

Nursery, Reception and Key Stage 1

Read, Write, Inc!

At Masefield we believe that reading is crucial to our children accessing the curriculum and that it is a vital life skill. We know that confident readers can access a wide range of life experiences and enjoy a breadth of genres. Reading allows individuals to acquire knowledge, find out what's going on, achieve and enjoy themselves!

Through our whole school approaches to reading we aim to: make our students competent in the skill of reading and understanding what they have read and empower our students to love and appreciate reading for life.

Important things to remember:

Your child should read at least five times per week;

- •You should read to your child as well as listening to them read;
- Read with expression;
- •Encourage your child to persevere with a text;
- •Question your child as you listen to them read – have your child explain their understanding of the text;
- •Discuss the what makes a 'good reader' with your child, using the prompts on your child's school bookmark;
- •Foster a love and passion for reading within your child.

Nursery and Reception

- Picture book of the child's choice (Nursery & Reception)
- Reading book (Reception)
- •Reading record (Nursery & Reception)
- •Sound cards that we have learnt that week (Autumn 1, Reception)

Year 1

- Picture book of the child's choice
- •Paper Reading book this is the book your child is reading in their phonics group
- •Book bag book (this links to the paper reading book)
- Reading record
- Spellings

Year 2

- •Picture book of the child's choice (at the end of each half term only)
- •Paper Reading book this is the book your child is reading in their phonics group (includes Reading Tree/Library Book)
- •Book bag book (this links to the paper reading book)
- Reading Record
- Spellings (Spelling Shed materials)

Questions to ask when reading with your child

Remember to choose the questions that best fit the type of book you're reading.

- 1. What is the title?
- 2. Why do you think the author chose this title?
- 3. What is the setting (where and when the story happens)?
- 4. What adjectives can you use to describe the setting?
- 5. Does it remind you of any places you've been to?
- 6. Why do you think the author chose this setting?
- 7. Who are the characters in the story?
- 8. Which words can you use to describe the main character/s?
- 9. What sort of person is the character? How do you know?
- 10. Do you agree with the choices the character makes in the story? Why or why not? What would you have done?
- 11. What is the story about?
- 12. Describe in your own words what has happened so far in the story?
- 13. What do you think will happen next?
- 14. Find three facts about...
- 15. How does (character) feel when (something happens)?
- 16. What words tell you that (character) is feeling that way?
- 17. Why do you think (character) did that?
- 18. What choice would you have made?
- 19. What do you think the author meant when he said...?
- 20. How do you know (characters) are friends/ enemies?
- 21. Why do you think the author chose to use this picture?
- 22. Is this story fiction or non-fiction? (Year 2) How do you know?
- 23. Why did the author choose to use a question on this page?
- 24. Can you find any speech marks?
- 25. Can you find any punctuation other than commas and full stops?
- 26. Why do you think the author chose the word...?
- 27. Can you find any feeling words?
- 28. Can you find any adverbs?
- 29. Can you find any time words?
- 30. Find the first word in the paragraph: why do you think the author opened the paragraph with that word?
- 31. Who is your favourite character? Why?
- 32. Did you enjoy the story? Why?
- 33. How does that sentence/ paragraph make you feel?
- 34. Can you think of a different way to end the story? Which way is better? Why?
- 35. If you could ask the author 3 questions about the book, what would you ask?
- 36. If you could be any of the characters, who would you be?
- 37. Would you recommend this book to your friends?







