

Questions for guided reading

Text level

Style	<p>What type of text / genre do you think this might be?</p> <p>Is it similar to another text you have read?</p> <p>What do you think it will be about / What does the title / pictures / cover suggest?</p> <p>Have you read any other books by this author / publisher?</p>
Setting Where? When?	<p>Where do you think the story is set?</p> <p>When was the story set / What time is the story set in?</p> <p>What picture of the setting do you get from the description?</p> <p>Is this setting familiar to you / does it remind you of a place you have been?</p> <p>Does the setting change throughout the story?</p> <p>Could the story 'work' in a different setting or time?</p>
Character Who?	<p>Who are the characters in this story?</p> <p>Who is the most important character in the story?</p> <p>Who is telling the story?</p> <p>Do the characters remind you of anyone you know?</p> <p>Which character interested you most?</p> <p>What do you think the character might say or do?</p> <p>Were there any characters that you didn't like?</p> <p>Why does that character behave in that way?</p> <p>What would you have done in that situation?</p> <p>What do you think the character was thinking?</p> <p>What effect did a particular character have on the story?</p> <p>Did the characters stay the same throughout the story or did they change?</p> <p>How would the story change if the characters were different?</p>
Plot What?	<p>What do you think might happen next?</p> <p>What are the main events in the story?</p> <p>What is the problem in the story and how is it resolved?</p> <p>How long did it take the story to happen?</p> <p>What was your favourite / most exiting part of the story?</p> <p>Was there anything that puzzled you?</p> <p>What would happen if the order of events changed?</p> <p>How does the ending of the story compare to what you thought might happen at the beginning?</p> <p>Is there just one story in this book or do the pictures / text tell a different story?</p>
Theme	<p>What is the main idea / theme of the story?</p> <p>Does this text remind you of any others that you have read? Why and how?</p> <p>What do you think the author is trying to say?</p> <p>Are there any hidden messages in the story?</p> <p>What do you think the author feels about particular issues e.g. bullying, families, gender, race?</p>

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Word / Sentence

Language	<p>What does ... mean?</p> <p>Can you suggest another word / synonym for the words the author uses?</p> <p>Can you find an example of adjective / adverb / connective / compound sentence / complex sentence etc.?</p> <p>What happens when the author uses words in this way?</p> <p>What effect does the author create by using the phrase...?</p> <p>Why do you think the author chose to use those words?</p> <p>Can you find sentences with different structures?</p> <p>What punctuation has the author used and why has he used it?</p> <p>How else could this phrase / sentence have been written?</p>
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Non-Fiction

Purpose	<p>Why would you use this type of text?</p> <p>Use this book to find the answer to this question / find out about...</p> <p>Where else might you find information about this?</p>
Style / layout	<p>Why is the text laid out in sections?</p> <p>What is the purpose of the headings / subheading?</p> <p>Why is some of the text in different fonts?</p> <p>Find an example of a caption / sub heading / heading?</p> <p>What is the glossary for?</p> <p>Why are their diagrams / pictures / tables?</p> <p>What do the diagrams / pictures / tables show us?</p> <p>Use the glossary to find the meaning of...?</p> <p>Where would I look to find out... / what should I do first to find out about...?</p>
Word / sentence	<p>What type of sentence structures can you find?</p> <p>What punctuation is there in this text?</p> <p>Are there words that you don't know the meaning of / how can you find out what they mean?</p>