English Key Learning in Reading: Year 3

Word Reading

As above and:

- Read books at an age appropriate interest level.
- Use knowledge of root words to understand meanings of words.
- Use prefixes to understand meanings e.g. un-, dis-, mis-, re-, pre-, im-, in-.
- Use suffixes to understand meanings e.g. -ly, -ous.
- Read and understand words from the Year 3 list (selected from the statutory Year 3/4 word list) - see below.

Comprehension

As above and:

Developing pleasure in reading and motivation to read

- Listen to and discuss a range of fiction, poetry, plays and non-fiction, e.g. fables, fairy tales, classic poetry, shape poetry, non-chronological reports, explanations.
- ▶ Regularly listen to whole novels read aloud by the teacher.
- ▶ Read a range of non-fiction texts, e.g. information, discussion, explanation, biography and persuasion.
- ▶ Read books and texts for a range of purposes e.g. enjoyment, research, skills development, reference.
- Recognise some different forms of poetry e.g. narrative, calligrams, shape poems.
- Sequence and discuss the main events in stories.
- ▶ Orally retell a range of stories, including less familiar fairy stories, fables and folk tales e.g. Grimm's Fairy Tales.
- ldentify and discuss themes e.g. good over evil, weak and strong, wise and foolish, mean and generous, rich and poor.
- ▶ Identify and discuss conventions e.g. numbers three and seven in fairy tales, magical sentence repeated several times.
- Prepare poems and play scripts to read aloud, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action.

Understanding the text

- ▶ Identify, discuss and collect favourite words and phrases which capture the reader's interest and imagination.
- Explain the meaning of unfamiliar words by using the context.
- ▶ Use dictionaries to check meanings of words they have read.
- Use intonation, tone and volume when reading aloud.
- ▶ Take note of punctuation when reading aloud.
- Discuss their understanding of the text.
- ▶ Raise questions during the reading process to deepen understanding e.g. *I wonder why the character*.
- Draw inferences around characters thoughts, feelings and actions, and justify with evidence from the text.
- Make predictions based on details stated.
- Justify responses to the text using the PE prompt (Point + Evidence).
- Discuss the purpose of paragraphs.
- ldentify a key idea in a paragraph.
- Analyse and evaluate texts looking at language, structure and presentation e.g. persuasive letter, diary and calligram etc.

Retrieving and recording information from non-fiction

- Prepare for research by identifying what is already known about the subject and key questions to structure the task.
- ▶ Evaluate how specific information is organised within a non-fiction text e.g. text boxes, contents, bullet points, glossary, diagrams.
- Quickly appraise a text to evaluate usefulness.
- Navigate texts in print and on screen.
- ▶ Record information from a range of non-fiction texts.

Participating in discussion

- Participate in discussion about what is read to them and books they have read independently.
- Develop and agree on rules for effective discussion.
- ▶ Take turns and listen to what others say.
- Make and respond to contributions in a variety of group situations e.g. whole class, pairs, quided groups, book circles.

English Key Learning in Reading: Year 3 – Word List



Year 3							
accident(ally)	century	February	length	popular	strange		
actual(ly)	circle	forward(s)	library	potatoes	thought		
address	decide	fruit	minute	promise	through		
answer	describe	heard	naughty	purpose	weight		
arrive	early	heart	notice	quarter	woman/women		
believe	earth	height	occasion(ally)	question			
bicycle	eight/eighth	history	often	reign			
centre	enough	learn	perhaps	sentence			

Year 4							
appear	continue	grammar	material	possible	suppose		
breadth	different	group	medicine	pressure	surprise		
breathe	difficult	guard	mention	probably	therefore		
build	disappear	guide	natural	recent	though/although		
busy/business	exercise	imagine	opposite	regular			
calendar	experience	important	ordinary	remember			
caught	experiment	increase	particular	separate			
certain	extreme	interest	peculiar	special			
complete	famous	island	position	straight			
consider	favourite	knowledge	possess(ion)	strength			