

**WOW! You are
now on GREY
Bookband**



Your Targets:

- Develop own opinions of characters in a story
- Explain a character's motivations
- Understand the use of word-plays and puns
- Understand the use of figurative and literal language
- Make notes and highlight the key events in a story
- Talk in different voices to represent each character and narration
- Have a wider knowledge of narration styles

What is a Grey level book?

Children reading Grey banded books will be able to interpret more sophisticated word-play and understand a range of narration styles. Children should now be able to discuss the characters and narrator in much more detail. Children at this level may enjoy silent reading more, so allow time for regular quiet reading sessions.

How to support your child with Grey level books:

Your child may not want to read aloud to you so often now because they probably enjoy silent reading more. This is fine as long as your child continues to read actively when they are not reading aloud and does not just skim over the words. You can help them by:

- ✓ Continuing to make a time available for regular quiet reading sessions, and reading your book while your child reads.
- ✓ Asking them to choose a part of the text to read aloud, using expression and pausing in suitable places.
- ✓ Having a conversation at the end of each reading session: can they tell you what's happening in their book?
- ✓ Asking questions which make your child go back to the book to find answers - support them as they develop skills in skimming and scanning to find the information to answer your question.
- ✓ Continuing to read aloud to your child at bedtime. This shows them the importance you place on reading as well as developing their language, vocabulary and love of story.