to them, discussing
	✓ Know that print	sense to them as they read	sense to them as they read	their understanding and exp	laining the meaning of words
Developed through:	carries meaning and,	and to self-correct.	and to correct inaccurate	in context.	
VIPERS	in English, is read		reading.		
TTS	from left to right	Draw on what they already		Asking questions to improve	their understanding of a
1-1 reading time with	and top to bottom.	know or on background	Drawing on what they	text.	
volunteers, class teachers	Daily story time and books	information and vocabulary	already know or on		
and support staff.	within provision.	provided by the teacher.	background information and	Identifying main ideas draw	n from more than one
	Reception:		vocabulary provided by the	paragraph and summarising t	hese.
	✓ Read with growing	Explain clearly their	teacher		
	fluency texts linked	understanding of what is		VIPERS, reading with adults	
	to their ability and	read to them.	Checking that the text		
	that meet the ELG		makes sense to them as		
	by the end of	RWI sessions, VIPERS,	they read and correcting		
	Reception	reading with adults.	inaccurate reading		
	RWI sessions, books within				
	provision and decodable		VIPERS, reading with		
	book banding.		adults.		



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Reading words - decoding		commences in Year 1 once a w		RWI Spelling and VIPERS taught daily,	
	Year 2. Year begin RWI spell	ling once RWI phonics is comp	lete.		
In our school we teach	ELG: Recognise letters and	Read accurately and	Read accurately and	Use their phonic knowledge	Use their phonic
phonics using Read, Write	the sounds they make	fluently books that are	fluently without overt	to decode quickly and	knowledge to decode
Inc. We use RWI spelling to	Set 1 and 2 RWI	consistent with my phonic	sounding and blending with	accurately - may still need	quickly and accurately -may
learn to read and write		knowledge and re-read	a target of at least 90	support to read longer	still need support
spelling rules.	Use phonics to sound out	these books to build up my	words per minute.	unknown words.	to read longer unknown
opening raise.	and blend new words.	fluency and confidence in	Dood compataly by	Annly their enemine	words.
	Read simple sentences.	words reading.	Read accurately by blending, including	Apply their growing knowledge of root words	Apply knowledge of
	Redu simple sentences.	Use set 3 phonics to sound	alternative sounds for	and prefixes including in-	root words, prefixes
	30 to 50 months:	out and blend new words.	graphemes and read	,im-,il-,ir- ,dis-, mis-, un-	and suffixes to
	Show an awareness of	our and brond new wor as:	multisyllabic words	re-,sub-, inter-,super-,	understand new words
	rhyme and alliteration.	Read red words and words	containing these graphemes	anti-and auto-to begin to	
	,	with one or more syllable,		read aloud.	Read most/all Year 3/4
	Recognise rhythm in spoken	including common exception	Read 'red' words and words		common exception
	words.	words.	with two or more syllables	Apply their growing	words.
	Recognise rhythm in spoken		noting unusual	knowledge of root words	
	words.	Read multisyllabic words	correspondences.	and suffixes/word	
	40.40	containing taught	a	endings,including ation,-ly, -	
	40-60 months: Continue a	letter/sound	Check that the text makes	ous, -ture, - sure, -sion,-	
	rhyming string.	correspondences.	sense as I read and self- correct.	tion, -ssion and -cian, to	
	Hear and say the initial	Read common suffixes with	COTTECT.	begin to read aloud.*	
	sound in words.	-s,-es,-ing,-ed,-er and -est	Identify and read words	Read Year 3/4 common	
	South in words.	endings.	with common suffixes and	exception words	
	Segment the sounds in		common exception words.	'	
	simple words and blend	Read contractions (e.g. I'm,	·		
	them together and know	I'll, we'll) and understand			
	which letter represents	that the apostrophe stands			
	some of them.	for the missing letter.			
		Dood aloud a whatatically			
		Read aloud a phonetically decodable text			
		decoudine lext			



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Exploring Language/	Use vocabulary and	Identify and talk about	Identify new language	Use dictionaries to	Confidently use
Vocabulary	forms of speech that	meanings of words	and know how to find	check the meaning of	dictionaries to check
	are increasingly	linking meaning to	out what a new word	words I have read with	the meaning of words I
VIPERS LINK: V =	influenced by their	those they already	means,	support.	have read and
Vocabulary	experiences of books.	know.			thesaurus to find
			Talk about favourite	Discuss words and	words of similar
	Be able to tell oral	Find words with similar	words and phrases and	phrases that capture	meaning.
	stories to	Meanings.	identify within books,	the reader's interest	
	explain/explore		use in oral speech and	and imagination and	Check a text makes
	language.	VIPERS session and RWI sessions, reading for	writing.	begin to explain why.	sense using an understanding of the
	Extend vocabulary,	pleasure books	Begin to use	To begin to use the	words in context and
	especially by grouping		dictionaries to check	wider text to support	explain it.
	and naming, exploring		the meaning of words	understanding of topic	·
	the meaning and		with support and	specific vocabulary.	Discuss words and
	sounds of new word		discuss how this fits into a	,	phrases that capture
			text.	Check a text makes	the reader's interest
	Talk Through Stories, RWI			sense using an	and imagination and
	session		VIPERS, 1-1 reading,	understanding of the	begin to explain why.
			reading for pleasure books	words in context.	
					Within wider reading,
				VIPERS, 1-1 readers,	identify topic specific
				reading for pleasure books	vocabulary and explore
					the meaning.
					VIPERS, 1-1 readers,
					reading for pleasure books
					and class chapter books.



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Retrieving,	Tell others about	Sequence and retell the	Retell a range of stories,	Understand what the	Identifying main ideas
Recounting and	what I have read	events of a story they are	traditional tales and fairy	purpose of summarising is.	drawn from more than one
Summarising/	with growing	familiar with e.g. traditional	stories which shows a good	' '	paragraph and summarising
Sequencing	independence.	tales and fairy stories.	understanding of the	Understand what the	these.
	·	·	sequence of events.	purpose of summarising is.	
VIPERS LINK:	Play cooperatively as	Identify the beginning,			Retell a wide range of
R = retrieval	part of a group to	middle and end of a	Asking and answering	Identify and summarise	stories orally.
S= sequencing	develop and act out a	text/story.	retrieval questions.	main ideas in a text.	
(KS1)	narrative.				Retrieve and record
S = summarising		Talk about what I have read	Discuss the sequence of	Retell a wider range of	information from more than
(KS2)	Begin to retell	with others.	events in books and how	stories orally. E.g. fairy	one paragraph in a fiction
	familiar stories.		items of information are	stories, myths and legends.	text by beginning to skim
		Develop their knowledge of	related.		and scan.
	Describe main story	retrieval through images.		Retrieve and record	
	settings, events and		VIPERS session and reading	information from a fiction	VIPERS session and reading
	main characters.	Retell familiar stories orally	for pleasure books.	text.	for pleasure books.
		and sequence the events of			
	Follow a story	a story they are familiar		VIPERS session and reading	
	without pictures or	with.		for pleasure books.	
	props.				
		VIPERS session and RWI			
	Know that	sessions, reading for			
	information can be	pleasure books.			
	retrieved from books				
	and computers.				
	RWI sessions, reading for				
	pleasure books and TTS.				



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Making Inferences/ Predicting	Talk about what might happen in a book by	Find clues in a text based on	what has been said and done.	Infer a character's feelings, through their actions and into	
Fredicting	answering 'how' and 'why'	•	lues from the text/what they	Through Their actions and into	eractions with others.
VIPERS LINK: I = inference	questions.	have read so far and jus	stify your answers orally.	Justify inferences/prediction	ns with evidence.
P = predictions	Guess/suggest what might	Year 2: Discussing the si	gnificance of the title and	To ask and answer questions appropriately, including some	
E = explain	happen next and how a story might end.	Making inferences on the bo	ents. asis of what is being said and one.	simple inference questions based on characters' feelings thoughts and motives.	
	RWI sessions, reading for pleasure books and TTS.	Developing inference	though use of pictures	Make predictions based on every begin to explain how this supp	
		VIPERS session, RWI session and 1-1 reading.	ns, reading for pleasure books	VIPERS session, 1-1 reading a books.	and reading for pleasure

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Personal reflection on	Talk about books they like	Explain how the storyline	Give my opinion about a	Give my opinion on a story,	Draw on experiences from
reading	and explain	and pictures make me feel.	story, poem or nonfiction	poem or nonfiction text and	texts and begin to compare.
	why/demonstrating		text and begin to justify my	justify your reasoning using	
VIPERS LINK:	understanding.	VIPERS session, RWI	opinion.	evidence from the text.	
E = explain		sessions, reading for			Give my opinion on similar
	Understand humour, e.g.	pleasure books and 1-1	Explain and discuss their	Begin to identify how	themes and characters
VIPERS Link: Text to Text	nonsense rhymes, jokes.	reading.	understanding of books,	language, structure, and	across texts.
Text to Self which			poems and other material,	presentation contribute to	
encourages/supports	Reading for pleasure books		both those that they listen	meaning.	
children to compare texts	and TTS.		to and those that they read		VIPERS session, 1-1 reading
and refer to feelings about			for themselves.	VIPERS session, 1-1 reading	and reading for pleasure
texts.				and reading for pleasure	books.
			VIPERS session, reading for	books.	
			pleasure books and 1-1		
			reading.		

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Comparing/connecting texts.	Talk about books that are alike and why with increasing attention and	Identify similarities and differences between stories.	Discuss and share my opinions about different texts and listen to other	Compare texts that are structured in different ways.	Use evidence to justify my opinions when comparing.
VIPERS Link: Text to Text comparisons	recall.		people's views.		



encourages/supports	Listen to stories, accurately	Recognise and join in with	Become increasingly	Increasing their familiarity	Identify themes and
children to	anticipating key events and	predictable phrases.	familiar with and retelling a	with a wide range of books,	conventions used by
compare texts.	respond to what they hear	·	wider range of stories,	including fairy stories,	different authors.
·	with relevant comments,	Become very familiar with	fairy stories and traditional	myths and legends.	
	questions or actions.	key stories, fairy stories	tales.		Compare texts that are
	'	and traditional tales,		Compare books by the same	structured in different
	Demonstrate understanding	retelling them and	Recognising simple	and different authors.	ways.
	when talking with others	considering their particular	recurring literary language		
	about what they have read.	characteristics.	in stories and poetry	Reading books that are	Listening to and discussing
	· ·			structured in different	a wide range of fiction,
	Story time and talk through	VIPERS session, RWI	GD TAF: Make links	ways and reading for a	poetry, plays, non-fiction
	stories.	sessions and reading for	between the book they are	range of purposes.	and reference books or
		pleasure books.	reading and other books		textbooks.
			they have read.	Participate in discussion	
				about both books that are	Participate in discussion
			VIPERS session, reading for	read to them and those	about both books that are
			pleasure books and 1-1	they can read for	read to them and those
			reading.	themselves, taking turns	they can read for
				and listening to what others	themselves, taking turns
				say.	and listening to what others
				VIPERS session, reading for	say.
				pleasure books and 1-1	VIPERS session, reading for
				reading.	pleasure books and 1-1
					reading.

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Identifying features and conventions in texts.	Know the different parts of a book.	Recognise and join in with repeated patterns and phrases.	Identify a sequence of events in a book.	Identify common themes in a wide range of books.	Identify themes and conventions in a wide range of books.
VIPERS LINK: R = retrieval	Story time and talk through stories.	Name and explain different parts of a book. E.g. front cover, page, title, end	Identify and use the structure of nonfiction books.	Recognise different forms of poetry. Use the structure of a non-	Recognise different forms of poetry (narrative and free verse).
		papers, gutter	VIPERS session, 1-1 reading and reading for pleasure books.	fiction book to retrieve information.	



VIPERS session, RWI sessions and reading for pleasure books.	VIPERS session, reading for pleasure books and 1-1 reading.	Understand how language, structure and presentation adds meaning to the text.
		VIPERS session, reading for pleasure books and 1-1 reading.

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Non Fiction	Talk about what I liked and did not like in the books I read and share.	Discuss features and layout of non-fiction text.	Introduce non-fiction books that are structured in different ways.	Discuss features and layout of non-fiction text and compare to fiction. Retrieve and record information from non-fiction wincreasing understanding of how the structure of t supports retrieval.	
	Story time and talk through stories.	Books based on subjects.	Understand what the purpose of a nonfiction		
			book is. Books based on subjects, writing stimulus books.	Books based on subjects, wi	riting stimulus books.

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Poetry and Performance	Join in with rhymes and stories that I know.	Learning to appreciate rhymes and poems, and to recite some by heart.	Continuing to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating	Preparing poems and play scripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action.	
Year 1-4 use a poem for a week as part of their VIPERS session.	Express themselves effectively, showing awareness of listeners' needs.	Use actions to learn simple texts off by heart.	these and reciting some, with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear.	Recognising some different forms of poetry.	