



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

- The writer uses words like ... to describe ... What does this suggest about... (character/setting)?
- What other words/phrases could the author have used?
- Which word most closely matches the meaning of the word x?
- The writer uses ...words/phrases...to describe ... How does this make you feel?
- Which of these words...is a synonym for (choose a word from the text)?
- Find and copy one word meaning...
- Give the meaning of the word...in this sentence
- Circle the correct option to complete this sentence (provide synonyms/phrases with similar meanings to replace at the end of the sentence)
- What does this phrase mean? (idiomatic or figurative language)



2c: Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph

- What's the main point in this paragraph?
- Can you sum up what happens in these three/four/five... paragraphs?
- You've got 'x' words; sum up these paragraphs.
- Sort the information in these paragraphs. Do any of them deal with the same information?
- Make a table/chart to show the information in these paragraphs.
- Which is the most important point in these paragraphs? How many times is it mentioned?
- Write sub-headings for each paragraph



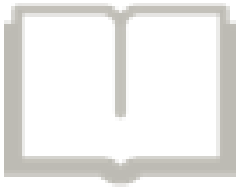
2d: Make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text

- What makes you think that?
- Which words give you that impression?
- How can you tell that...?
- Can you explain why...?
- Explain what x (phrase with challenging vocabulary) suggests about x.
- What does this... word/phrase/sentence... imply about... (character/setting/mood)?



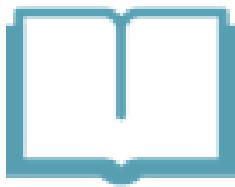
2e: Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.

- Can you think of another story, which has a similar theme; e.g. good over evil; weak over strong; wise over foolish? Do you think this story will go the same way?
- Do you know of another story which deals with the same issues; e.g. social; moral; cultural? Could this happen in this story?
- Which other author handles time in this way; e.g. flashbacks; dreams?
- Which stories have openings like this? Do you think this story will develop in the same way?
- Why did the author choose this setting? Will that influence how the story develops?
- How is character X like someone you know? Do you think they will react in the same way?
- Do you think x will happen? Tick one (from yes/no/maybe). Explain your answer with evidence from the text.



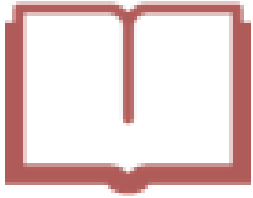
2f: Identify/explain how information/narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole

- Explain why a character did something.
- Explain a character's different/changing feelings throughout a story. How do you know?
- What are the clues that a character is liked/disliked/envied/feared/loved/hated etc...?
- What is similar/different about two characters?
- Why is 'x' (character/setting/event) important in the story?
- What is the story (theme) underneath the story? Does this story have a moral or a message?
- Why do you think the author chose to use a...question/bullet/subheading/table to present the information?
- How does the title/layout encourage you to read on/find information?
- Where does it tell you that...(could be information contained in headings/glossaries/labels etc.)?
- Why has the writer written/organised the text in this way?
- In what ways do the illustrations support the instructions?
- How could these instructions/information/illustrations be improved?
- Draw lines to match each part of the text to the correct quotation.



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

- What does the word 'x' tell you about 'y'?
- Find two or three ways that the writer tells you 'x'.
- What does this...word/phrase/sentence...tell you about... character/setting/mood?
- Highlight a key phrase or line. By writing a line in this way what effect has the author created?
- In the story, 'x' is mentioned a lot. Why?
- The writer uses words like...to describe...What does this tell you about a character or setting?
- What other words/phrases could the author have used?
- The writer uses ...words/phrases to describe ... How does this make you feel?
- What do you think the writer meant by... 'x'?
- Which words do you think are most important? Why?
- Which words do you like the best? Why?
- The author makes an action/description 'like' something else. Why?
- The author states that 'x' is something it isn't. What is the effect of this? Why have they done this?
- Highlight a key phrase or line. By writing a line in this way what effect has the author created?
- How has the writer made you and/or character feel ...happy /sad/angry/ frustrated/lonely/bitter?
- What do these words mean and why do you think the author chose them?
- What impression do these words...give you about...(use a synonym for the previous words)?



2h: Make comparisons within the text.

- Describe different characters' reactions to the same event in a story.
- How is it similar to ...?
- How is it different to ...?
- Is it as good as ...?
- Which is better and why?
- Compare and contrast different character/settings/themes in the text
- What do you think about the way information is organised in different parts of the text? Is there a reason for why this has been done?