



Questions to ask your child when reading – Lower Key Stage 2

Before reading the book:

- What do you think this story will be about?
- What might happen in the story?
- What genre will this story be? E.g. fantasy, comedy, horror.
- What do we call the writing on the back of the book?

(Blurb) or What does the blurb tell us?

Non-fiction:

How would you find information about ____?
(contents page)

During the reading of the book:

What has happened so far?

Is it what you expected to happen?

What might happen next?

How do you think the story might end?

Who is your favourite character? Why?

Who is the character you like least? Why?

Find 2 sentences, which describe the setting.

How is the character feeling? Give evidence of this from the text.

What was the character's motives?

Is the plot fast or slow moving? Find some evidence in the text, which supports your view.

Do you have any questions about what you have just read?

What does ____ imply about the character/ what will happen next?

What does this paragraph tell us about the character/ event/ book/ author?

What does (choose word) mean? Can you think of a synonym for that word?

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At the end of the book:

Which part of the story is your favourite / least favourite? Why?

Would you change any part of the story?
How?

Would you change any of the characters?
How?

Which part of the story was the funniest, scariest, saddest, and happiest? Find some evidence in the text to support your opinion.

•Would you like to read another book by this author? Why?

•Does your opinion of this character change during the story? How? Why?

If you met one of the characters from the story, what would you say to him / her?

Find 2 things the author wrote about this character that made him / her likeable or unlikeable?

Does this book remind you of another book you know? Does it remind you of something you've experienced in real life?

Non-fiction:

Can you find out more information about ____? How are you going to do it? How would you record your research?

