

Reading: Varjak Paw

Y4 summer

National Curriculum subject content:

Word Reading:

Pupils should be taught to:

- ✓ apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (etymology and morphology) to understand the meaning of new words they meet
- ✓ read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word.

Comprehension:

Pupils should be taught to:

- ✓ develop positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what they read by:
- ✓ listening to and discussing a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks
- ✓ reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes
- ✓ using dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read
- ✓ increasing their familiarity with a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retelling some of these orally
- ✓ identifying themes and conventions in a wide range of books English 37 Statutory requirements
- ✓ preparing poems and play scripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action
- ✓ discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination
- ✓ recognising some different forms of poetry [for example, free verse, narrative poetry]
- ✓ understand what they read, in books they can read independently, by:
- ✓ checking that the text makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context
- ✓ asking questions to improve their understanding of a text
- ✓ drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence
- ✓ predicting what might happen from details stated and implied
- ✓ identifying main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these
- ✓ identifying how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning
- ✓ retrieve and record information from non-fiction
- ✓ participate in discussion about both books that are read to them and those they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what others say.



Varjak Paw is a Mesopotamian Blue kitten. He lives high up in an old house on a hill. He's never left home, but then his grandfather tells him about the Way - a secret martial art for cats.

Objectives (key knowledge):

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Vocabulary:	Inference:	Prediction:	Explain:	Retrieval:	Sequence/summarise
To learn how to use a dictionary, thesaurus and glossary to find word meanings.	To learn to ask questions to clarify their understanding of what is implied about main ideas, themes and events in texts they have read.	To learn to make a prediction from information stated using prior knowledge and being able to make a prediction on what is implied	To learn to explain how information/narrative content is related and contributes to the meaning as a whole.	To learn to pick out key sentences and phrases that convey important information.	To learn to identify main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarise these.

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