Year 5

| Word Reading | Comprehension |
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| Apply their increasing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes appropriate | Continue to read and discuss an increasingly wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, |
| to year 5 [see writing ladders], both to read aloud and to understand the meaning | non-fiction and reference books or textbooks. |
| of new words that they meet. | |
| | Read books that are structured in different ways and for different purposes. |
| | Increase their familiarity with a wide range of books. |
| | Recommend books that they have read to their peers. |
| | Identify and discuss themes and conventions across a range of writing. |
| | Make simple comparisons within and across books. |
| | Learn an increasing range of poetry by heart. |
| | Prepare poems and plays to read aloud, showing understanding through tone and |
| | volume so that the meaning is made clearer to the audience. |
| | Check that the book makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and |
| | exploring the meaning of words. |
| | Ask questions to improve their understanding. |
| | Draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from |
| | their actions. |
| | Predict what might happen from details stated and implied. |
| | Simply summarise the main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph, |
| | identifying key details. |
| | Identifying how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning. |
| | Discuss and evaluate how authors use language considering the impact on the |
| | reader. |
| | Know the difference between a fact and an opinion. |
| | Retrieve and record information from non-fiction. |
| | Participate in discussions about books that are read to them and those they can |
| | read for themselves, building on their own and others' ideas. |
| | Explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read, including through |
| | formal presentations and debates, maintaining a focus on the topic and using notes |
| | where necessary. |
| | Provide simple justifications for their views. |