***Questions to ask your child when reading***

**Before reading the book:**

• **Can you point to the title? or What is this? (pointing to the title)**

**• What do you think this story will be about? What might happen in the story?**

**• What do we call the writing on the back of the book? (Blurb) or What does the blurb tell us?**

**During the reading of the book:**

* **What is happening in the pictures?**

**• What has happened so far? Is it what you expected to happen?**

**• What might happen next? How do you think the story might end? Why do you think that?**

**• What sort of character is….? Is he/she friendly/ mean/ nice…? How would you describe him/her?**

**. What do certain phrases mean?**

**e.g. What do they mean by ‘pull your socks up’**

**. Explain why ………**



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**At the end of the book:**

• **Did you like this book? Why? (Encourage children to develop their opinion about books by encouraging them to explain their reasons)**

**Who, What, Why, When, where….**

**• What was your favourite part? Why?**

**• What sort of character was….? How do you know?**

**• Why did that character do … (give a situation/ event from the story)?**

**. Where were they when …….?**

**. Who said …….?**

**. When was the story set?**

**Are there any clues to help you work it out?**

**. When did …………. happen?**

**• What happened in the story at particular stages?**

**Encourage them to refer to the text to explain their answers.**

**. Can you retell the story in the correct sequence without using the book?**

* **Why do you think … ?**
* **How do you know …?**

**What other word could you use to replace …?**

**What does … mean?**