Read a wide range of books including, myths, legends, modern and classic fiction, books from other cultures, poetry, plays and non-fiction.

Participate in discussions and explanations about books, including through formal presentations and debates, providing reasons for their views.

Check the book makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and exploring the meaning of words. Summarise the main ideas. Use evidence from what they are reading to infer the feelings, thoughts and motives of characters.
Discuss an author's use of language.

Spelling:

Year 5&6 'tricky' words.
Understand the guidelines for using prefixes and suffixes.
Spell words with silent letters (e.g. psalm).
Use dictionaries to aid spelling.



Year 5 and 6 English

Spell:

homophones (e.g. descent / dissent)
8 other spelling rules listed in the National Curriculum.

Write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed.

Use Standard Written English. Know when and how to use the passive form.

Set out non-fiction correctly.

Use brackets, dashes, ellipses, semi colons, colons and commas correctly. Know the difference between formal and informal vocabulary and use them correctly.

Select appropriate grammar and vocabulary to enhance meaning. Use a wide range of devices to build cohesion across paragraphs, structure text and guide the reader.

Describe setting, character and atmosphere and use dialogue effectively. Précis longer passages. Write grammatically correct sentences consistently.