


Dear Parents and Carers,

We have put together the following information to help you work with your child on their reading at home.

In Year 4 we would encourage you to listen to your child read several times a week. By listening to your child read, you will be helping to improve their fluency and you can also encourage them to put expression into their reading and question them on the book to check their comprehension. When questioning your child about their book it may be useful to use the grid below to help develop a higher level of thinking. For example, from looking at the grid you can see that if you are asking a 'what is?' question, then your child will simply be taking information directly from the text. Whereas, if you are asking a 'how will or how might?' question, then your child will have to use a higher level of thinking and their inference skills to find the answer.

Your child may even be able to use the grid below and make up their own questions about their book.

Question Matrix



Lower > > > > > > > > > > Higher											
	Is?	Did?	Can?	Would?	Will?	Might?					
What?											
Where?											
When?											
Who?											
Why?											
How?											

We have also put a reading list of recommended books in the Year 4 curriculum on the website that you may like to have a look at. If you still want further ideas for books that your child may enjoy then we would encourage you to have a look on the **Reading Rockets** website under the Children's Books and Authors Section. You can look under **book finder** or **themed books** to finding exciting new books. Your child can help with this search! <https://www.readingrockets.org/books>

If you have any other questions then please get in touch.

Thank you for all your support.

The Year 4 Team