Characteristics of Learning – Reading – Year 4

Ideas for comments for reading journals, reading focus for pupils in Year 4

Word skills

- Read all the words correctly.
- Read familiar words independently.
- Can discuss words and phrases that they find interesting
- Found some words difficult.
- Tried hard to work out new words.
- Needs to practice again to reinforce the words.
- Read accurately and confidently.
- Was able to work out new words using picture clues.
- Used the first sound to work out new words.
- Self-corrected errors independently.

Comprehension

- Understood the story well.
- Good discussion about events in the story.
- Retold the story in detail.
- Could talk about the story confidently.
- Answered questions about the content.
- Re-reads to improve understanding.
- Needs lots of help to understand the main events.
- Can explain how the layout helps the reader.
- Is able to summarise what they've read concisely.
- Makes good predictions about what might happen next.

Attitude and interest

- Read eagerly.
- Enjoyed the story because
- Was not engaged in this book.
- Fantastic expression.
- Read fluently.
- Would benefit from reading again to improve fluency.
- Took punctuation into account when reading the book.
- Can compare story to others they have read.