Reading

Year 1

Yearly coverage of content domains



Content domain: Enjoy

By the end of the year children should:

- listen to and talk about a wide range of poems,
 stories and non-fiction texts
- be able to link what they read or hear to their own experiences
- enjoy rhymes and poems
- be able to say aloud some rhymes or poems from memory.

Vocabulary

Poem—a piece of writing where attention is given to rhyme, rhythm or imagery

Story—a text that is imaginary but may be based on read things or events e.g. a story about a giraffe that cannot dance.

Non-fiction—writing that is factual or contains information. It is real and not imaginary

Rhyme— words that have or end with a sound that is similar to another e.g. mat and cat



Content domain: Decode

By the end of the year, children should:
apply their phonic knowledge and skills to decode words
respond quickly with the correct sounds for graphemes they know
read accurately by blending sounds they know
sight read most Year 1 Common Exception Words
read words containing -s, -es, -ing, -ed, -er and -est endings
read words of more than 1 syllable
read words with contractions
read aloud books that are suited to their ability without relying on the pictures
checking the text makes sense to them as they read and cor-

Vocabulary

Decode—using sounds to work out what the word says

recting any mistakes they make.

Grapheme—the smallest meaningful sound written

Blending—joining sounds together to say words

Common Exception Word—words where the usual spelling rules doesn't apply

Syllable—a part of a word

Contraction— 2 or more words in a shortened form e.g. isn't



Content domain: Define

By the end of the year, children should:

- be able to discuss the meaning of words
- suggest ideas for the meaning of words they don't know by using their knowledge of other words

Vocabulary

Define—be able to explain what words mean

Discuss—talk about

Knowledge of other words—words they already know.



Content domain: Retrieve

By the end of the year, children should:

- be familiar enough with key stories, traditional tales and fairy stories to retell them and discuss some of their features e.g. there is a hero and a villain
 - explain using their own words what is being read to them
 - be able to identify the main character in a story.
 - be able to recall key events from a story they are familiar with.

Vocabulary

Main character—the person, animal or thing that is central to the story.

Key events—main or important events in the story e.g. Cinderella loses her shoe.



Content domain: Sequence

By the end of the year, children should:

- begin to look at the features of non-fiction books
- put a simple story or event in order and use this to re-enact and/or retell it
- begin to explore the basic structure of stories (beginning, middle, end)

Vocabulary

Non-fiction—writing that is factual or contains information. It is real and not imaginary

Re-enact—act out the story or event

Retell—tell the story or event in their own words



Content domain: Infer

By the end of the year, children should:

- begin to think and explain why characters may act in a certain way or why events happened based on what they know and have read
- be able to say what words or pictures in the text have helped them to reach their conclusions e.g. I think she is sad because it says she is crying

Vocabulary

inference—using the clues in the text to suggest why something happened or why a character is acting in the way they are e.g. "he is crying so that means he is sad the dragon has left".

Characters—people, animals or things who feature in the story e.g. Cinderella, the mouse, Norman the robot etc.



Content domain: Prediction

By the end of the year, children should:

- recognise and join in with repeated words or phrases in texts e.g. 'who is going trip trap over my bridge?'
- say what they think might happen next in the story based on what they have read so far

Vocabulary

Prediction—say what they think might happen next e.g. I think that the seagull will drop the bear because the bear is heavy.

Repeated words or phrases—words or phrases that are repeated in the text e.g. "giraffe's can't dance".



Content domain: Links

By the end of the year, children should:

- begin to link what they hear or read to their own experiences e.g. 'I have a bear just like the one in this story'
- be able to share their ideas through discussions

Vocabulary

Link—say how something is similar and why

Their own experiences—things, happenings or events that the children have experienced in their own lives. This will be different for every child.

Discussions—talking about books in small or large groups, or 1:1 with an adult.

