## **Home Reading Questions for Parents to ask**

- 1. What made you choose the book:
  - the author
  - the cover
  - the 'blurb'
  - the subject
  - something else?
  - 2. Where and when is the story set?
  - 3. Who are the main characters and what are they like?
  - 4. What part of the story did you enjoy most?
  - 5. Was the story too easy or hard to read?
  - 6. Would you recommend the book to a friend?
  - 7. Will you look for more books by the same author?
  - Give the book a star rating:

\* Poor \*\* OK \*\*\* Good \*\*\*\* Very good \*\*\*\* Excellent





## 1. Try to read a range of books:

- Fiction / Non-fiction
- Poetry / Plays
- Newspapers/ Magazines

## 2. Before you read the book:

- Look at the cover and try to guess what the book or story is about
- Read the 'blurb' on the back which often tells you about the content or story
- Flick through any pictures to get an idea of what happens.
- 3. **If your child gets stuck on a word,** ask them to make a good guess by:
  - Looking for clues in the pictures
  - Looking at the first letter of the word
  - Re-reading the sentence up to the tricky word
  - Trying to build the word
- 4. Try to read with your child every day, ensuring their reading record is signed with any useful comments for their class teacher.
- 5. Most importantly, enjoy your reading time together and try to promote a love of reading and books!

If you have any further questions, queries or concerns, please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher who will be more than happy to offer advice and support for reading at home.