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- What do you think is happening here? Why?
- Who is telling this story?

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 Why?
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Prediction Questions

- Can you think of another story with a similar theme? How do their plots differ?
- Which stories have openings like this? Do you think that this story will develop the same way?
- Why did the author choose this setting? Will that influence the story?

Explanation questions

- What is similar/different about two characters? Did the author intend that?
- Explain why... didthat.
- Describe different characters' reactions to the same event.
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- What do you think the author meant by...?

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- · What might this mean?

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- Can you find a noun/adjective/verb that tells/shows youthat...?
- Why do you think that the author used the word... to describe...?
- Which other word on this page means the same as...?
- Find an adjective in the text which describes...

Retrieval Questions

- Who is/are the maincharacter(s)?
- When/where is this story set? How do you know?
- Which is your favourite/worst/funniest/ scariest part of the story? Why?
- Tell me three facts you have learned from the text.
- Find the partwhere...

Summarising Questions

- What happens in the story's opening?
- How/where does the story start?
- What happened at the end of the...?
- What is the dilemma in this story? How is itresolved?
- Can you retell the story to me in 20 words or less?

Inference Questions

- What do you think.... means? Why do you think that?
- Why do youthink...?
- How do youthink....?
- When do youthink...?
- Where do youthink...?
- How has the author made us think that...?

Prediction Questions

- Where do you think.... will go next?
- What do you think... will say/do next?
- What do you think this book will be about?
 Why?
- How do you think that this will end? What makes you say that?
- Who do you think has done it?
- What might.... say about that?

Explanation Questions

- What is similar/different about two characters?
- Explain why... didthat..
- Is this as good as...?
- Which is better and why?
- Does the picture help us? How?
- What would you do if you were...?

Vocabulary Questions

- What does the word mean in this sentence?
- Find and copy a word which means
- Which word in do you think is the most important? Why?
- Which of the words best describes the character or setting?

Retrieval Questions

- Who is your favourite character
- Why do you think all the main characters are girls in this book?
- Would you like to live in this setting?Why/why not?
- Who is/are the main character(s)?
- · When/where is this story set?
- Which is your favourite/worst/ funniest/scariest part of the story?

Summarising Questions

- What happens in the beginning of the story?
- How/where does the story start?
- What happened at the end
- of the....
- Can you retell the story to
- me in 20 words or less?
- What happened before that?

Inference Questions

- What do you think....means?
- Why do you think that?
- How do you think...?
- When do you think...?
- Where do you think. ?
- How does make you feel?
- Why did happen?

Prediction Questions

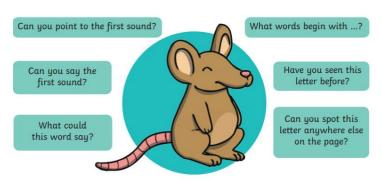
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Word Reading Skills

- If you can't read a word, say:
- Can you break it up?
- AAre there any sounds you know?
- DDo you know a word that looks like it?
- What could it say?

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Word questions



Prediction questions

Can you look at the pictures?

Can you point to the ...?

Can you tell me about the picture?

What characters can you see?

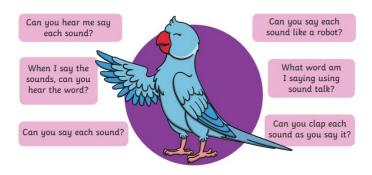


What are they doing?

What do you think is happening?

What do you think will happen next?

Phonic questions



Expression questions

Listen to my voice. How is the character feeling?

How do you know?

How can you make the character sound happy/ excited/scared?

How do you sound when you are happy/ excited/scared?



Why does it make the story better?

How can I change my voice if I spot a question mark?

How can I change my voice if I spot an exclamation mark?

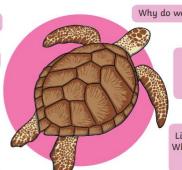
Punctuation questions



Can you point to a ...?

What do we need to do when we see it?

Can you pause when you get to it?



Why do we need to pause?

How would it sound if we didn't pause?

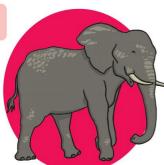
Listen to me read. What do I do when I reach the...?

Have you heard this story before?

Can you remember what the character says?

Tell me about this story?

Retrieval questions



What can you remember?

Does this word look like another word you know?

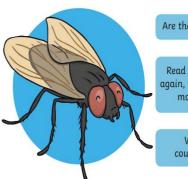
Have you seen this word before?

Inference questions

Can you read the words before this word again?

What word would make sense?

What word would you put next?



Are there any clues?

Read the sentence again, does the word make sense?

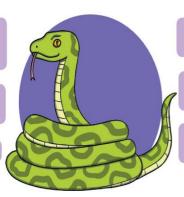
What else could you try?

Blending questions

Can you say all of the sounds in this word?

Can you blend them together?

What can you hear?



Can you say the sounds quickly?

What word could it be?

Can you say the sounds again?