Year 6 Reading Coverage

	Key Reading Skills	Suggested Question Stems
Vocabulary	• evaluate how the authors' use of language impacts upon the reader • find examples of figurative language and how this impacts the reader and contributes to meaning or mood. • discuss how presentation and structure contribute to meaning. • explore the meaning of words in context by 'reading around the word' and independently explore its meaning in the broader context of a section or paragraph.	• What does this word/phrase/sentence tell you about the character/setting/mood? • By writing…, what effect has the author created? Do you think they intended to? • Can you find examples of simile, metaphor, hyperbole or personification in the text? • Why has the text been organised in this way? Would you have done it differently? • What other words/phrases could the author have used here? Why? How has the author made you/this character feel by writing…? Why?
Inference	• drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence. • discuss how characters change and develop through texts by drawing inferences based on indirect clues. • make inferences about events, feelings, states backing these up with evidence. • infer characters' feelings, thoughts and motives, giving more than one piece of evidence to support each point made. They can draw evidence from different places across the text	• What do you think… means? Why do you think that? Could it be anything else? • I think….; do you agree? Why/why not? • Why do you think the author decided to…? • Can you explain why…? • What do these words mean and why do you think that the author chose them? • How do other people's descriptions of …show that…? • Where else in the text can we find the answer to this question?
Prediction	• predicting what might happen from details stated and implied • support predictions by using relevant evidence from the text • confirm and modify predictions in light of new information.	• Can you think of another story with a similar theme? How do their plots differ? • Which stories have openings like this? Do you think that this story will develop the same way? • Why did the author choose this setting? Will that influence the story?
Explaining	• provide increasingly reasoned justification for my views • recommend books for peers in detail • give reasons for authorial choices • begin to challenge points of view • begin to distinguish between fact and opinion	• What is similar/different about two characters? Did the author intend that? • Explain why… did that. • Describe different characters' reactions to the same event. • Does this story have a moral? • Which is better and why?

	• identifying how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning • discuss and evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader • explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read, including through formal presentations and debates. • distinguish between fact, opinion and bias explaining how they know this.	• Can you identify where the author has shown bias towards a particular character? • Is it fact or is it opinion? How do you know? • How does the author make you feel at this point in the story? Why did they do that? • Can you explain it in a different way?
Retrieval	• Children confidently skim and scan, and also use the skill of reading before and after to retrieve information. *They use evidence from across whole chapters or texts • Read a broader range of texts including myths, legends, stories from other cultures, modern fiction, plays, poetry and archaic texts. • Retrieve, record and present information from a wide variety of non-fiction texts. • Ask my own questions and follow a line of enquiry.	• Find the... in this text. Is it anywhere else? • Can you skim the next... and find me the answer to...? • When/where is this story set? Find evidence in the text. • Find the part of the story that best describes the setting. • What do you think is happening here? Why? • Who is telling this story? • What genre is...? • Can you look at these other texts and find me what is similar and what is different?
Summarise	• summarise information from across a text and link information by analysing and evaluating ideas between sections of the text. • summarising the main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph, identifying key details to support the main ideas • make comparisons across different books. • summarise entire texts, in addition to chapters or paragraphs, using a limited amount of words or paragraphs.	• What is the main point of the text? • Can you look in this paragraph? What does the author mean? Is it mentioned anywhere else? • Sum up what has happened so far in... words/seconds or less. • Can you read the text and summarise what has happened? • Which is the most important point in these paragraphs? Why? • Do any sections/paragraphs deal with the same themes?