

Turquoise Band readers can...

- Read longer books with less reliance on illustrations
- Read with pace and fluency
- Sustain reading through longer sentences and paragraphs
- Read with greater expression by paying attention to punctuation and the page layout
- Try more complex words using known vocabulary, phonic knowledge and syllables i.e. yes/ter/day
- Use index and glossary alphabetically in non-fiction texts

How to help...

- Ask them about unusual words and their meaning
- Relate the story back to them- has it happened to you? What would you do?
- Find and talk about information from non-fiction books

Questions you could ask

- Why did that character do that? (at different parts in the story)
- How was the character feeling? Why?
- Has that happened you? What choice would you make?
- Why did that happen? (throughout reading)
- What do you think will happen next? Why?
- Would you recommend the story to a friend? Why?

