Year 6 Reading Knowledge and Skills Progression

Word Reading		
Phonics and Decoding	Fluency	
To read fluently with full knowledge of all Y5/ Y6 exception words, root words, prefixes, suffixes/word endings and to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill, recognising their meaning through contextual cues.	At this stage, teaching comprehension skills should be taking precedence over teaching word reading and fluency specifically. Any focus on word reading should support the development of vocabulary and additional support delivered for specific pupils who need to improve fluency.	
Common Exception Words: To read most Y5/Y6 exception words, discussing he unusual correspondences between spelling and		
sound and where these occur in the word.		

	Key Reading Skills	Suggested question stems for whole class reading
Vocabulary	 Evaluate how the authors' use of language impacts upon the reader Find examples of figurative language and how this impacts the reader and contributes to meaning or mood. Discuss how presentation and structure contribute to meaning. Explore the meaning of words in context by 'reading around the word' and independently explore its meaning in the broader context of a section or paragraph. 	 What does this word/phrase/sentence tell you about the character/setting/mood? By writing, what effect has the author created? Do you think they intended to? Can you find examples of simile, metaphor, hyperbole or personification in the text? Why has the text been organised in this way? Would you have done it differently? What other words/phrases could the author have used here? Why? How has the author made you/this character feel by writing? Why?

Inference	 Drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence. Discuss how characters change and develop through texts by drawing inferences based on indirect clues. Make inferences about events, feelings, states backing these up with evidence. Infer characters' feelings, thoughts and motives, giving more than one piece of evidence to support each point made. They can draw evidence from different places 	 What do you think means? Why do you think that? Could it be anything else? I think; do you agree? Why/why not? Why do you think the author decided to? Can you explain why? What do these words mean and why do you think that the author chose them? How do other people's descriptions ofshow that? Where else in the text can we find the answer to this question?
Prediction	 across the text Predicting what might happen from details stated and implied Support predictions by using relevant evidence from the text Confirm and modify predictions in light of new information. 	 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	 Provide increasingly reasoned justification for my views Recommend books for peers in detail Give reasons for authorial choices Begin to challenge points of view Begin to distinguish between fact and opinion Identifying how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning Discuss and evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader Explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read, including through formal presentations and debates. Distinguish between fact, opinion and bias explaining how they know this. 	 What is similar/different about two characters? Did the author intend that? Explain why did that. Describe different characters' reactions to the same event. Does this story have a moral? Which is better and why? Can you identify where the author has shown bias towards a particular character? Is it fact or is it opinion? How do you know? How does the author make you feel at this point in the story? Why did they do that? Can you explain it in a different way?

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	 Children confidently skim and scan, and also use the skill 	Find the in this text. Is it anywhere else?
	of reading before and after to retrieve information. *They	 Can you skim the next and find me the answer to?
	use evidence from across whole chapters or texts	When/where is this story set? Find evidence in the text.
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\geq	 Read a broader range of texts including myths, legends, 	Find the part of the story that best describes the setting.
Ľ	stories from other cultures, modern fiction, plays, poetry	What do you think is happening here? Why?
Retrieval	and archaic texts.	Who is telling this story?
<u>~</u>	Retrieve, record and present information from a wide	What genre is?
	variety of non-fiction texts.	Can you look at these other texts and find me what is
	Ask my own questions and follow a line of enquiry.	similar and what is different?
	Summarise information from across a text and link	What is the main point of the text?
	information by analysing and evaluating ideas between	Can you look in this paragraph? What does the author
g	sections of the text.	mean? Is it mentioned anywhere else?
Si	Summarising the main ideas drawn from more than one	Sum up what has happened so far in words/seconds or
ıarising	paragraph, identifying key details to support the main	less.
Ε	ideas	Can you read the text and summarise what has
Sum	 Make comparisons across different books. 	happened?
SL	Summarise entire texts, in addition to chapters or	Which is the most important point in these paragraphs?
	paragraphs, using a limited amount of words or	Why?
	paragraphs.	Do any sections/paragraphs deal with the same themes?