

Key Stage Two Reading Content Domains: Question Examples

2a: Give/explain the meaning of words in context

- Explain two things that the words ____, ____ suggest.
- Find and copy a word/two words/a phrase/a sentence that shows _____.
- In this sentence _____ is closest in meaning to _____?
- The author uses _____. _____ has two different definitions, use each definition to write a sentence.
- The author uses _____. Why do you think they chose this word?
- The author uses _____. Which of these words could be used to give a similar meaning in the sentence?
- Which word best describe _____?
- Find and copy one word that suggests that _____.
- What does this word/phrase/sentence tell you about _____?
- Highlight a key phrase or line. By writing a line in this way what effect has the author created?
- Why does the author use _____ repeatedly?
- The writer uses words like _____ to describe _____. What does this tell you _____?
- What other words/phrases could the author have used?
- The writer uses _____ to describe _____. How does this make you feel?
- Can you find an example of a word that means _____?



2b: Retrieve and record information/identify key details from fiction and non-fiction

Which...? What...? How...? Where...? When...? Why...? Who...?

- Identify how _____.
- Give two reasons why _____.
- True/False
- Fact/Opinion
- Circle the option to complete the sentence.
- When did _____ take place?
- From whose point of view is the story told?
- Which part of the story best describes _____? Explain why.
- Which words and /or phrases _____?
- What evidence do you have to justify your opinion?
- Find the paragraph where _____.



2c: Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph

- What is the main message of the text?
- Number the sentences below to show the order they happened.
- Which of these events happened first?
- Which of these events happened last?
- What happened after?
- What happened before?
- What's the main point in this paragraph?
- Can you sum up what happens in _____?
- Sort the information in these paragraphs.
- Which is the most important point in these paragraphs? How do you know?
- What part of the story do you think is the most important? Explain why you think this.



2d: Make inferences from the text/Explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text

- Explain how _____?
- Explain why _____?
- Why did _____?
- Why is _____?
- How does _____?
- Why do you think _____? Explain using the text.
- How do you know _____? Explain using the text.
- When do you think _____? Explain using the text.
- How can you tell that _____? Explain using the text.
- True/False
- What makes you think that?
- Which words give you the impression that _____?
- How do you feel about _____? Why?
- Can you explain why _____?
- Which word tells you that _____?



2e: Predict what might happen from details stated and implied

- What do you think will happen next?
- What do you think would happen if _____?
- Based on what you have read, what does the last paragraph suggest might happen next?
- Can you think of another story, which has a similar theme, e.g. good vs evil? Do you think this story will end in a similar way? Why?
- Why did the author choose this setting? Will that influence how the story develops?
- How is _____ like someone you know? Do you think they will react in the same way?
- What might happen next? Why?
- Choose one character from the book and predict how you think they will behave/react?
- Can you predict several possible outcomes and explain your answer?
- What if...?
- If there was a sequel, what might happen? Why do you think this?



2f: Identify/explain how information/narrative content is related and contributes to the meaning as a whole

- At what point did the characters mood change? Justify your answer using the text.
- What caused the characters to change their actions?
- What caused a change in events? What impact did a change in events have? How is the outcome different because of what happened?
- Explain why _____.
- What is similar/different _____ and _____?
- Why is _____ important in the story?
- Does this story have a moral or a message? Explain how you know using the text.
- Why do you think the author chose to use _____ to present the information?
- How does the _____ encourage you to read on/find information?
- Where does it tell you that _____?
- Why has the writer written/organised the text in this way?
- In what ways do the illustrations support the instructions?
- Who do you think this information is for?
- What atmosphere is the author trying to create? What words/phrases help to create that feeling?
- Why did the author write this story? Find a group of words to show that _____ has changed.
- What has the author done to make you want to read on? Explain your answer using the text.



2g: Identify and explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases

- What does _____ tell you?
- What words help the reader to _____?
- What does this word/phrase _____ tell you about _____?
- What impact does the phrase _____ have on the reader?
- Find and copy words from the paragraph that show it was _____
- Why does the writer use the word/phrase _____?
- What is the effect of _____?
- What does the word _____ tell you about _____?
- Highlight a key phrase or line. By writing a line in this way what effect has the author created?
- The writer uses words like _____ to describe _____. What does this tell you about _____?
- What other words/phrases could the author have used?
- What technique has the writer used?
- How are these words effective?
- What do you think the writer meant by '_____ '?
- When the author uses this sort of sentence, what is the impact?
- Why did the author _____?
- Find two words that show _____
- Why has the author used this word/phrase/sentence?
- How does the author create this mood/atmosphere?
- What is the effect of _____?



2h: Make comparisons within the text

- How does the characters mood change throughout the text?
- What words would you use to describe the main character at the start and end of the text?
- Compare and contrast different characters, reactions, settings, themes within the text.
- How are the lives of the people different as a result of _____?
- How is it similar to _____? How is it different to _____?
- Compare your book to another on the same topic. Which do you prefer and why?
- Would you like to read more books by this author? Explain your reasons.
- If you have read other texts by this author, can you see any similarities/differences between them?

