Brown

To help your child to make good progress they should be reading daily.

Use the ideas below to help you.

Can your child...

Look at the book together

 What is the genre of the book: sci-fi, mystery, historical, fantasy, adventure, horror, comedy? What are the features that make you think this?

Talk about the book

- Interpret more sophisticated word-play and puns
- Distinguish the narrator's voice from the characters' voices and discuss how they are different.
- Whose perspective is the story told from? Explain how you know.

Fiction:

- Do you think the author intended you to like / dislike this character? How do you know?
- Does your opinion of this character change during the story? How? Why?
- Find two things the author wrote about this character that made him / her likeable?
- If you met one of the characters from the story, what would you say to him / her?
- If the author had included another paragraph before the story started what do you think it would say?
- Did this book make you laugh? Can you explain what was funny and why?

Non-fiction:

- Do you think the title of the book is appropriate? What would you have called it?
- When do you think this book was written? How do you know? Does it matter? What would it be like if it was written now?
- What is the purpose of this book? How do you know?
- Why is this page laid out in this way? Could you improve it?

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