

Year 3 text passages

Unit	Target skill	Title	Author	Genre
1	Summarising	The Pebble in My Pocket	Meredith Hooper	Non-fiction
2	Retrieval	Stone Circles	Dawn Finch	Non-fiction
3	Relationship	My Brother Is a Superhero	David Solomons	Fiction
4	Inference	The Magic Finger	Roald Dahl	Fiction
5	Summarising	Sugar: The Facts	The NHS	Non-fiction
6	Retrieval	Prawn Pizza	Jane Sowerby	Non-fiction
7	Word choice	The Iron Man	Ted Hughes	Fiction
Progress check 1	Mixed skills	The Selfish Giant	Oscar Wilde	Fiction
8	Inference	The Ice Palace	Robert Swindells	Fiction
9	Retrieval	A House of Snow and Ice	Stephen Whitt	Non-fiction
10	Inference	The Heavenly River (Chinese Myths and Legends)	Shelley Fu	Fiction
11	Comparison	New Year Celebrations	Jane Sowerby	Non-fiction
12	Word meaning	Night Comes Too Soon	James Berry	Poetry
13	Inference	Tom's Midnight Garden	Philippa Pearce	Fiction
14	Word meaning	The Story of Tutankhamun	Patricia Cleveland-Peck	Non-fiction
Progress check 2	Mixed skills	Secrets of a Sun King	Emma Carroll	Fiction
15	Word choice	The Butterfly Lion	Michael Morpurgo	Fiction
16	Retrieval	Wild Animals to Be Banned from Circuses in England by 2020, Says Government	<i>The Independent</i>	Non-fiction
17	Word meaning	Alice's Adventures in Wonderland	Lewis Carroll	Fiction
18	Inference	The Madhatters	Aoife Mannix	Poetry
19	Inference	Stig of the Dump (Extract 1)	Clive King	Fiction
20	Prediction	Stig of the Dump (Extract 2)	Clive King	Fiction
21	Retrieval	Norse Mythology	Neil Gaiman	Fiction
Progress check 3	Mixed skills	Discover the Vikings: Warriors, Exploration and Trade	John C. Miles	Non-fiction

Year 4 text passages

Unit	Target skill	Title	Author	Genre
1	Summarising	Roman Britain	Ruth Brocklehurst	Non-fiction
2	Retrieval	The Time-Travelling Cat and the Roman Eagle	Julia Jarman	Fiction
3	Retrieval	Volcanoes in Action	Anita Ganeri	Non-fiction
4	Word meaning	Tsunamis on the Move	International Tsunami Information Center, Hawaii, USA	Non-fiction
5	Word meaning	Russian Doll	Rachel Rooney	Poetry
6	Inference	The Little Daughter of the Snow	Arthur Ransome	Fiction
7	Retrieval	The History behind Christmas Traditions	<i>The Telegraph</i>	Non-fiction
Progress check 1	Mixed skills	A Christmas Tree	Charles Dickens	Fiction
8	Relationship	The Moomins and the Great Flood	Tove Jansson	Fiction
9	Inference	For Forest	Grace Nichols	Poetry
10	Retrieval	The Borrowers	Mary Norton	Fiction
11	Prediction	Max and the Millions	Ross Montgomery	Fiction
12	Inference	My Secret War Diary by Flossie Albright	Marcia Williams	Fiction
13	Inference	The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips	Michael Morpurgo	Fiction
14	Inference	The Secret World of Polly Flint	Helen Cresswell	Fiction
Progress check 2	Mixed skills	Heatwave Raises Lost 'Atlantis' Village from Its Watery Grave	<i>Daily Mail</i>	Non-fiction
15	Retrieval	Threats to African Elephants	World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)	Non-fiction
16	Inference	The Great Elephant Chase	Gillian Cross	Fiction
17	Retrieval	Black Beauty	Anna Sewell	Fiction
18	Word meaning	Charlotte's Web	E.B. White	Fiction
19	Word choice	A Series of Unfortunate Events: The Bad Beginning	Lemony Snicket	Fiction
20	Word meaning	Little Women	Louisa May Alcott	Fiction
21	Comparison	Everything Castles	Crispin Boyer	Non-fiction
Progress check 3	Mixed skills	Sir Gawain and the Green Knight	Michael Morpurgo	Fiction

Year 5 text passages

Unit	Target skill	Title	Author	Genre
1	Retrieval	Dragonology	Dugald Steer	Fiction
2	Comparison	How to Train Your Dragon	Cressida Cowell	Fiction
3	Summarising	Life in Tudor Britain	Anita Ganeri	Non-fiction
4	Word meaning	Love Letter from Mary Tudor to Her Husband, Philip of Spain	Brian Moses	Poetry
5	Inference	The House with Chicken Legs	Sophie Anderson	Fiction
6	Prediction	The Wizards of Once	Cressida Cowell	Fiction
7	Inference	The Polar Bear Explorers' Club	Alex Bell	Fiction
Progress check 1	Mixed skills	A Boy Called Christmas	Matt Haig	Fiction
8	Retrieval	The Wolf Wilder	Katherine Rundell	Fiction
9	Word meaning	The Wolves of Willoughby Chase	Joan Aiken	Fiction
10	Word choice	Whale Boy	Nicola Davies	Fiction
11	Relationship	SeaWorld Decides to Stop Killer Whale Breeding Program	<i>The Guardian</i>	Non-fiction
12	Summarising	Beetle Boy	M.G. Leonard	Fiction
13	Word meaning	Beetle Boy: The Beetle Collector's Handbook	M.G. Leonard	Non-fiction
14	Inference	The Boy at the Back of the Class	Onjali Q. Raúf	Fiction
Progress check 2	Mixed skills	Who are Refugees and Migrants? And Other Big Questions	Michael Rosen and Annemarie Young	Non-fiction
15	Retrieval	The Jamie Drake Equation	Christopher Edge	Fiction
16	Word meaning	Once Upon a Star	James Carter	Poetry
17	Retrieval	Harry Houdini	Laura Lodge	Non-fiction
18	Inference	The Nowhere Emporium	Ross MacKenzie	Fiction
19	Retrieval	Plague!	John Farnon	Non-fiction
20	Inference	The Island at the End of Everything	Kiran Millwood Hargrave	Fiction
21	Inference	The London Eye Mystery	Siobhan Dowd	Fiction
Progress check 3	Mixed skills	The Last Chance Hotel	Nicki Thornton	Fiction

Year 6 text passages

Unit	Target skill	Title	Author	Genre
1	Inference	Who Let the Gods Out?	Maz Evans	Fiction
2	Retrieval	To Asgard!	Rachel Piercey	Poetry
3	Summarising	Hidden Figures	Margot Lee Shetterly	Non-fiction
4	Relationship	The British (serves 60 million)	Benjamin Zephaniah	Poetry
5	Inference	War Horse	Michael Morpurgo	Fiction
6	Word meaning	For the Fallen	Laurence Binyon	Poetry
7	Prediction	Sky Song	Abi Elphinstone	Fiction
Progress check 1	Mixed skills	The Snow Queen	Hans Christian Andersen	Fiction
8	Inference	Tin	Pádraig Kenny	Fiction
9	Retrieval	The Wonderful Wizard of Oz	L. Frank Baum	Fiction
10	Inference	Welcome to Nowhere	Elizabeth Laird	Fiction
11	Retrieval	Malala Yousafzai: 'Nobel Award Is for All the Voiceless Children'	<i>The Guardian</i>	Non-fiction
12	Inference	The Crooked Sixpence	Jennifer Bell	Fiction
13	Word meaning	Cogheart	Peter Bunzl	Fiction
14	Comparison	Alice's Adventures in Wonderland	Lewis Carroll	Fiction
Progress check 2	Mixed skills	The Hunting of the Snark	Lewis Carroll	Poetry
15	Summarising	What's So Special about Shakespeare?	Michael Rosen	Non-fiction
16	Retrieval	Macbeth	William Shakespeare	Play
17	Word meaning	Deforestation for Palm Oil	Rainforest Rescue	Non-fiction
18	Word choice	The Explorer	Katherine Rundell	Fiction
19	Inference	Pig-Heart Boy	Malorie Blackman	Fiction
20	Retrieval	Marius the Giraffe Killed at Copenhagen Zoo	<i>The Guardian</i>	Non-fiction
21	Word meaning	Evolution Revolution	Robert Winston	Non-fiction
Progress check 3	Mixed skills	Charles Darwin: History's Most Famous Biologist	Kerry Lotzof	Non-fiction