	Pre-reader Does not yet link sounds, letters, words and writing		Beginning reader Knows print contains meaning; begins to match sounds to writing		More independent reader Uses phonics, look and say and context to read longer text	
	Pre 1	Pre 2	Beg 1	Beg 2	Ind 1	Ind 2
DECODE & UNDERSTAND	Does not link sounds with written letters	May recognise some 'letters and sounds'	Knows some letters and sounds and begins to use initial letters	Knows sounds of most letters and begins to blend sounds into words	Sight reads more complex and more high frequency words	Self corrects especially when a text does not make sense
	Looks at pictures and talks about pictures	Pretend to read a story	Recognises some high frequency words	Knows more high frequency words	Uses <i>Phonics, Look and Say</i> and <i>Context</i> to decode new words	Begins to read 2-3 syllable words
	Does not know text reads left to right	May read high frequency words eg own name	Memorises simple patterned writing	Identifies syllables and rhyming words	Begins to self-correct	For more difficult words: looks for cues in text
	Does not tell a coherent Story	Knows text reads left to right	May finger point, matching words to text	Sounds out new words (eg CVC) using phonics knowledge	Silent reading is mostly vocalised	Reads simple texts with fluency and understanding
	Does not understand that words have meanings	May ask: 'What's the word?'	Uses picture cues to guess unknown words	Reads patterned writing phrases with understanding	Can answer simple questions about a story	Can give reasons for characters' actions
Notes	on reading progress e.g. What	is pupil reading? What lette	rs or words are they able to read?	What mistakes do they make? What	t 'stage' are they at? What do tl	ney need extra help with?
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