



KS2 Reading 2026



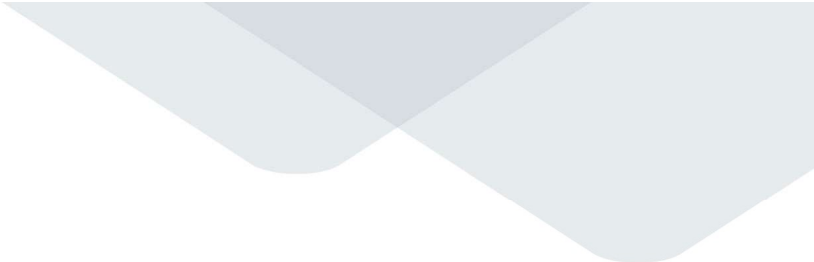
2026 Reading Test KS2

Content Domain Coverage

2a	2b	2c	2d	2e	2f	2g	2h
<i>Give or explain the meaning of words in context.</i>	<i>Retrieve and record information or identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.</i>	<i>Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph.</i>	<i>Make inferences from the text or explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.</i>	<i>Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.</i>	<i>Identify and / or explain how information or narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole.</i>	<i>Identify and / or explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases.</i>	<i>Make comparisons within the text.</i>
5	18	2	21	0	2	2	0
10%	36%	4%	42%	0%	4%	4%	0%

92% of questions assessed vocabulary, retrieval and inference.

(2026 KS2 English Reading Test Mark Schemes, STA, pp4-5)



Compared to previous years ...



2025 Reading Test KS2

Content Domain Coverage

2a	2b	2c	2d	2e	2f	2g	2h
<i>Give or explain the meaning of words in context.</i>	<i>Retrieve and record information or identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.</i>	<i>Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph.</i>	<i>Make inferences from the text or explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.</i>	<i>Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.</i>	<i>Identify and / or explain how information or narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole.</i>	<i>Identify and / or explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases.</i>	<i>Make comparisons within the text.</i>
6	15	3	24	0	0	1	1
12%	30%	6%	48%	0%	0%	2%	2%

92% of questions assessed vocabulary, retrieval and inference.

(2025 KS2 English Reading Test Mark Schemes, STA, pp4-5)

2024 Reading Test KS2

Content Domain Coverage

2a	2b	2c	2d	2e	2f	2g	2h
<i>Give or explain the meaning of words in context.</i>	<i>Retrieve and record information or identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.</i>	<i>Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph.</i>	<i>Make inferences from the text or explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.</i>	<i>Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.</i>	<i>Identify and / or explain how information or narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole.</i>	<i>Identify and / or explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases.</i>	<i>Make comparisons within the text.</i>
5	19	1	22	0	0	0	3
10%	38%	2%	44%	0%	0%	0%	6%

92% of questions assessed vocabulary, retrieval and inference.

(2024 KS2 English Reading Test Mark Schemes, STA, pp4-5)

2023 Reading Test KS2

Content Domain Coverage

2a	2b	2c	2d	2e	2f	2g	2h
<i>Give or explain the meaning of words in context.</i>	<i>Retrieve and record information or identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.</i>	<i>Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph.</i>	<i>Make inferences from the text or explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.</i>	<i>Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.</i>	<i>Identify and / or explain how information or narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole.</i>	<i>Identify and / or explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases.</i>	<i>Make comparisons within the text.</i>
9	16	1	23	0	1	0	0
18%	32%	2%	46%	0%	2%	0%	0%

96% of questions assessed vocabulary, retrieval and inference.

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