



# Year 2 Reading



By the end of Year 2 pupils should be able to:

## Word Reading

- continue to apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words until automatic decoding has become embedded and reading is fluent
- read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain the graphemes taught so far, especially recognising alternative sounds for graphemes
- read accurately words of two or more syllables that contain the same graphemes
- read words containing common suffixes
- read further common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur in the word
- read most words quickly and accurately, without overt sounding and blending, when they have been frequently encountered
- read aloud books closely matched to their improving phonic knowledge, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, automatically and without undue hesitation
- re-read these books to build up their fluency and confidence in word reading.

## Comprehension

Pupils will be taught to:

- develop pleasure in reading, motivation to read, vocabulary and understanding by:
  - listen to, discuss and express views about a wide range of contemporary and classic poetry, stories and non-fiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently
  - discuss the sequence of events in books and how items of information are related
  - become increasingly familiar with and retelling a wider range of stories, fairy stories and traditional tales
  - be introduced to non-fiction books that are structured in different ways
  - recognise simple recurring literary language in stories and poetry
  - discuss and clarify the meanings of words, linking new meanings to known vocabulary
  - discuss their favourite words and phrases
- continue to build up a repertoire of poems learnt by heart, appreciating these and reciting some, with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear
- understand both the books that they can already read accurately and fluently and those that they listen to by:
  - draw on what they already know or on background information and vocabulary provided by the teacher
  - check that the text makes sense to them as they read and correcting inaccurate reading

- make inferences on the basis of what is being said and done
- answer and ask questions
- predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far
- participate in discussion about books, poems and other works that are read to them and those that they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what others say
- explain and discuss their understanding of books, poems and other material, both those that they listen to and those that they read for themselves.