

Suggestions for comments on your child's reading

Ensuring that comments are constructive and encouraging without sounding too repetitive can often be very difficult. Here is a list of collective comments and phrases to help you respond to your child's progress. Please remember that these are only suggested comments and ideas. You may or may not choose to use them. The list is by no means exhaustive and comments can be modified, extended and replaced with details to reflect your child's own reading experience.

Comprehension

- Understood the story well.
- Good discussion about events in the story.
- Retold the story in detail.
- Could talk about the story confidently.
- Answered questions about the content.
- Needs to read again to improve understanding.
- Used the pictures to assist understanding.
- Needed lots of help to understand the main events.



Word skills

- Read all the words correctly.
- Found some words difficult.
- Worked out new words by sounding them out.
- Needs to practice again to reinforce the words.
- Read accurately and confidently.
- Was able to work out new words using picture clues.
- Confused "b" and "d" sounds at the beginning of the word "dig" but self-corrected when read within the context of the sentence.
- Recognised the exclamation mark!
- He is very aware of punctuation including speech marks!
- Self-corrected own errors independently.



Attitude and interest

- Read eagerly.
- Enjoyed the story because
- Fantastic expression.
- Would benefit from reading again to improve fluency.
- Has learnt all about..... and could explain in own words.