



KEY STAGE 2 READING WORKSHOP

WEDNESDAY 11TH JANUARY

2023



The Importance of Reading in KS2



- ▶ Most children are able to read by the time they enter Year 3 - it is now our responsibility to make sure they develop as 'readers'. (We will still continue to support those who still need to master the basics of reading).
- ▶ Evidence suggests that children who read for enjoyment every day not only perform better in reading tests than those who don't, but also develop a broader vocabulary, increased general knowledge and a better understanding of other cultures.
- ▶ As global learning company Pearson says, "Reading for pleasure is more likely to determine whether a child does well at school than their social or economic background".
- ▶ The UK government's Education Research Standards Team tells us, "Evidence suggests that there is a positive relationship between reading frequency, reading enjoyment and attainment."

How do we monitor reading at Cardinal Newman?

- ▶ We use a system called Accelerated Reader to monitor reading.
- ▶ At the start of each term all pupils in KS2 complete a STAR READING test to determine their reading age/ ZPD range - the range of books from which they can choose books from. All books in the library and thousands of others have been graded to help us find books at an appropriate reading level for your children.
- ▶ The children then read a book and once completed do an accelerated reader quiz of between 5 -10 questions. This helps us to monitor how successfully they have read the book and gives them points to help motivate them.
- ▶ As the children gain reading points they move through different stages as a reader : ready reader, independent reader, rising reader super reader, advanced reader, star reader, classic reader, honours reader.
- ▶ Certificates are awarded for each stage and we are delighted to inform you that every Key Stage 2 child achieved their first certificate by the end of last term. Some progressed much further.





Accelerated Reader

► Example of AR questions

One morning as the others woke up, Elmer ---.

- A sang songs
- B did a rain dance
- C slipped away
- D took a mud bath

Before her visit to the local history museum, Daria had never thought about the people who had built her town. She thought of people who had paved the road she travelled on every day, and others who had laid the very foundations of the city. Daria benefited from their work every day. She now understood what people meant by wanting to give something back to the community.

What is the theme of this passage?

- 1 appreciation for one's community
- 2 not having to work hard
- 3 supporting museums with donations

Finding Books on Accelerated Reader

- ▶ If you want to buy a book for your child/ have books at home / want to visit the library you can check whether it is within your child's range using the accelerated reader bookfinder.

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Accelerated Reader Bookfinder™

United Kingdom & Ireland

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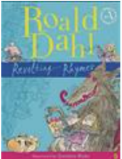
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- ▶ <https://www.arbookfind.co.uk/>

 **Roald Dahl's Revolting Rhymes**

Dahl, Roald
AR Quiz No. 216096 EN Fiction
IL: **MY** - BL: **4.4** - AR Pts: **1.0**
AR Quiz Types: **RP**
Rating: ★★★★★

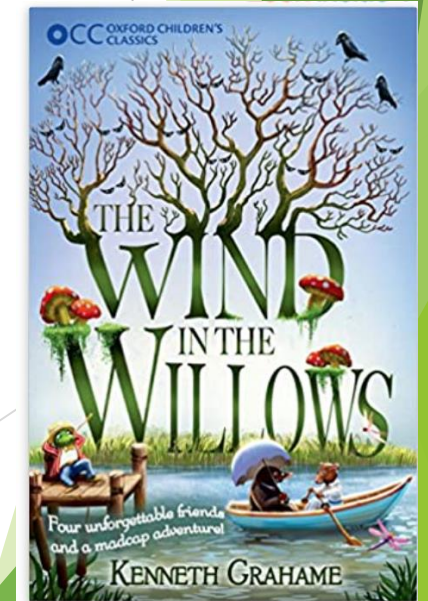
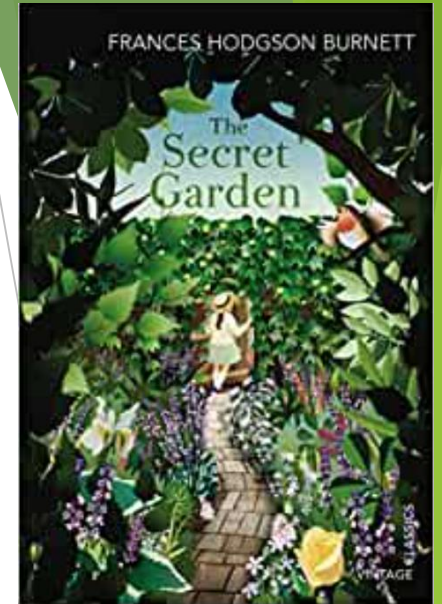
A humorous retelling in verse of six well-known known fairy tales featuring surprise endings in place of the traditional happily-ever-after.

Images of our library and graded books



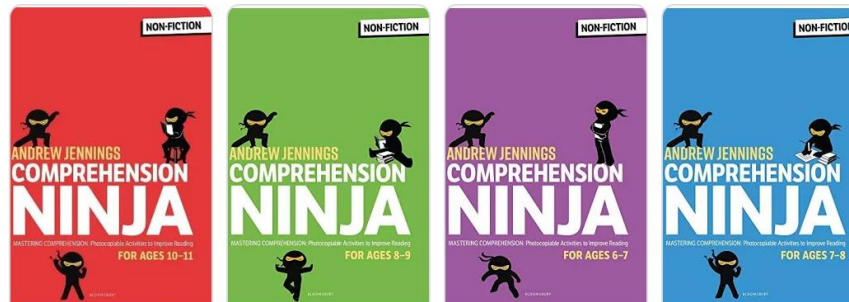
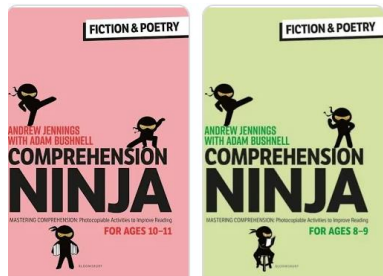
Encouraging children to stretch themselves as readers

- ▶ Our aim is to foster a love of reading in all our children.
- ▶ However we are aware some children may say they don't enjoy reading or always opt for the easiest option.
- ▶ We encourage children to opt for a range of reading material - they need a balanced reading diet if they are to develop their reading skills /vocabulary - for example reading a Diary of a Wimpy Kid once in a while is ok but not all the time.
- ▶ We choose class texts which most children in the class haven't read to try to broaden their reading diet further.



Daily Reading Teaching

- ▶ In order to develop our pupils reading further we have reorganised our timetable to make more time for reading.
- ▶ All pupils work on a different text each week at the start of the day exploring vocabulary and developing comprehension skills.
- ▶ This may include: looking at meaning of words, finding synonyms and antonyms, deciding whether a point is fact or opinion, sequencing parts of stories.
- ▶ We use Comprehension Ninja to support us with this as texts as it includes both fiction and non-fiction texts.



Assessment at the end of Key Stage 2

- ▶ Reading attainment and progress is monitored/ assessed throughout Key stage 2 by class teachers and interventions are put into place for those pupils not making the expected progress.
- ▶ At the end of Year 6 children's reading is assessed as part of their SATS assessments. This determines whether or not the child has made the government's expected attainment for 11 year old or not and is reported in the national media.
- ▶ Our Year 6 attainment has always been significantly above the national data for reading but we are not complacent and it is our aim to enable all children to reach the expected outcome.

2022 national curriculum tests

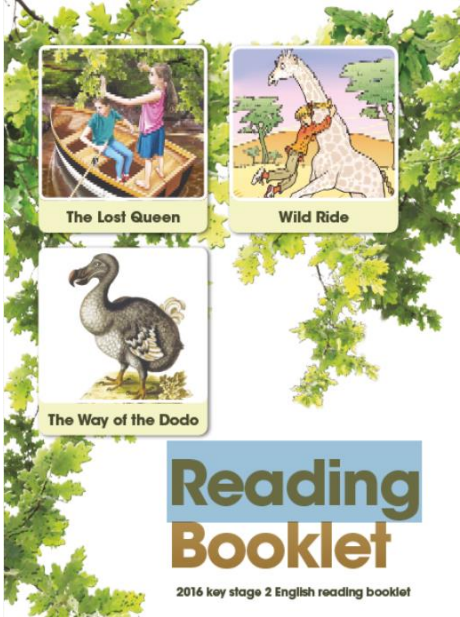
Key stage 2

English reading

Reading answer booklet

First name					
Middle name					
Last name					
Date of birth	Day		Month		Year
School name					
DfE number					

Year 6 Reading Assessment



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She came. And I still **vividly recall**...

What do the words *vividly recall* mean?

2 marks

38

Look at page 10.

What impressions do you get of Em Sharp at this point in the extract?

Give **two** impressions, using evidence from the text to support your answer.

Impression	Evidence

3 marks

15

Using information from the text, tick one box in each row to show whether each statement is a **fact** or an **opinion**.

	Fact	Opinion
Giant pandas are fascinating animals.		
Giant pandas' main food in the wild is bamboo.		
Giant panda cubs weigh about 150g when born.		

1 mark

5

Number these facts about the life of the giant panda cub from 1–5 in the order in which they happen.

The first one has been done for you.

- A cub eats bamboo for the first time. 1
- A cub leaves its mother.
- A cub develops black spots.
- A cub weighs 31 to 36 kilograms.
- A cub weighs about the same as an apple.

1 mark

2

According to some scientists, how does giant pandas' fur help them to survive in the wild?

1 mark

3

Look at page 4.

Pandas *can grow up to 1.5 metres and weigh up to 150 kilograms*.

What else in the text tells us that giant pandas could be dangerous animals?

1 mark

How can parents help their child with reading

- ▶ Promote reading at home. Let your child see you reading and make time for reading each day.
- ▶ Continue to read to your child - this will enable them to share stories that were perhaps your favourites as a child or are not within their ZPD range
- ▶ Listen to them read / discuss their reading with them - make sure they are really reading!
- ▶ Visit the library and encourage children to broaden their reading habits.



Some prompts when reading at home

- Are they reading in an expressive way or is their reading rather flat and mechanical?
- Are they using punctuation to help them to read e.g. pausing at commas and full stops, lifting their voice for a question mark?
- Are they using expression to make the meaning clear?
- How are they reading when characters speak?

Suggest that you take it in turns to each read a page. When it's your turn, think about the points above so that you can model how to read aloud so that it's interesting for the listener.

You can build your child's comprehension – their ability to understand what they are reading – by talking to them. In a story you can talk about events, about the characters and about where and when the story is set. Think about this as having a chat about the book, one reader to another, rather than an interrogation.

So, ask questions that encourage your child to predict what they think might happen and to reflect on what has happened already. Keep these questions open – in other words, ask questions that don't require a yes/no answer. For example, if you ask '*How did you feel when ...?*' you are more likely to get a fuller, more reflective answer than asking '*Did you like it when ...?*'.

Ask about their favourite characters and how the characters change in the story. Ask how they think they would have felt or reacted if they were that character in that situation. Encourage them to give reasons for their answers.

You can invite them to 'jump into' the book: to put themselves into a situation and explore what they can see, what they can hear, what they can smell and how they might feel.

You can also use the following prompts to help with your book chat:

- Tell me what you liked about the book*
- Tell me about something you didn't like*
- Tell me about something that puzzled you or that you didn't understand*
- Tell me about something that this book made you think about or reminded you of*

There are no right or wrong answers to these prompts so you can then respond to your child's thoughts with your own ideas.

Any Questions

- ▶ Reading lists
- ▶ <https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/category/reading-lists-for-ks2-school-pupils/>
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