# Reading in Key Stage 2

You should now be able to read for 15 minutes per day. Sometimes you will read to an adult or sometimes you will read independently.

Remember to write the date and title of your book in your Reading Record.

# Handy Hints

- Make reading part of your regular routine,
- Try to read a range of books including fiction and non-fiction.
- Choose books that you find interesting and enjoyable to read.
- Make sure you understand what you are reading and if not, ask for help.

If you are struggling to understand you could try

- 1 Read over the difficult part again
- 2 Slow your reading down a little
- 3 Ask someone to read with you



VIPERS is an acronym to aid the recall of the 6 reading skills. These are the areas children need to know and understand to improve their comprehension of texts.

Here are some example questions to use.

# Vocabulary Questions

- Can you find a word/sentence that tells/shows you that....?
- Why do you think that the author used the word.... to describe....?
- Can you find a word in the text that means the same as....?
- Find an adjective in the text

#### Inference Questions

- What do you think....means? Why do you think that?
- Why do you think....?
- How do you think....?
- When do you think....?
- Where do you think..... ?
- How has the author made us think that....?

# **Prediction Questions**

- Where do you think.....will go next?
- What do you think....will say / do next?
- What do you think this book will be about? Why?
- How do you think that this will end?
- Who do you think has done it?
- What might.....say about that?

#### Explanation Questions

- What do we call the writing on the back of the book?/What does the blurb tell us?
- What is happening in the picture?
- What sort of character is....?
- Who/ what is an author/ illustrator?
- What is similar/ different about the characters/ settings?

#### Retrieval Questions

- Who is/are the main character(s)?
- When/where is this story set?
- Which is your favourite/worst/ funniest/scariest part of the story? Why?
- Tell me three facts you have learnt from the text.
- Find the part where.....

# Sequencing Questions

- What happens in the beginning of the story?
- How/where does the story start?
- What happened at the end of the story?
- Can you retell the story to me in 20 words or less?
- What happened before that?