...read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound. ...apply knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes to read aloud and to understand the meaning of unfamiliar words.

...attempt pronunciation of unfamiliar words drawing on prior knowledge of similar looking words.

...select books for specific purposes, especially in relation to science, geography and history learning.

...use a dictionary to check the meaning of unfamiliar words.

...discuss and record words and phrases that writers use to engage and impact on the reader.

...identify some of the literary conventions in different texts.

...identify the (simple) themes in texts.



The Year 4 Reader
'I can...'

...explain the meaning of words in context.

...ask relevant questions to improve my understanding of a text.

...infer meanings and begin to justify them with evidence from the text.

...prepare poems to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action.

...use non-fiction texts to retrieve information.

...build on others' ideas and opinions about a text in discussion.

...identify some text type organisational features, for examples, narrative, explanation and persuasion.

...predict what might happen from details stated and from the information I have deduced.