



KS1 Reading Meeting

10th September 2025

Our Aims

- To develop a life long love of reading
- Develop independent reading and comprehension skills



Reading is at the heart of our curriculum at school.

Reading develops many important skills, including:

- Enhancing imagination and creativity
- Developing empathy
- Improving concentration
- Discovering new vocabulary
- Building a greater knowledge of the world

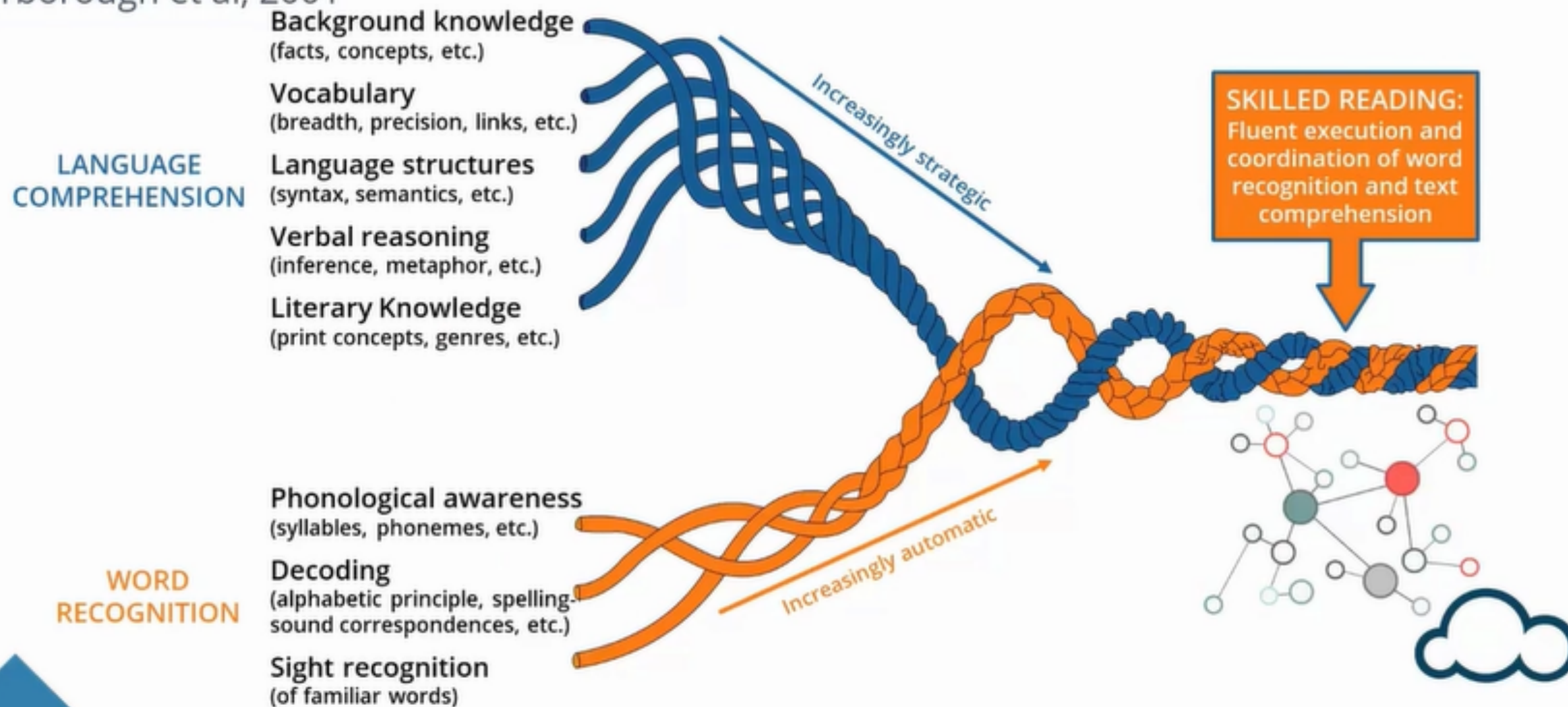
Reading in School

The Teaching of Reading

- Phonics
- Shared reading
- Whole class guided reading (TfR)
- Independent reading
- Reading across the curriculum
- Class novels and stories

The Reading Rope

Scarborough et al, 2001



How do we foster a love of reading at school



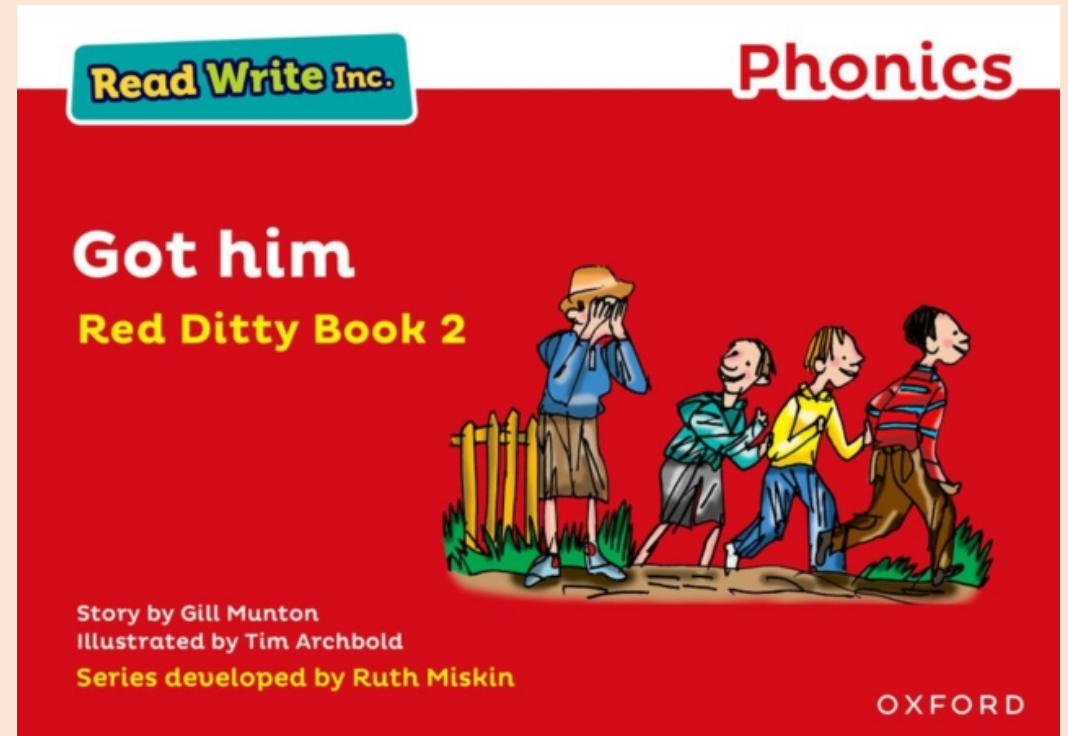
- Daily story time sessions
- Talk4Writing - teaching children to tell stories and eventually start to write their own
- Read Write Inc - teaching children to read
- Weekly library visits

Books

When your child progresses past ditty group, they will bring home a book.

Your child will continue reading RWI books in Key Stage One.

They will change their books every three days, so please keep the books in bags after reading them each night.



Books

Inside the books you will see sounds, green words, red words and stories.

The stories will get progressively longer and more challenging as they progress through the groups.



Phonics screening

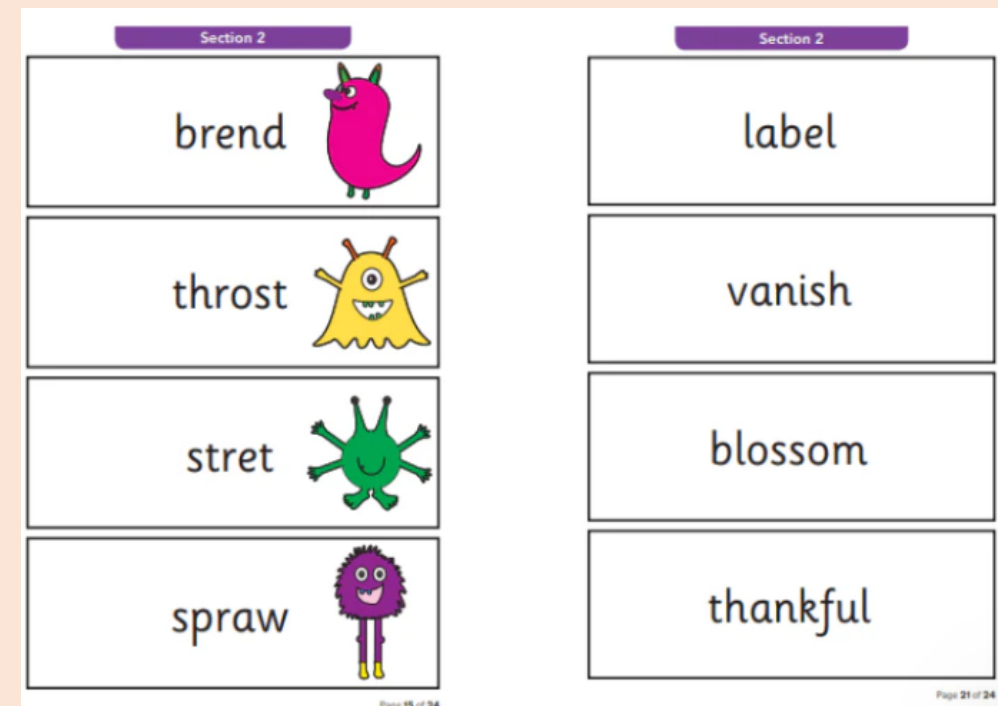
In June, Year 1 children across the country complete an assessment to check their phonic knowledge.

They will be asked to read 40 words on a one to one basis with the class teacher.

Children will be asked to use

their phonics strategies to read a list of real words and 'alien' words.

There will be an additional meeting on Phonics Screening Information for Year 1 parents after Christmas.



Top tips to help my child at home

- Speak to your child's teacher for additional support to help teach any sounds they are not yet secure with. Your child's teacher may have shared this with you at parents evening.
- Listen to your child read their RWI book every night – Remember to log this on boom reader!
- Read other stories to your child each night before bed.
- Visit Rose Hill Library and help foster a love of reading in your home.
- Visit the Britannia website - Curriculum - RWI for additional information.



What is Talk for Reading?

- It aims to develop children into efficient, effective, thoughtful and strategic readers who can learn about life, discover information and deepen their thinking through considering other people's views and experiences with a critical mind.

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The approach of Talk for Reading, like Talk for Writing, uses the gradual-release-of-responsibility model, shifting children from dependence towards independence.

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Julia Strong

The Three phases of Talk for Reading.

1) Introduction phase

Achieve basic understanding

2) Investigation phase




Deepen understanding of
comprehension

3) Independent understanding phase

Independently demonstrate different
levels of understanding

Reading at Home

Why should you read with your child?

<p>1,800,000 words</p> 	<p>282,000 words</p> 	<p>8,000 words</p> 
<p>This child reads for 20 minutes a day.</p>	<p>This child reads for 5 minutes a day.</p>	<p>This child reads for 1 minute a day.</p>

'KIDS WHO READ SUCCEED'.

Perform better in tests

Develop a broader vocabulary

Have increased general knowledge and do better across the curriculum

Have a better understanding of different cultures.

Are more successful in adult life.



Reading at Home – Enjoy!



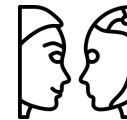
Make reading visible —
have books available
in your home




Share books every day



Talk about books



Respect choices



Reading at Home - here are our 6 top tips for parents:

1. Make the time for daily reading - just 10-20 minutes a day can make a huge difference.
 2. Read different types of books – enjoy stories together but also read books to find out information on topics of interest.
 3. Take turns to read – children partly learn to read when they follow a text that an adult is reading.
 4. Talk about the book – encourage your child to give opinions and make predictions.
 5. Explain/discuss the meaning of new words – experimenting using the word helps your child to add it to their vocabulary.
 6. Enjoy reading! If your child is getting distressed, end the session and talk to your child's teacher.
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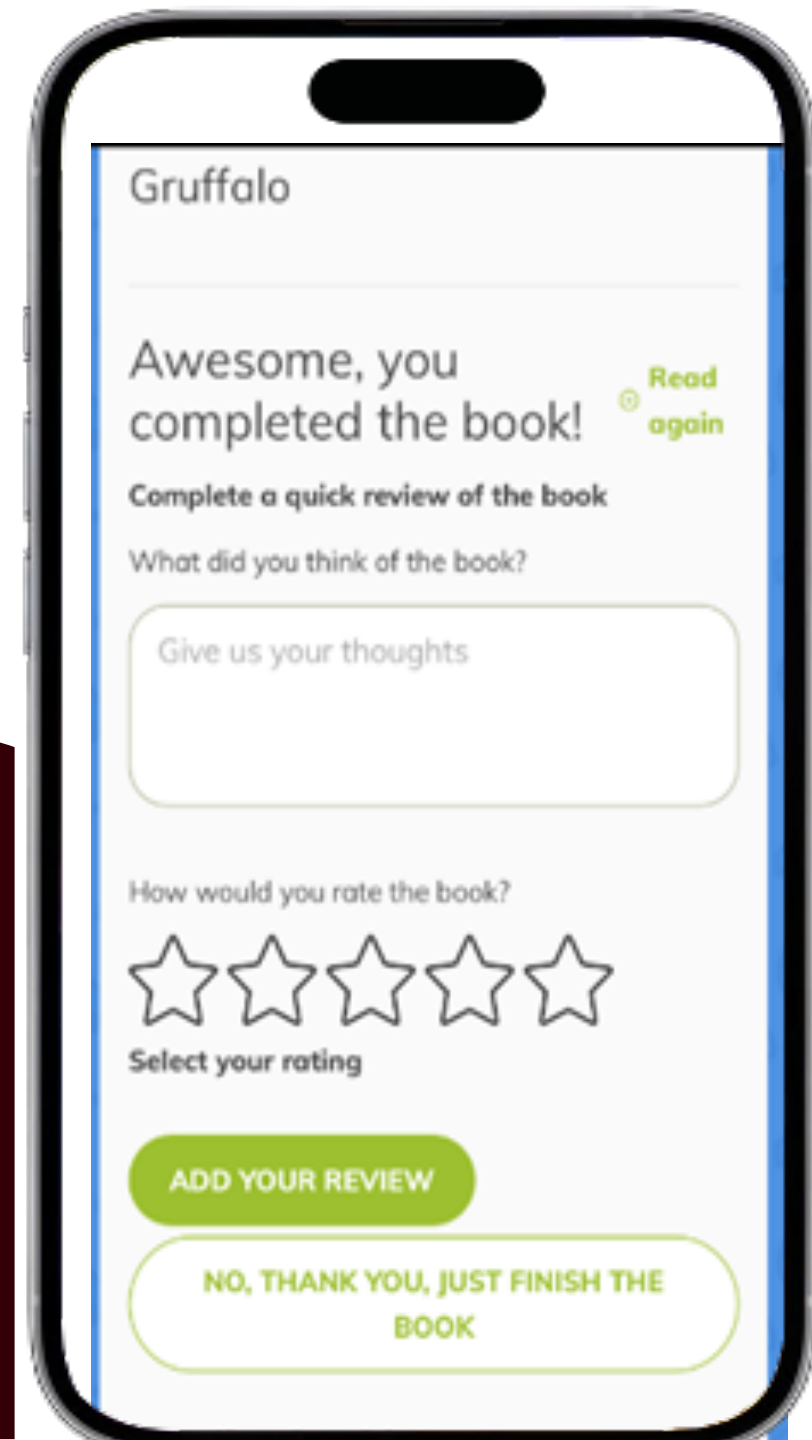
Hearing your child read



As part of their weekly homework, ask that children to read regularly at home and that you log their reading on Boom Reader at least 3 times every week



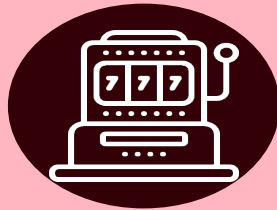
Log These during reading and after
using Boom Reader
Review them on Boom Reader
only pupils can review



Boom Reader

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reads in a week
will earn your
child a token
if they log them
(not all on the
same day)



5 Tokens =
a prize from
the vending
machine -
then 8 tokens,
then 10

3

reads in
a week
is expected





The Power of Reading!



Creating a love of reading in children is potentially one of the most powerful ways of impacting on academic standards in school



There can be few better ways to improve pupils' chances in school, or beyond in the wider world, than to enable them to become truly independent readers



Reading is all about acquiring meaning; for enjoyment, information and understanding

just
One
more
Chapter



Read
more
books



Reading
IS AN
adventure
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SO MANY
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