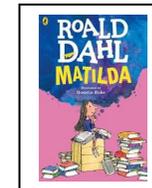


Week 4 Core Text Reading Comprehension Tasks: Year 3

Matilda



Day	Pages	Stem	Questions
Monday	Read Chapter 14 <i>The First Miracle</i>	Inferring The word * tells me... The part * suggests... This makes me think that... I think the character is.. I think the setting/mood is... because....	What would Miss Trunchbull's idea of a perfect school be? What does page 156 tell you about how Miss Trunchbull feels about finding the newt? What is Lavender's mood on page 157? Why might Matilda's behaviour on page 158 be surprising? What phrase tells you how Matilda is feeling on page 159?
Tuesday	Read Chapter 14 <i>The First Miracle</i>	Evaluating The word ____ works well... I like the way the author uses... This sentence has high impact... It is clever how the author... because....	How does the author create an atmosphere of suspense on page 159? Look at the section beginning, 'It was like flashes of lightning.' Why does this section have high impact? Why is the phrase, 'her face more like a boiled ham than ever' work well? Which words on page 163 tell the reader how Matilda is feeling after the incident? How does the mood change on page 164?
Wednesday	Read Chapter 15 <i>The Second Miracle</i>	Asking Questions Who is... Where are... How does he.... What might happen if...?	Write 5 questions of your own. Who, What, When, Where How? True or false?
Thursday	Read Chapter 16 <i>Miss Honey's Cottage</i>	Clarifying I think that means... I didn't understand... What does * mean? I need to reread this part because... * is a tricky word so I	What does the phrase 'wildly animated' mean? Why does Matilda call Miss Honey a 'wise old bird'? Use a dictionary to look up the meaning of the word <i>phenomenon</i> . How does Miss Honey explain the word <i>precocious</i> ? What does the phrase, 'Miss Honey, wishing to change the subject...' tell you about how Miss Honey feels about Matilda?
Friday	Read Chapter 16 <i>Miss Honey's Cottage</i>	Predicting. I wonder... I think... The next part will be about... ... because....	Why do you think Miss Honey has to live in the small, bare cottage? Do you think Matilda will tell anyone about Miss Honey's cottage? How will Matilda test her powers? Do you predict that Matilda will be able to control her powers further? What will Miss Honey and Matilda do next?