

READING WITH YOUR CHILD IN KEYSTAGE 2



A Guide for parents

Listed within this booklet are some examples of comments which may help support you when writing in your child's Individual Reading Record.

- When hearing your child read, the golden rules are :
- Be Positive - reading should be a lovely, fun experience
- Be Specific - what did the child do well that should be praised?
 - Be helpful - what is the next step for that child?
- Be understanding - if your child is reluctant to read, try another time of day instead.

Happy reading everyone!



Comments regarding 'WORD SKILLS'

- Read familiar words independently
- Found some new words difficult to decode
- Tried hard to work out new words such as ...
- Needs to practice again to reinforce the words.
- Self-corrected own errors independently.
- He/she made a number of errors such as ...
- Able to read the book with lots of help.



Comments regarding 'FLUENCY'

- Read the book fluently as though having a conversation
- Reading is sounding robotic and stilted.
- Sometimes ignores punctuation when reading.
- Did not pause at full stops.
- Is beginning to add expression when reading, such as for characters
- Wonderful to hear- so much expression.
- Reads with expression and really engages the listener
- Used a loud voice for words in capital letters.

Comments regarding 'COMPREHENSION SKILLS'

- Understood the story/ chapter well.
- Good discussion about events in the story.
- Retold the section in detail.
- Able to predict what might happen next.
- Could talk about the story confidently.
- Could discuss the characters in the book.
- Answered questions about the content of the book.
- Needs to read again to improve understanding.
- Needed lots of help to understand the main events.
- Did not understand what they read.
- Understood the meaning of the word and when questioned
- We discussed the meaning of the words



Comments regarding 'ATTITUDE TO READING'

- Enjoyed the story because
- Was excited and motivated to read
- Has learnt all about..... and could explain in own words.
- Struggled to concentrate tonight.
- Was reluctant to read tonight.
- Found the book challenging to read because ...
- Is enjoying reading other books at home such as ...
- Talked about other books by the same author
- They made a link between this book and another book ...