

## Saint George's Primary Phase English Reading Milestone Progression

Threshold	Milestone 1	Milestone 2	Milestone 3
Concepts	(Years 1 and 2)	(Years 3 and 4)	(Years 5 and 6)
Read words accurately	<ul> <li>Apply phonic knowledge and skills as the route to decode words.</li> <li>Respond speedily with the correct sound to graphemes (letters or groups of letters) for all 40+ phonemes, including, alternative sounds for graphemes.</li> <li>Read accurately by blending sounds in unfamiliar words containing GPCs that have been taught.</li> <li>Read common exception words, noting unusual correspondences between spelling and sound and where these occur.</li> <li>Read words containing taught GPCs and -s, -es, - ing, -ed, -er and -est endings.</li> <li>Read words of more than one syllable that contain taught GPCs.</li> <li>Re-read these books to build up fluency and confidence in word reading.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Apply a growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (etymology and morphology).</li> <li>Read further exception words, noting the spellings.</li> <li>Apply a growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (etymology and morphology).</li> <li>Read further exception words, noting the spellings.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Apply knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes.</li> <li>Read age-appropriate books with confidence and fluency (including whole novels).</li> <li>Apply knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes.</li> <li>Read age-appropriate books with confidence and fluency (including whole novels).</li> </ul>





Read words with contractions (for example, I'm, I'll, we'll) and understand that the apostrophe represents the omitted letter(s).

Read aloud accurately books that are consistent with phonic knowledge and that do not require other strategies to work out words.

Read accurately by blending the sounds in words that contain the graphemes taught so far, recognising alternative sounds for graphemes.

Read accurately words of two or more syllables that contain the same graphemes as above.

Read words containing common suffixes.

Read most words quickly and accurately, without overt sounding and blending, when they have been frequently encountered.

Read aloud books closely matched to their improving phonic knowledge, sounding out unfamiliar words accurately, automatically and without undue hesitation.

Re-read books to build up fluency and confidence.





Threshold Concepts	Milestone 1 (Years 1 and 2)	Milestone 2 (Years 3 and 4)	Milestone 3 (Years 5 and 6)
Understand texts	Discuss events.	Draw inferences from reading.	Recommend books to peers, giving reasons for choices.
This concept involves understanding both the literal and more subtle nuances of texts.	Predict events. Link reading to own experiences and other books.	Predict from details stated and implied. Recall and summarise main ideas.	Identify and discuss themes and conventions in and across a wide range of writing.
	Join in with stories or poems.	Discuss words and phrases that capture the	Make comparisons within and across books.
	Check that reading makes sense and self-correct.	imagination. Retrieve and record	Learn a wide range of poetry by heart.
	Infer what characters are like from actions.	information from non- fiction, using titles, headings, sub-headings and indexes.	Prepare poems and plays to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through
	Ask and answer questions about texts.	Prepare poems and plays to read aloud with	intonation, tone and volume so that the meaning is clear to an
	Discuss favourite words and phrases.	expression, volume, tone and intonation.	audience. Check that the book makes
	Listen to and discuss a wide range of texts.	ldentify recurring themes and elements of different stories (e.g. good	sense, discussing understanding and exploring the meaning of
	Recognise and join in with (including role-play) recurring language.	triumphing over evil). Recognise some different	words in context. Ask questions to improve
	Explain and discuss	forms of poetry. Explain and discuss	understanding. Draw inferences such as
	understanding of texts. Discuss the significance of the title and events.	understanding of reading, maintaining focus on the topic.	inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences
	Make inferences on the	Draw inferences such as inferring characters'	with evidence.
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Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.

Identify main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarise these.

Identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning.

Ask questions to improve understanding of a text.

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Discuss and evaluate how authors use language, including figurative language, considering the impact on the reader.

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