

Reading: A Diagnostic Pathway



Use New Group Reading Test (NGRT) termly to assess pupils' reading strengths and weaknesses.



If the pupil scores less than 85 on NGRT, use York Assessment of Reading for Comprehension (YARC) to further diagnose reading difficulties including reading accuracy, comprehension and rate.



If there is a significant difference between sentence completion and passage comprehension in NGRT, screen for dyslexic tendencies using Rapid (ages 4-15), CoPS (ages 4-7) or LASS (ages 8-15).



If further concerns remain, use a more detailed approach.

Possible Root Issue	Assessment Tool to Explore
Phonological awareness	Phonological Assessment Battery (PhAB)
Receptive language	British Picture Vocabulary Scale (BPVS)
Speech and language	WellComm Early Years or WellComm Primary
Phonological skills, alphabetical knowledge and word reading	York Assessment of Reading for Comprehension (YARC) Early Reading

All assessments to be used to inform teaching and learning choices.
If appropriate refer to specialist services to further explore identification of dyslexia.