

# **Key Stage 1 Question Stems**



#### **Vocabulary**

Draw on knowledge of vocabulary to understand texts



- What does the word .....mean in the sentence?
- Find and copy a word that means.....
- What does this word or phrase tell you about....?
- Which word in this section do you think is the most important and why?
- Which of the words best describes the mood/character/setting etc..?
- Can you think of any other words that the author could have used to describe this?
- Why do you think .....is repeated in this section?

#### Infer

Make inferences from the text



Why was ..... feeling.....?

Why did .....

What do you think the

author intended when

they said .....?

make you feel?

How does .....

happen?

# **Predict**

Predict what might happen on the basis of what has been red so far



Look at the book cover/blurb - what do you think this

book will be about?

- Why did ..... say What do you think .....? will happen next? Can you explain What makes you think this? why.....?
  - How does the choice of character or setting affect what will happen next?
  - What is happening? What do you think happened before? What do you think will happen after?
  - What do you think the last paragraph suggests will happen next?

# **Explain**

Explain preferences, thoughts and feelings about a text



character? Why?

• Why do you think

characters are

girls in this book?

Would you like to

setting? Why/why

Is there anything

you would like to

change about

Do you like this

you like about it?

text? What do

this story?

Who is your

favourite

all main

live in this

not?

#### Retrieve

Identify key aspects from fiction and nonfiction, such as characters, events, titles and information



Wat kind of text

## Sequence

Identify and explain the sequences of events in texts



- is this? Who did....?
- Where did....?
- When did.....?
- What happened when....?
- Why did .....happen?
- How did....?
- How many....?
- What happened to....?

- Can you number these events 1-5 in the order that they happened in the story?
- What happened after....?
- What was the first thing that happened in the story?
- In what order do these chapter headings come in the story?