



## Questions to ask your child when reading – Key Stage 1

### Before reading the book:

- Can you point to the title? or What is this? (pointing to the title)
- Who is the author? illustrator? What do they do?
- 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?

Is it fiction or non-fiction?

Non-fiction: Can you use the contents page to find information about \_\_\_?

Do you know what the glossary is used for and where to find it?

### During the reading of the book:

- 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 does that word mean?
- What sort of character is....?
- Is he/she friendly/ mean/nice...?
- How does the character feel? Why? How would you feel?

Non-fiction: Can you find the meaning of \_\_\_\_\_ in the glossary?

Can you find a sub-heading/ heading/ title/ caption?

Can you think of your own caption for the picture/ diagram?

### At the end of the book:

- 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? Can you think of a different ending to the story?
- Is there a hidden message in the story?
- Retell the story in your own words.

### Non-fiction:

What was your favourite fact?

Would you like to research more about \_\_\_\_\_? How would you do this?

What new words have you learnt?

