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Parent Comment Ideas for your Reading Communication Record

Dear Parents

Thank you to all the parents who have downloaded the app BoomReader to record home and school reading. We have enjoyed reading your comments and seeing how much your child is reading at home.

To get the most from this home/school communication and parental engagement, please find listed below a list of comments which may help you with writing about how your child has read to you at home. To build a realistic picture of your child's reading and to support your child's reading journey, we believe that it is essential for both parents and teachers to have an open and honest dialogue recorded with both positive and developmental comments.

The statements below are just a guide; please feel free to alter the wording and write what best suits your experiences.

- Read familiar words independently.
- Able to predict what happens next in the text.
- Showed good understanding of the text
- Read with good expression.
- Worked out new words independently.
- Worked out new words by sounding them out.
- Discussed the story and characters well.
- Used good spoken expression
- Enjoyed reading this book a lot
- Self-corrected own errors independently
- Used the picture cues and the first sound of a word to work out words
- Read with fluency and expression
- Struggled to concentrate.
- He/she made a number of errors because they were not looking carefully enough
- Would not read tonight
- Self-corrected his/her own errors
- Found this book too hard to read
- Able to read this book with lots of help
- Struggled to work out a lot of the vocabulary
- Reading sounded robotic and stilted
- Created tension as he did not want to read
- Did not understand what she/ he has read

Teachers will monitor comments and reply as necessary. Reading books will be changed once you have completed the book and a comment has been made. Your teacher may ask you to read the book again to develop their comprehension, fluency or inference skills.

For more information, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

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