Key Learning in Reading: Year 3	Key Learning in Reading: Year 4
Word Reading	Word Reading
 Read books at an age appropriate interest level. 	Read books at an age appropriate interest level.
 Use knowledge of root words to understand meanings of words. 	 Use knowledge of root words to understand meanings of words.
 Use prefixes to understand meanings e.g. un-, dis-, mis-, re-, pre-, im-, in 	 Use prefixes to understand meanings, e.g. in-, ir-, sub-, inter- super-, anti-, auto
 Use suffixes to understand meanings e.gly, -ous. 	 Use suffixes to understand meanings, e.g.—ation, -tion, -ssion,-cian, -sion.
 Read and understand words from the Year 3 list (selected from the statutory Year 3/4 word list) – see below. 	 Read and understand words from the Year 4 list (selected from the statutory Year 3/4 word list) – see below.
Comprehension	Comprehension
Developing pleasure in reading and motivation to read	Developing pleasure in reading and motivation to read
 Listen to and discuss a range of fiction, poetry, plays and non-fiction, e.g. fables, fairy tales, classic poetry, shape poetry, non-chronological reports, explanations. 	 Listen to, read and discuss a range of fiction, poetry, plays and non-fiction in different forms, e.g. fairy tales, folk tales, classic poetry, kennings, advertisements, formal speeches, magazines, electronic texts.
 Regularly listen to whole novels read aloud by the teacher. 	 Regularly listen to whole novels read aloud by the teacher.
 Read a range of non-fiction texts, e.g. information, discussion, explanation, biography and persuasion. 	 Read books and texts for a range of purposes, e.g. enjoyment, research, reference.
Recognise some different forms of poetry, e.g. narrative, calligrams, shape poems.	 Recognise and analyse different forms of poetry, e.g. haiku, limericks, kennings.
	 Learn a range of poems by heart and rehearse for performance.
 Sequence and discuss the main events in stories. 	
 Orally retell a range of stories, including less familiar fairy stories, fables and folktales, e.g. Grimm's Fairy Tales. 	Orally retell a range of stories, including less familiar fairy stories, myths and legends.
 Identify and discuss themes, e.g. good over evil, weak and strong, wise and foolish, mean and generous, rich and poor. 	
 Identify and discuss conventions, e.g. numbers three and seven in fairy tales, magical sentence repeated several times. 	
 Prepare poems and play scripts to read aloud, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action. 	Prepare poems and play scripts to read aloud, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action.
Understanding books which they can read themselves and those which are read to them	Understanding books which they can read themselves and those which are read to them
 Identify, discuss and collect favourite words and phrases which capture the reader's interest and imagination. 	 Identify, discuss and collect effective words and phrases which capture the reader's interest and imagination, e.g. metaphors, similes.
 Explain the meaning of unfamiliar words by using the context. 	Explain the meaning of key vocabulary within the context of the text.
 Use dictionaries to check meanings of words they have read. 	Use dictionaries to check meanings of words in the texts that they read.
 Use intonation, tone and volume when reading aloud. 	 Use punctuation to determine intonation and expression when reading aloud to a
Take note of punctuation when reading aloud.	range of audiences.
Discuss their understanding of the text.	
 Raise questions during the reading process to deepen understanding, e.g. I wonder why the character. 	 Demonstrate active reading strategies, e.g. generating questions, finding answers, refining thinking, modifying questions, constructing images.

Key Learning in Writing: Year 3	Key Learning in Writing: Year 4
Composition	Composition
Vocabulary, grammar and punctuation	Vocabulary, grammar and punctuation
Identify clauses in sentences.	
 Explore and identify main and subordinate clauses in complex sentences. 	
Explore, identify and create complex sentences using a range of conjunctions, e.g. when, if because, although, while, since, until, before, after, so, as	
	 Create complex sentences with adverb starters, e.g. Silently trudging through the snow, Sam made his way up the mountain.
 Use the comma to separate clauses in complex sentences where the subordinate clause appears first, e.g. Although it was raining, we decided not to take our coats. 	Use commas to mark clauses in complex sentences.
	 Use commas after fronted adverbials.
 Identify, select, generate and effectively use prepositions for where, e.g. above, below, beneath, within, outside, beyond. 	 Create sentences with fronted adverbials for where, e.g. In the distance, a lone wolf howled.
 Select, generate and effectively use adverbs e.g. suddenly, silently, soon, next, eventually. 	 Create sentences with fronted adverbials for when, e.g. As the clock strucktwelve, the soldiers sprang into action.
Use inverted commas to punctuate direct speech (speech marks).	 Use inverted commas and other punctuation to indicate direct speech, e.g. The tour guide announced, "Be back here at four o' clock."
 Use perfect form of verbs using have and has to indicate a completed action, e.g. He has gone out to play (present perfect) instead of he went out to play (simple past). 	
 Use the determiner a or an according to whether the next word begins with a 	Identify, select and use determiners including:
consonant or vowel, e.g. <i>a rock, an open box</i> .	- articles: a/an, the
	- demonstratives: this/that; these/those
	- possessives: my/your/his/her/its/our/their - quantifiers: some, any, no, many, much, every
 Explore and collect word families, e.g. medical, medicine, medicinal, medic, paramedic, medically to extend vocabulary. 	
Explore and collect nouns with prefixes super, anti, auto.	
	Identify, select and effectively use pronouns.
	 Use nouns for precision, e.g. burglar rather than man, bungalow rather than house.
	 Explore, identify, collect and use noun phrases and expanded noun phrases, e.g. the crumbly cookie with tasty marshmallow pieces.
	 Explore, identify and use Standard English verb inflections for writing, e.g. We were instead of we was. I was instead of I were, I did instead of I done. She saw it instead of she seen it.