



SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH READING

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AIMS OF THIS SESSION:

- WHY IS READING SO IMPORTANT?
- HOW DO WE TEACH READING AT SCHOOL?
- HOW DO WE ENCOURAGE READING FOR PLEASURE?
- HOW CAN YOU HELP YOUR CHILD WITH THEIR READING AT HOME?

WHY IS READING SO IMPORTANT?

- **STUDIES SHOW THAT READING REGULARLY FOR PLEASURE MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE TO CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL PERFORMANCE.**
- **IT HELPS THEM TO ACCESS ALL OF THE CURRICULUM, PARTICULARLY AS THEY MOVE THROUGH THEIR SCHOOL LIFE.**
- **IT BUILDS VOCABULARY.**
- **IT DEVELOPS LANGUAGE SKILLS.**
- **IT DEVELOPS IMAGINATION THAT THEY CAN USE IN THEIR WRITING.**
- **IT'S ENJOYABLE!**

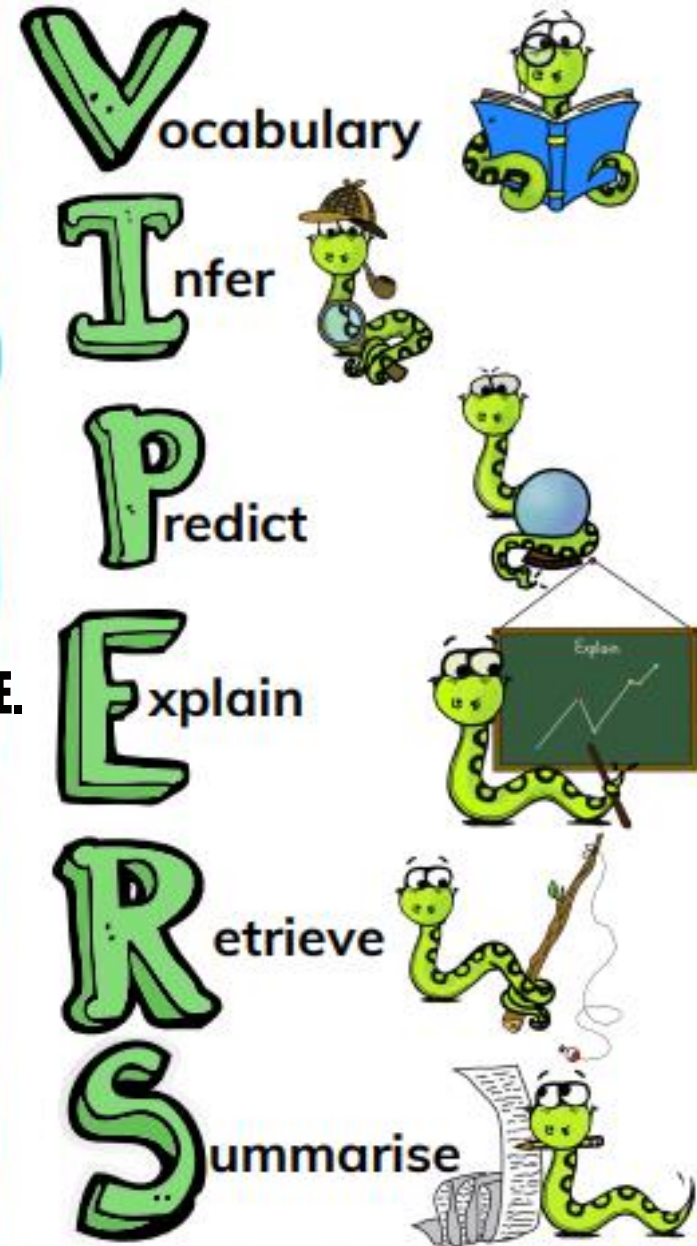
Any book that helps a child to form a habit of reading, to make reading one of his deep and continuing needs, is good for him.



Maya Angelou
American Author & Poet
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HOW DO WE TEACH READING AT SCHOOL?

- **READING COMPREHENSION IS TAUGHT USING THE VIPERS.**
- **WE USE ECHO/REPEAT READING TO BUILD FLUENCY.**
- **WE READ IN MANY SUBJECTS E.G. HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY/RE/SCIENCE.**
- **BOOK BAND LEVELS ARE ASSESSED EACH HALF TERM.**



HOW DO WE ENCOURAGE READING FOR PLEASURE?

WE READ TO THE CHILDREN EVERY DAY.

CHILDREN HAVE TIME IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY WHEN THEY READ FOR PLEASURE.

BOOKSHELVES HAVE A WIDE RANGE OF BOOKS TO CHOOSE FROM.

CHILDREN ARE ABLE TO BORROW BOOKS RECOMMENDED BY ADULTS AND EACH OTHER IN SCHOOL.

WE DISCUSS BOOKS AND AUTHORS REGULARLY.



HOW CAN YOU HELP YOUR CHILD AT HOME?

- MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD READS AT LEAST FOUR TIMES EACH WEEK AT HOME AND RECORD IT IN THEIR READING DIARIES, INITIALED BY AN ADULT.
- THROUGH HEARING STORIES, CHILDREN ARE EXPOSED TO A WIDE RANGE OF WORDS. THIS HELPS THEM BUILD THEIR OWN VOCABULARY AND IMPROVE THEIR UNDERSTANDING WHEN THEY LISTEN, WHICH IS VITAL AS THEY START TO READ. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR THEM TO UNDERSTAND HOW STORIES WORK TOO.

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READING DIARIES

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- EACH PAGE OF THE READING DIARIES HAS ENOUGH DAYS FOR ONE WEEK.
- THERE IS A BOX EACH DAY TO KEEP A COUNT OF HOW MANY READS AT HOME THE CHILDREN HAVE DONE. WE CELEBRATE MILESTONES (EVERY 25 READS) WITH THE CHILDREN.
- IN KS2, WE LISTEN TO THE CHILDREN READING EVERY TWO WEEKS. THE CLASS TEACHER WILL WRITE A COMMENT IN THE BOX AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGE.
- THE SPACE FOR EACH DAY OF THE WEEK IS FOR ADULTS AT HOME TO WRITE ANY COMMENTS AND SIGN. CHILDREN SHOULD READ AT HOME AT LEAST FOUR TIMES EACH WEEK.

Sample Recording Page

Below is an example of a recording page complete with comments and progress. More suggestions for recording your progress are included on pages 2 and 3.

Record the Date.	Title of the book.	Space for parent or student to write a comment.
WEEK BEGINNING Mon 4 / 3 / 19.		
4/3	Mr Fantastic Mr Fox	<p>Comment: All finished! My favourite part was when Mr Fox stole the chickens!</p> <p>Number of Days: 17</p>
5/3	Mr Charlie And The Chocolate Factory	<p>Comment: Chapters 1,2 and 3! The start of the book is a bit boring but I've seen the movie so I know it will get better.</p> <p>Number of Days: 18</p>
6/3		<p>Comment: No Reading? Then don't record anything.</p> <p>Number of Days: </p>
7/3	Mr Charlie and the chocolate factory	<p>Comment: Chapters 4 and 5! I can't believe Mr Willy Wonka has secret workers!</p> <p>Number of Days: 19</p>
8/3	Mr Charlie and the chocolate factory	<p>Comment: Chapters 6 and 7 I was surprised that Charlie only got chocolate for his birthday</p> <p>Number of Days: 20</p>
9/3	Mr Charlie and the chocolate factory	<p>Comment: Chapters 8, 9 and 10 I hope Charlie gets a golden ticket, there's only one left!</p> <p>Number of Days: 21</p>
<p>Weekly Comment: It's great to read the story of a movie you've watched. I do that too Ashlyn on 8/3/19</p>		



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Awarded to

for 100 nights reading

signed: date: / /

Place one of the Student Stickers on the page.

A running record of the total days reading you have achieved during the school year.

A space for a comment from parents, or teacher, at the end of a week to provide further feedback on progress.

WHAT YOUR CHILD NEEDS IN THEIR BOOK BAGS EVERYDAY:

- THEIR SCHOOL READING BOOK
- READING DIARY
- SPELLING TEST BOOKS
- PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD'S BOOK BAG REGULARLY TO MAKE SURE IT ONLY HAS THESE ITEMS IN IT.

HOW TO CHOOSE A BOOK?

- LIBRARIES - LIBRARIANS CAN GIVE RECOMMENDATIONS.
- BOOKSHOP - WHICH BOOKS ARE IN WHICH AGE CATEGORIES?
- BOOK REVIEWS - CHILDREN'S MAGAZINES ETC.
- FAVOURITE AUTHORS
- BOOK TRAILERS
- FILM TIE-INS - HAVE THEY WATCHED A FILM THAT IS BASED ON A BOOK?
- PICTURE BOOKS FOR OLDER CHILDREN - THESE CAN ENCOURAGE RELUCTANT READERS.
- GRAPHIC NOVELS - THESE CAN ENCOURAGE RELUCTANT READERS.
- TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE - WHAT DID YOU ENJOY AS A CHILD THAT YOU COULD SHARE TOGETHER?

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ANY QUESTIONS?