

Reading Skills

Your child will have already seen these skills at school. To help you support your child to answer reading comprehension activities you might want to refer to these words.

Questioning	Find the meaning of the text and further your understanding.
Visualising	Use your imagination to picture what is happening in a text.
Sequencing	Write the things in time order.
Summarising	Find the key points and explain your understanding.
Predicting	Use clues from what you have read and what you already know to make an educated guess about what might happen next.
Retrieval	Retrieve (fetch) and record information directly from the text.
Deduction	Search for clues in the text to find evidence.
Inference	Use what you have read. Use what you know or have experienced before.
Stamina	Read quickly and with understanding for longer periods of time.
Speed.	Read quickly. Understand the text.

Please ask your child lots of questions about the book that they are reading (in English or in the language that is spoken at home). You could discuss what skills they think they used (sometimes they might use more than one to answer a question) and they could write what skills they used next to each answer.