









The SBCway Methodology

The #SBCway for Reading is underpinned by.

- The Simple View of Reading.
- Scarborough's Reading Rope
- Five Pillars of Reading Instruction
- SBC Reading pillars and Four underlying foundations (see above)

See SBCway Reading methodology Document for more details.

Key messages from "SBC Literacy and English Strategy"

All of our learners will experience daily high-quality learning, teaching and assessment.

Our school and settings promote daily opportunities for reading, writing, listening and talking.

Teachers plan opportunities for learners to make connections across reading, writing, listening, and talking.

Adults in our schools and communities are Literacy Role Models, promoting reading, writing, talking and listening as an enjoyable and engaging experience.









		First Level				
	1. E	Building a Reading Culture	and Environment			
Key Messages	SBC Literacy and English Strategy 'Promoting reading for pleasure can and do	es raise attainment and improves wider achie	vement.'			
*refer to Guidance		·				
Document for further	Culture					
information	We ensure there are opportunities for cross curricular learning in reading.					
	We engage with authors and novels as part of					
	We celebrate World Book Day, Scottish Book We read aloud to our learners every day.	week and other national events.				
	We provide opportunities for our learners to	read every day.				
	We provide opportunities for our realities to	read every day.				
	Environment					
		We showcase Literacy 'Learning Walls/Journeys' and celebrate these in both classrooms and communal areas within our school.				
		lass library (book nook etc.) engagement and e				
	We provide opportunities for our learners to	read as they play e.g. providing building them	ed books in the construction area or providing	an activity linked to a book.		
	Phase 1	Phase 1 Phase 2 Phase 3 Benchmark				
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Enjoyment and Choice	Learners select a text for enjoyment.	Learners select texts for enjoyment	Learners select texts for enjoyment	Selects different texts regularly for		
	considering text difficulty, cover, title,	considering text difficulty, cover, title,	considering text difficulty, cover, title,	enjoyment or for a specific purpose using,		
LIT1-11a	illustrations, and author.	illustration, author, and characters.	illustration, author, characters, and blurb.	for example, cover, title, author, illustrator		
				and/or blurb.		
	Learners discuss what they are reading	Learners discuss what they are reading	Learners regularly select texts for			
	with others; why they like some books	with others; why they like some books and	enjoyment and for a specific purpose. Learners recommend books to others.	Explains preferences for particular texts and authors.		
	more than others/preferences.	authors more than others/preferences.	Learners recommend books to others.	una authors.		
		Learners actively engage with a chosen text	Learners actively engage with a chosen text			
		for a sustained period (10 – 15 mins)	for a sustained period (15-20 minutes).			
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	First Level						
	2. Developing Skills for Reading						
	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Benchmark			
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Tools for Reading	Learners blend to decode unfamiliar words using taught graphemes and corresponding phonemes. *	Learners blend to decode unfamiliar words of increasing complexity. *	Learners blend to decode unfamiliar words of increasing complexity. *	Reads aloud a familiar piece of text adding expression and can show understanding.			
Phonemic Awareness	Learners review the Simple Code and explore 'One Grapheme Alternative'.	Learners are introduced to the Complex Code to enhance their understanding of grapheme phoneme correspondences.	Learners build on their knowledge of the Complex Code to enhance their understanding of alternative grapheme phoneme correspondences.	Reads an increasing number of common words, key reading words, core topic words and words of personal significance.			
Phonics ENG1-12a LIT1-13a		Learners read words with a simple suffix 'ing'. Learners read words with 's' plurals.	Learners read words with simple suffixes such as 'ing' and 'ed'. Learners read words with 's' and 'es' plurals.	Uses a range of word recognition strategies independently.			
*refer to Phonics Progression for further information	Learners read taught common exception words correctly.	Learners read taught common exception words correctly.	Learners read taught common exception words correctly.	Decodes unknown words by locating and pronouncing familiar letter patterns and blends.			
Tools for Reading	Learners begin to read with expression and voice tone.	Learners read with increased expression and voice tone.	Learners read with appropriate expression and voice tone.	Uses context clues to read and understand texts.			
Fluency	Learners recognise and explain the impact that capital letters, full stops, and question marks have on expression and pace.	Learners recognise and explain the impact that capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks have on expression and pace.	Learners have an increased awareness of the impact that punctuation has on expression and pace.	Uses punctuation and grammar to read with understanding and expression.			
ENG1-12a LIT1-13a		Learners show awareness of direct speech when reading.	Learners show an increased awareness of direct speech when reading.				
		Learners notice changes to print such as bold writing and capitalisation and take this into account when reading.	Learners show an increased understanding of changes to print such as bold writing and capitalisation and take this into account when reading.				









		Across First Level		
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Tools for Reading	Learners can read and understand an increasing amount of tier 1 vocabulary that is linked to other areas of the curriculum. Learners explore an increasing amount of tier 2 vocabulary that is appropriate to their context to deepen their knowledge base. Learners discuss an increasing amount of tier 3 vocabulary to promote their curiosity of the world.			Reads an increasing number of common words, key reading words,
	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	core topic words and words of personal
Vocabulary		· · · · · · · ·	-	significance.
ENG1-12a LIT1-13a	Learners use the cover, title, and illustrations to help develop an understanding of a text.	Learners use the cover, title, illustrations, and characters to help develop an understanding of a text.	Learners use the cover, title, illustrations, characters, author, and blurb to help develop an understanding of a text.	Uses a range of word recognition strategies independently.
	Learners identify nouns and simple adjectives in a text.	Learners identify nouns, verbs, simple adjectives, and connectives in a text.	Learners identify nouns, verbs, adjectives, simple adverbs, and connectives in a text.	Decodes unknown words by locating and pronouncing familiar letter patterns and blends.
		With support, learners make sense of the past and the present.	Learners make sense of the past and the present.	Uses context clues to read and understand texts.
		Learners organise a list of words in	Learners organise a list of words in	
	Learners can:	alphabetical order. Learners can:	alphabetical order (first and second letter). Learners can:	
Links with Listening and Talking and Writing Curriculum 'A guide to progression and	 Read and talk about the word Categorise the word. Identify the purpose and function of the word. Syllabise the word. Use actions or visual cues to retain the word. 	 Read, write and talk about the word Categorise the word. Identify the purpose and function of the word. Syllabise the word. Identify the size of the word. 	 Read, write and talk about the word Categorise the word. Identify the explanation of a word in everyday language. Syllabise the word. Identify the size of the word. 	
development.'	- Use the word in a sentence	 Use actions or visual cues to retain the word. Create rhyming words connected to the word – real or nonsense. Use the word in context. 	- Create rhyming words connected to the word – real or nonsense Identify some simple synonyms and antonyms Use the word in more than one context.	
Tier 1 Vocabulary	Tier 1 Vocabulary words are high frequency words, u of them are learned through oral communication.	sed repeatedly during general conversation. Becau	se tier one words are basic everyday words, most	e.g. table, happy, computer, clock able
Tier 2 Vocabulary	Tier 2 Vocabulary words are high-frequency words the need explicit instruction.	at are frequently seen across multiple subjects. Th	ey are more difficult to learn than Tier 1 words and	e.g. enthusiastic, stumbled, shuddered
Tier 3 Vocabulary	Tier 3 Vocabulary words are low frequency words that	at are technical specialist vocabulary around a parti	cular context.	e.g. tornado, thermometer, multiplication









	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Benchmark
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Finding and Using Information	Learners distinguish between fiction and non-fiction texts.	Learners use simple contents and index pages in non-fiction texts to find information.	Learners use contents and index pages in non-fiction texts to find desired information.	Identifies the key features of non-fiction texts.
	Learners find key information when given a key question.	Learners find key information when given key questions.	Learners identify what information they need to find within a text and with support create some simple key questions.	Uses contents, index, subheadings, and diagrams to help locate information.
Comprehension LIT1-14a LIT1-15a	With support, learners find and highlight key information from a non-fiction text (e.g. find	Learners find and highlight key pieces of information from a non-fiction text. (e.g.	Learners highlight relevant key information within a text. E.g. highlighter pen,	Find key information from a text using different strategies.
L111-15a	where frogs live)	where a fox lives, what a fox eats)	underlining key words.	Makes notes under given headings for different purposes.
	With support, learners can use a contents page and headings and diagrams to find desired information in non-fiction texts.	Learners use visual organisers such as contents page, headings, subheadings, and diagrams in non-fiction texts to find desired information.	Learners recognise and use visual organisers in non-fiction texts to find desired information. E.g. headings, subheadings, diagrams, tables.	
	Learners demonstrate an awareness of a search engine.	With support, learners suggest key words to use in a search engine to find out desired information.	Learners use key words in a search engine to find desired information.	
	Note Taking Learners draw pictures to represent notes from a non-fiction text. Learners can use notes to create their own simple poster, labelled picture, or sentence.	Note Taking With support, learners can make notes under given headings for different purposes. With support learners can use notes to form their own simple text.	Note Taking Learners make notes under given headings for to summarise findings. Learners suggest some simple headings to help organise information. Learners use the information to form their own simple text.	
Fact and Opinion	Learners know that fact is true and with support, can identify these within a text.	Learners know that fact is true and can identify these within a text.	Learners recognise, discuss and share opinions about facts and opinions in a text.	Recognises the difference between fact and opinion.
Comprehension	Learners know that an opinion is the view of someone and with support, can identify these within a text.	Learners know that an opinion is the view of someone and can identify these within a text.		
LIT1-18a		Learners can recognise different opinions.		









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Making Connections	Learners identify with characters and relate their experiences and feelings to their own;	Learners relate the key messages in a text to their own experiences; similar or	Learners can identify the writer's message and relate it to their own experiences;	Offers own ideas about the writers' message and, when appropriate, relates
Text to Self Text to Text	similar or different.	different.	similar or different.	these to personal experiences.
Text to World	With support, learners can make a simple connection to previously read texts.	Learners make simple connections to previously read or related texts.	Learners make connections to previously read or related texts.	Answers literal, inferential and evaluative questions about texts.
	Learners can discuss how their prior knowledge relates to the text/topic.	Learners make connections to subject specific areas.	Learners make connections to subject knowledge, domain specific knowledge and	Ask questions to help make sense of a text.
Comprehension		Learners relate texts to events, historical contexts, cultures etc.	events, relevant to the text.	Identify main ideas of a text.
ENG1-19a		contexts, cultures etc.	Learners can begin to discuss how their prior knowledge relates to the topic, and how this can affect their understanding of a text.	Makes appropriate suggestions about the purpose of a text. Offers own ideas about the characters,
Questioning	Learners ask questions to help make sense of a text - who, what, where, when.*	Learners ask questions to help make sense of a text - who, what, where, when why. *	Learners ask questions to help make sense of a text - who, what, where, when, why, how.*	writer's choice of language, structure, and setting.
Comprehension ENG1-17a	Learners use texts to answer simple questions.	Learners use texts to answer different types of questions providing a simple detail to evidence the answer.	Learners use texts to answer a range of questions providing details to evidence the answer.	
*refer to Questioning Padlet for further information	With support, learners can create simple questions about a text.	Learners can create questions about a text.	Learners create a range of different questions about a text.	
Inference	Learners use texts to answer simple inferential questions.	Learners use texts to answer inferential questions providing a simple detail to evidence their answer. Learners create inferential questions	Learners use texts to answer inferential questions providing details to evidence the answer. Learners create inferential questions about	
Comprehension		about a text. (why?)	a text. (Why? How?)	
ENG1-17a	Learners share an opinion for the authors message about characters, setting and events	With support, learners infer details about characters, setting and events using	Learners infer details about characters, setting, events and structure using	
Links with questioning above.	in the text. Learners talk about a simple cause and effect	evidence from the text and their prior knowledge. Learners use simple cause and effect	evidence from the text and their prior knowledge.	
	to discuss the connections between events in texts.	models and simple chains to discuss the connections between events in texts.	Learners draw a simple conclusion about cause-and-effect relationships in a text.	









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Learners demonstrate an understanding of different purposes of texts.	Learners identify and explain the purpose of texts.	Learners identify and explain the purpose of a range of texts. Learners identify and discuss the writers' point of view.	Makes appropriate suggestions about the purpose of a text. Offers own ideas about the characters,
With support, learners use clarifying strategies to identify the meaning of words in	Learners use clarifying strategies to identify the meaning of words in text.	Learners use clarifying strategies to clarify the meaning of words in texts.	writer's choice of language, structure, and setting.
With support learners share an oninion	Learners can identify when a writer is	Learners can comment on writers' effective	Uses context clues to read and understand texts.
about the writers' choice of words.	using effective word choice.	features.	Ask questions to help make sense of a text.
With support, learners make a simple predictions about a text based on hints and clues.	Learners make simple predictions about a text based on hints and clues and provide a simple detail to evidence their answer.	Learners make an accurate prediction about a text based on hints and clues and providing details to evidence the answer.	Identify main ideas of a text.
		Learners can give a simple alternative ending to a story.	
With support, learners can identify some ideas or events of a text.	Learners can identify some idea or events of a text.	Learners can identify the main ideas or events of texts.	
Learners can retell some facts and events (who, what, where and when) from a text.	Learners can retell facts and events (who, what, where when and why) from a text.	Learners can summarise facts and events (who, what, where, when and why) about a text.	
Learners can sequence key events (beginning, middle and ending) in a text in the correct order.	Learners can sequence key events in a text in the correct order.	Learners can use simple transition words to summarise the main ideas of a text in the correct order.	
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Visualising	With support, learners create simple	Learners use organised models and	Learners begin to use more complex	
	organised model to share their	graphic organisers to share their	models and graphic organisers to display	The Bigger
	understanding of a text. E.g.	understanding of a text. E.g.	their understanding of a text. E.g.	Picture
	Story maps	Simple Story Mountain	Spider diagrams	Making Inferences
■ ■	Supported mind maps.	Mind maps.	Mind maps.	Inferences
Comprehension	Pictures of characters	Simple tables	Venn diagrams	
			Story mountain	Making Connections Summarising
			Tables	Visualising
	Learners talk about a simple cause or effect	Learners use a simple cause and effect	Learners create cause and effect organised	
	for an event in a story. E.g.	organised model to discuss the	models and simple chains to discuss the	Asking Questions Predicting
	When the dragon belted out smoke this caused	relationships between events in texts.	relationships between events in texts.	
	Learners illustrate the sequence of a story.	Learners use simple timelines to sequence events in a story.	Learners use timelines to sequence events in a story.	









First Level

3. Creating Independent and Engaged Readers

Key Messages

*refer to Support Document for further information The SBCway promotes the approaches below to enrich the learning experiences for our learners to allow them to engage with the core skills to develop independence and confidence. We provide opportunities for learners to apply the skills of reading in a balanced, range of guided reading and fluency contexts across a variety of genres.

Guided Reading is the high-quality LTA and pedagogy that explicitly teaches the skills for reading in different contexts: this includes Reciprocal Reading, Shared Texts, Novel/Author Studies, and Reflective Reading.

- Reciprocal Reading is an instructional activity in which students become the teacher in small group reading sessions. Teachers model, then support learners to structure group discussions using strategies such as: predicating, summarising, questioning, and clarifying.
- Shared Reading is an interactive reading experience. Learners analyse and interact with a short piece of text/book. The shared reading sometimes oversized books or 'big books' with enlarged print or illustrations, a digital copy displayed on the board/iPad or a physical copy of a text/photocopy.
- A **Novel/Author Study** is an opportunity for learners to engage with a text/texts either as a whole class or as a group. They enjoy reading and discussing the text/texts together and will collaboratively design a programme of study to celebrate cross curricular links.
- Reflective Reading can be used to ensure that higher order thinking skills are applied and embedded independently by children.

Enhancing learner's Fluency by providing opportunities to read and re-read a range of stories and informational texts is vitally important. This can be done individually, with a partner or as a Choral Reading group. Introducing learners to new or difficult vocabulary before they read on their own provides an opportunity for learner's knowledge to build. Learners should hear modelled examples of 'reading with expression'.

- Choral Reading is reading aloud in unison with a whole class or group of learners. It helps builds fluency, self-confidence and motivation. Learners who ordinarily feel self-conscious or nervous about reading aloud have built-in-support.
- Paired Reading/Reading Trios is a research-based fluency strategy. In this strategy, learners read aloud to each other. When using partners/trios, more fluent readers can be paired with less fluent readers.

	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
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Guided Reading	Learners will be introduced to Reciprocal Reading, Shared Reading, Novel/Author Studies or Reflective Reading.	Learners will develop their ability to discuss, understand, reflect and apply information from a text through Reciprocal Reading, Shared Reading, Novel/Author Studies or Reflective Reading.	Learners will become more independent in their ability to discuss, understand, reflect and apply information from a text through Reciprocal Reading, Shared Reading, Novel/Author Studies or Reflective Reading.
	Learners will be introduced to <i>reading comprehension strategies</i> that prompt discussions, reflections and questioning.	Learners will, with support, use taught reading comprehension strategies to engage in higher order thinking, discussions, reflections, and questioning.	Learners will become more independent in <i>using reading comprehension strategies</i> to engage in more complex higher-order thinking, discussions, reflections, and questioning.



	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
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Fluency	Learners: read aloud with some expression and voice tone. use their phonemic knowledge and skills to decode unfamiliar words, check that a word 'sounds right', understand what they have read. recognise and explain the impact that capital letters, full stops, and question marks have on expression and pace.	 Learners: read aloud with increased expression and voice tone. use their phonemic knowledge and skills with increased accuracy, build confidence with fluency to allow them to focus on understanding, rather than on decoding individual words, correct inaccurate reading, understand what they have read. read unfamiliar/new words outside their spoken vocabulary, making a good guess at pronunciation. recognise and explain the impact that capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks and direct speech have on expression and pace. 	 Learners: read aloud with appropriate expression and voice tone. use their phonemic knowledge and skills with increased pace and accuracy, build confidence with fluency to allow them to focus on understanding, rather than on decoding individual words, correct inaccurate reading, understand what they have read, read unfamiliar/new words outside their spoken vocabulary, making a good guess at pronunciation, gradually internalise the reading process to read new texts silently to themselves. have an increased awareness of the impact that a wide range of punctuation has on expression and pace.
	Learners read on average 40 WPM (words per minute).	Learners read on average, 90 WPM.	Learners read on average, 110 WPM.