Vocabulary

Find and explain the meaning of words in context.

Example questions

- What do the words ...... and ...... suggest about the character, setting and mood?
- Which word tells you that.....?
- Which keyword tells you about the character/setting/mood?
- Find one word in the text which means......
- Find and highlight the word that is closest in meaning to......
- Find a word or phrase which shows/suggests that........

Infer

Make and justify inferences using evidence from the text.

Example questions

- Find and copy a group of words which show that....
- How do these words make the reader feel? How does this paragraph suggest this?
- How do the descriptions of ...... show that they are ....
- How can you tell that.......
- What impression of ...... do you get from these paragraphs?
- What voice might these characters use?
- What was .... thinking when......
- Who is telling the story?

Predict

Predict what will happen based from the details given or implied.

Example questions

- From the cover what do you think this text is going to be about?
- What is happening now? What happened before this? What will happen after?
- What does this paragraph suggest will happen next? What makes you think this?
- Do you think the choice of setting will influence how the plot develops?
- Do you think.... will happen? Yes, no or maybe? Explain your answer using evidence from the text.

Explain

Explain how content is related and contributed to the meaning as a whole.
Explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of language.
Explain the themes and patterns that develop across the text.
Explain how information contributes to the overall experience.

Example questions

- Why is the text arranged in this way?
- What structures has the author used?
- What is the purpose of this text feature?
- Is the use of ..... effective?
- The mood of the character changes throughout the text. Find and copy the phrases which show this.
- What is the author's point of view?
- What affect does .... have on the audience?
- How does the author engage the reader here?
- Which words and phrases did ...... effectively?
- Which section was the most interesting/exciting part?
- How are these sections linked?

Retrieve

Retrieve and record information and identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.

Example questions

- How would you describe this story/text? What genre is it? How do you know?
- How did...?
- How often...?
- Who had...? Who is...? Who did...?
- What happened to...?
- What does.... do?
- How .... is ......?
- What can you learn from .... from this section?
- Give one example of ......
- The story is told from whose perspective?

Summarise

Summarise the main ideas from more than one paragraph.

Example questions

- Can you number these events 1-5 in the order that they happened?
- What happened after ......?
- What was the first thing that happened in the story?
- Can you summarise in a sentence the opening/ middle/end of the story?
- In what order do these chapter headings come in the story?