





Reading

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Discussion Points:

- •The content of the Reading Log.
- •How to complete Reading Log entries.
- •Comments that are useful for parents, students and teachers.
- •How we use ORT books in school and how it can be useful at home.
- •Parent readers: How to return and checkout ORT books.
- •How to check for understanding (comprehension).
- How often and how long you should read with your child/ren
 Q &A

What are the benefits of reading to and with children from a young age?

- 1.Reading to children sets them up to succeed.
- 2. Reading develops language skills.
- 3. Exposure to reading exercises your child's brain.
- 4. Reading enhances a child's concentration.
- 5.Reading together encourages a thirst for knowledge.
- 6.A range of books teaches children about different topics.
- 7.Reading develops a child's imagination and creativity.
- 8.Reading books with children helps to develop empathy.
- 9.Books are a form of entertainment.
- 10.Reading together helps to create a bond.

Read further at: https://www.highspeedtraining.co.uk/hub/why-is-reading-important-for-children/

The content of the Reading Log:

- Information
- •Tips & Support
- •Child based pages
- •Pages for entries
- How to complete Reading Log entries:
- •Title of book
- •Date
- •Comment (next slide)
- •Signature
- •P/H (Parent/Home) OA (Other adult) T/S (Teacher/School) (OA/S) (OA/H)



<u>Comments that are useful for parents,</u> <u>students and teachers:</u>

•How they read well, what impressed you, skills used (expression, pauses, phonetic knowledge, blending, understood nouns, predictions, character discussion)

•What they need to focus on in future

Unknown words to practise

•Good

•Read well

•(No comment)



We do not expect an extensive comment, but anything to support progression.

ORT books to support with reading:

*Check front & back of inside cover for teaching tips.







How to check for understanding (comprehension)

•See Reading Log

What else could the focus be when reading?

•expression when reading to interest audience, as a character, specific text changes

- •Punctuation pausing or using specific expression
- •Flow and/or pace of reading
- •Predictions of what could happen
- •Discussion of what they have read already (if existing book)
- •Questions based on opinion

How often and how long you should read with your child/ren at home?

Year 1	Daily reading 10 minutes
Year 2	Daily reading 10 minutes
Year 3	Daily reading 15 minutes
Year 4	Reading 15-20 minutes at least 3 x per week
Year 5	Reading 15-20 minutes at least 3 x per week Independent reading (discretion of teacher)
Year 6	Reading 15-20 minutes at least 3 x per week Independent reading (discretion of teacher)

Adult or older person to hear them read aloud, comment and sign.

<u>What if reading becomes a challenge at</u> <u>home?</u>

•Try to avoid confrontation.

•Offer different reading material (e.g. magazine, internet, Oxford Owl, Epic digital library)

- •Encourage reading at different times of the day/week.
- •Buy/borrow books on tape to listen to.
- •Share books with children, read aloud to them, enjoy positive attitude.
- •Share the problem with your child's teacher!

https://www.getepic.com/

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/

Please remember...

They are not limited to school books!

We encourage reading to be fun and engaging, not a task or chore.

However... our children must understand the importance of reading!

Different types of texts can be read to further broaden their knowledge.

