



By year 5, you should be reading independently. Part of the fun of being an independent reader is being able to talk to other people about your book! This is why we use a reading journal and not just a diary showing how many times you have read. Each activity helps you develop a VIPERS skill too! You should be reading **at least** 6 pages every night but you only have to complete each VIPERS task **once** per week. You might want to do them all in one go so that each of the 3 VIPERS responses relate to the same part of your book. On the other hand, you might want to do just one task each time you read, so that they cover different parts of your book. It's up to you to decide. **Remember to use the exemplar to show you how to set out your VIPERS work and how much to write! Here's some clues to help you with each task...**



Summary

Include details of the pages in the book that you are summarising - Eg p23-46 or Chapter 3. Think about the **key** events that have happened and describe it, not forgetting to mention the people and places involved. A good way to approach this is to try summarising in just 5 words! Write them down. They will most likely be names and places. Then add the next 5 most important words - usually verbs. Now write your summarising sentences making sure that you include all 10 of the words. Highlight the key words when you have finished - job done!



Prediction

Predictions can be made at any point in a story, so you need to start by establishing the point in the story that have you reached. Think about what will happen next - not the end of the story but over the next few pages! What are characters likely to do? What might they experience? Make a prediction and explain why you think this, using evidence from the text - You will need a '**because!**' Don't worry if your predictions turn out to be wrong - this means that your book is 'unpredictable', which will make it exciting to read!



Word Finder

Using space wisely, keep a list of unknown words in the back of your journal as you encounter them. Try 'reading around' the word to work out its meaning before using a dictionary to find a definition. Back at the front of your journal, record the definition and word class of the words, along with a quote from your book showing how it was used - this will also help you check that your definition is the correct one!

Not finding any tricky vocabulary probably means that the book you are reading is not challenging enough!