# English

## **Example Question Sets**

Our English Question Sets tackle two elements needed to master the National Curriculum at both Key Stage 2 and 3: breadth and depth.

Skills in reading and grammar, punctuation and spelling are covered by Question Sets created by subject-specialist teachers. Question Sets in both key stages are aligned directly with the skills and subject knowledge required by the National Curriculum and its Programme of Studies.

## Key Stage 2

## **Reading Question Sets**

LbQ's reading Question Sets for Key Stage 2 move pupils through levels of thinking skills that support and scaffold the analysis of texts and the authors who create them. The Pre-Read Question Sets help students to define new and complex vocabulary, and higher-order thinking skills are required for the Language Question Sets and the Structure and Features Question Sets. These require pupils to consider the writer's thoughts and intentions. Our Reading Question Sets cover a wide breadth of topics and genres, including: non-fiction, classic literature, science-fiction, comedy, adventure, fantasy, myth and poetry. WORKING TOWARDS MASTERY

#### Defining

**Pre-Read Question Sets** What does...mean? What do you expect this text to be about?

### Recalling **Retrieval Question Sets**

How many...? Which character...? When did... take place?

#### Inferring

Why is/does/did...? Which statement best describes the ...?

#### Analysing

**Language Question Sets** What do you think the author meant by using the phrase ...? Why do you think the author uses the word ...?

**Structure and Features** What genre is this text? Which paragraph explains ...? What is the purpose of ...?

LOWER ORDER

THINKING SKILLS

**HIGHER ORDER** 

## **Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (GPS)**

GPS Mastery Question Sets encourage students to understand the nuances of grammar terminology before moving on to apply the rules. These sets push students to face common misconceptions head-on and provide explorative feedback that encourage deeper thinking and understanding.

LbQ also have practice Question Sets in Key Stage 2. LbQ recognise the need for rote-styled learning as an invaluable part of education. The Practice Question Sets link directly to the requirements of the National Curriculum, including spelling lists associated with each year group.



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## Key Stage 3

## **Reading Question Sets**

Reading Question Sets at Key Stage 3 take students through progressively more difficult thinking skills. Vocabulary Question Sets expose students to language used in the text that is new or complex; Retrieval Question Sets allow students to fully explore the text; Inference Question Sets rely on students' ability to comment on the author's choices and intentions. The breadth of texts covered by these Question Sets also prepare Key Stage 3 pupils for future examinations. Extracts from classic literature by authors such as Conan Doyle, Dickens and Shakespeare can be used to prepare for both language and literature papers. Original texts of an array of genres written by our English specialist-teacher authors are also perfect for preparing students for unseen texts.

### **Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling**

Our Revising GPS Question Sets for Key Stage 3 build on the skills and knowledge students gained at Key Stage 2. GPS Question Sets at this level are labelled and constructed by ability, to ensure each and every student in your classroom is catered for. Question Sets are differentiated by accessibility of topic, readability, amount of skills covered and level of scaffolding provided.

As well as mastery style Question Sets, Practice Question Sets can also be used to drill the skills and knowledge needed for topics like spelling.

#### Identifying

**Easy Question Sets** Below expected reading-age Some knowledge of GPS required Basic application of GPS skills

#### Understanding

Medium Question Sets At expected reading-age Clear knowledge of GPS required Competent application of GPS skills

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#### Applying

Difficult Question Sets Above expected reading-age Deep knowledge of GPS required Sophisticated application of GPS skills

LOWER ORDER

THINKING SKILLS

**HIGHER ORDER**