

# AIO – KS1 Reading Skills

## Summarising What We Read & Predicting What Happens Next

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### 1. Introduction (What is this about?)

When we read a story, we need to:

- Understand it
- Remember the important parts
- Think about what might happen next

This helps children become **confident readers and thinkers**.

#### Why it matters:

- Improves **reading comprehension**
- Builds **speaking and writing skills**
- Encourages **imagination and reasoning**

#### By the end, children will:

- Retell a story in **their own words**
  - Pick out the **most important parts**
  - Make **good predictions** using clues
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### 2. Blueprint (How we learn it – KS1 Steps)

#### Step-by-Step Reading Strategy:

1. **Read or listen** to the story

2. **Spot the important parts**
3. **Say the story shortly** (summary)
4. **Look for clues**
5. **Guess what might happen next**

### Core Skills:


-  Understanding
  -  Speaking in sentences
  -  Thinking ahead
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## 3. Short Sheet (KS1 Quick Memory Help)

### Summarising = “Short Story”

Ask:

- Who is in the story?
- Where does it happen?
- What is the problem?
- What happened first / next / last?

 *Keep it short – only the important bits!*

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### Predicting = “What do I think will happen?”

Use:

- Pictures
- What the characters do
- What has already happened

Say:

“I think \_\_\_\_\_ will happen because \_\_\_\_\_.”

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## 4. Glossary (Simple KS1 Words)

- **Summary** – telling the story in a short way
  - **Predict** – guessing what will happen next
  - **Clue** – something that helps us guess
  - **Character** – a person or animal in a story
  - **Beginning / Middle / End** – parts of a story
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## 5. Quick FAQs (Child-Friendly)

**Q: Do I have to remember every detail?**

👉 No! Just the important parts.

**Q: Can my prediction be wrong?**

👉 Yes! That's okay – we are practising thinking.

**Q: Can I use pictures to help?**

👉 Yes! Pictures give us clues.

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## 6. Step-by-Step Guide (Teacher / Parent Use)



### Summarising Together:

1. Read the story aloud
2. Ask: *"What was the story mostly about?"*
3. Use sentence starters:
  - "The story is about..."
  - "First..., then..., finally..."



### Predicting Together:

1. Stop before the end
  2. Ask: *"What do you think will happen next?"*
  3. Encourage:
    - "I think... because..."
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## 7. Visual Map (KS1 Friendly)



### Story Map:

**Beginning → Middle → End**



**What might happen next?**

(Use pictures, drawings, or emojis)

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## 8. Case Studies / Examples



**Example Story:**

*A bear is looking for honey.*

**Summary:**

“The bear looked for honey. He went to the tree. He found some honey.”

**Prediction:**

“I think the bear will eat the honey because he is hungry.”

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## 9. Do's and Don'ts



**Do:**

- Use your own words
- Look at pictures
- Say why you think something



**Don't:**

- Copy the whole story
  - Worry about being wrong
  - Forget to explain your thinking
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## 10. Learning Path (KS1 Progression)



**Beginner:**

- Retell with pictures
- One-sentence predictions


### **Developing:**




- 2–3 sentence summaries
- Predictions with reasons

### **Confident:**

- Oral and written summaries
  - Multiple predictions
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## 11. Quiz / Self-Check (KS1)

 True or False:

1. A summary is a long story 
  2. A prediction is a guess 
  3. Pictures can help predictions 
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## 12. Template / Worksheet

 **My Reading Page:**

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My Summary:**



“The story is about...”

**My Prediction:**

“I think \_\_\_\_\_ will happen because \_\_\_\_\_.”

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## 13. Common Misconceptions

-  “I must be right”
-  Predictions are about thinking, not guessing right

- ✗ “I must say everything”
  - ✓ Only the most important parts matter
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## 14. Teacher Tips / Pro Insights

- Use **talk partners**
  - Model thinking aloud
  - Praise **reasoning**, not just answers
  - Use sentence stems daily
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## 15. Challenge / Fun Activity

### Story Stop Game

- Stop reading before the end
  - Draw what you think will happen next
  - Share and explain your idea
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## Conclusion

Children learn best when they:

- Talk about stories
- Retell them simply
- Use clues to think ahead

These skills build **strong readers for life** 

## 16. Differentiation (Supporting All Learners)

### Support / Emerging Readers:

- Use **pictures only** to summarise
- Adult models the sentence first

- Use oral responses instead of writing
- Sentence stems:
  - “The story is about...”
  - “I think ... will happen”

### **Expected Level:**

- 2–3 sentence summaries
- Predictions with **one reason**
- Use story language (characters, setting)

### **Greater Depth:**

- Add **why** and **how** in predictions
- Compare two predictions
- Explain which is more likely and why

## 17. Assessment (KS1 Friendly Checks)

### **Teacher Observation:**

- Can the child retell the story?
- Do they choose important events?
- Can they explain their prediction?

### **Simple Success Criteria:**

- ✓ I can tell the story in my own words
- ✓ I can say what might happen next
- ✓ I can explain why I think that

### **Oral Assessment:**

- Talk partners
- Whole-class discussion
- Story retell circle

## 18. Cross-Curricular Links

### **Writing:**

- Turn summaries into **short recounts**
- Write an alternative ending

### **Art:**

- Draw the summary (3 pictures)
- Draw the predicted ending

### **Drama:**

- Freeze-frame the story
- Act out “what happens next”

### **PSHE:**

- Predict how a character might feel
  - Discuss choices and consequences
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## **BONUS: KS1 Daily Sentence Stems (Display-Ready)**

- “This story is about...”
  - “The main character is...”
  - “First... Then... Finally...”
  - “I predict that...”
  - “I think this because...”
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## **Mini Recap for Teachers & Parents**

Children are successful when they can:

- **Retell simply**
- **Focus on key events**
- **Use clues**
- **Explain their thinking**

Prediction is about **thinking**, not guessing correctly.

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