

# Instructions for the Reading test

The Key Stage 1 English Reading test is split into two papers.

Reading Paper 1 has the text and the questions on the same page (pages 9–21).

Reading Paper 2 has a separate Reading Booklet (a pull-out section in the centre of this book) and question paper (pages 22–26).

## Instructions for Reading Paper 1

In Reading Paper 1, you will find a story and some information to read. The text to read is at the top of each page and there are some questions for you to answer below it.

This test will take about 30 minutes but it is not a timed test.

## What to do

At the start of the test you will find a list of 'Useful words' and a 'Practice page' with some practice questions. There is another list of useful words and a further practice page on pages 17–18. Ask an adult to help you with these practice pages. The adult can read the words and text to you on these pages and help you answer the questions. Listen carefully as this will help you to read and understand some important words.

The practice questions show you the sorts of questions you will answer in the test. For most questions, you write your answer on a line or choose the right answer and put a tick in the box next to it.

You will find some different types of question to answer, such as putting numbers in boxes to order events or drawing lines to match answers.

Once you have gone through the first practice page (page 9) you are ready to begin the test. Continue reading the text and answering the questions on pages 10–16 on your own. Remember to think carefully about the answers you write and which boxes you tick.

When you get to the second practice page, on page 18, you can ask an adult to help you read it. Then continue reading the text and answering the questions on pages 19–21 on your own.

Stop at the end of page 21. The end of the test is clearly marked.

### Note for adults helping with Reading Paper 1

You should read the lists of 'Useful words' to the child and discuss the meaning of these words.

You should also read the text on the two practice pages and help the child to answer the practice questions on these pages. You should **not** help with reading anything else on the practice papers.