



Question Stems for KS1 Reading Comprehension

Below are a range of question stems you can ask your child during your reading session to challenge and develop their comprehension understanding.

Vocabulary	Inference	Prediction	Explain	Retrieval	Sequencing
<p>What does the word ... mean?</p> <p>What does this word/phrase tell you about ...?</p> <p>Find a word that means the same as ...?</p> <p>What adjective is used to describe...?</p>	<p>Why was ... feeling ...?</p> <p>Why did ... happen?</p> <p>Can you explain why...?</p> <p>How does ... make you feel?</p> <p>How do you know ... is feeling ...?</p>	<p>What do you think could happen next?</p> <p>What do you think the last sentence/paragraph suggest will happen next?</p> <p>Look at the cover/blurb, what do you think will happen in the story?</p>	<p>Who is your favourite character? Why?</p> <p>Do you like this text? Why?</p> <p>Would you like to live in this setting? Why?</p> <p>What was your favourite part of the story? Why?</p>	<p>What kind of text is this?</p> <p>What happened to ...?</p> <p>Who did ...?</p> <p>When did ...?</p> <p>How many ...?</p> <p>Where did ...?</p>	<p>Can you order these events from 1-5 in the order they came in the story?</p> <p>Can you summarise in a sentence the beginning/middle/end of the story?</p> <p>What happened after ...?</p> <p>What was the first thing to happen in the story?</p> <p>What was the last thing to happen in the story?</p>