



Key stage 1 Reading question examples

Before reading

- Can you point to the title? or What is this? (pointing to the title)
- What do you think this story will be about? What might happen in the story?
- What do we call the writing on the back of the book? (Blurb) or What does the blurb tell us?

During reading

- What is happening in the pictures? What has happened so far? Is it what you expected to happen?
- What might happen next? How do you think the story might end?
- What sort of character is....? Is he/she friendly/ mean/ nice...?

After reading

- Did you like this book? Why? (Encourage children to develop their opinion about books by encouraging them to explain their reasons)
- What was your favourite part? Why?
- What was the most interesting/ exciting part of the book? Can you find it?
- What sort of character was....?
- Why did that character do ... (give a situation/ event from the story)?
- What happened in the story

Key stage 2 Reading question examples

Before reading

- What clues does the title give you about the text?
- Is this a true or imaginary story?
- Why are you reading this?
- What do you already know about ____?
- What predictions can you make?
- What questions do you have?

During reading

- What do you understand from what you've just read?
- What is the main idea?
- What picture is the author painting in your head?
- Do you need to reread so that you understand?
- What does _____ mean?
- Why is _____ a good word to use?
- What questions have been answered?

After reading

- Which of your predictions were right? What information from the text tells you that you are correct?
- What were the main ideas?
- What connections can you make to the text?
- How do you feel about it? Why do you feel this way?
- What does the author make you feel about a character or setting? How did they do this?