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I= Introduction R= Reinforcement C= Competency

Students who join the school in later years may need to be INTRODUCED to many of these skills and processes while their peers receive REINFORCEMENT. Where a skill is introduced at Early Stage 1 and Stage 1, it will be at a basic level, and may be incorporated into Storytime activities.

Through planned learning activities, the student:	Early Stage 1	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
1. DEFINING (Knowledge) – Breaks down a task into understandable chunks							
Relates the task to prior knowledge	I	I	I	R	R	R/C	С
Brainstorms for group construction of prior knowledge	I	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Restates the task in his/her own words	-	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Works out key words and possible search terms for the task	-	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	R/C	С
Contributes to a mind map of the topic	I	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
Breaks the task up into parts	-	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
Develops focus questions with modelling, and later guidance	-	-	I	R	R	R/C	С
Understands & uses terminology – title, author, illustrator, spine, spine label – publisher, series, contents, index	I -	I I	I/R I/R	R/C R/C	R/C	С	С
Understands the use of main headings	-	I	I/R	R	R/C	С	С
Formulates own research question	-	-	-	-	I	R	R/C
Engages in group discussions of a story/novel leading to the development and exchange of ideas	I	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Defines his/her own ideas and develops them	I	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Works out ideas in the progression of a story	I	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	С	С

2. LOCATING (Comprehension) – Understands the organisation of resources and the process of locating them	Early Stage 1	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Recalls relevant information and skills from past experience and accepts that additional information and skills are needed	I	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Is aware of the layout and organisation of the library	I	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
Develops library skills:							
 Understands the distinction between Fiction and Non-Fiction 	I	I/R	R	С	C	С	C
 Understands location and features of Junior Picture Books 	I	I/R	R	C	C	C	C
 Understands location and features of Junior Fiction 	I	I	R	С	C	C	C
• Is aware that Picture Books are shelved in alphabetical order according to the surname of the author	I	I	R	C	C	С	C
• Is aware that Junior Fiction resources are shelved in alphabetical order according to the surname of the author	-	I	I/R	С	C	С	C C
• Is aware that NF resources are found in numerical order	_	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	C	C
 Learns borrowing procedures for school resources 	I	I/R	R	C	R/C	C	C
Locates print magazines and newspapers	-	I	R	R/C	R/C	C	C
Locates resources using spine label	I	I	R	R/C	R/C	C	C
Locates and uses reference material	-	I	I/R	R	R/C	C	C
 Uses contents and index pages of non-fiction books using key words 	-	I	I/R	R	R/C	C	C
• Is familiar with E-Library catalogue (author/title/series/subject/keyword searching)	-	I	I/R	R	R/C	C	C
Is familiar with the Dewey Decimal Classification system		I	I/R	R	R	R/C	C
	-	I	I	R	R	R/C	
Locates books that s/he will enjoy, initially with assistance from TL, moving to independent choice	I	I	R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Understands the elements of a story/fiction	I	I	R	С	С	С	С
Locates and uses the library website	-	I	I/R	R	R/C	R/C	С
Uses the Internet as an information resource	-	-	I	R	R/C	R/C	С

Identifies and uses a range of possible sources of information:							
- Human sources: interview, TV, radio							
 Primary and secondary sources; Internet 	I	I	I	R	R	R/C	C
 Non-Fiction; Reference; Periodicals; Audio-visual; Fiction 							
Uses other academic libraries and understands how to locate resources there	-	-	-	-	-	-	I/R
Develops familiarity with a number of search engines	-	-	-	-	I	R	R/C
Recognises the need for information currency	-	-	-	I	I/R	R	R/C
Develops familiarity with Boolean logic to search online databases and the internet	-	-	-	-	-	I	R
Uses Advanced Search features to locate resources effectively	-	-	-	-	-	I	R
Searches subscription databases for current and relevant information	-	-	-	-	I	I/R	R
Develops computer skills:							
• Uses terminology – monitor, keyboard, mouse, disk drive, printer, disk, CD-ROM	I	I	R	C	C	C	C
 Understands and uses keyboard – space bar, Enter/Return, caps lock 	I	I	R	C	C	C	C
 Reads and uses text and icon menus of software 	I	I	R	C	C	C	C
• Uses word-processing software – to create, edit, save, delete, move documents	-	I	R	R	R/C	C	C
 Uses SACSnet features – enrols in courses, saves documents, uses Dropbox 							
functions	-	I	I	R	R/C	R/C	C
 Minimises/maximises open documents/programs 	-	I	I/R	R	C	C	C
 Locates bookmarked Internet sites 	-	I	I/R	R	R/C	C	С
 Identifies and uses links on a web page 	-	I	I/R	R	R/C	C	C C
 Using Back/Forward navigation arrows in Browser 	-	I	I/R	R/C	C	C	C
 Copies/pastes from web page to document 	-	I	I/R	R/C	C	C	C
 Is aware of search engines as a source of information 	-	I	I	R	C	C	C
Is aware of web page structure	-	I	I/R	R	R/C	C	С
	-	I	I/R	R	R	C	C
		Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage 6
3. SELECTING (Application) – Uses multiple strategies to identify and select relevant	Early	1	2	3	4	5	
information for the purpose of the task	Stage 1						
Chooses key words to select useful information	-	I	I	R	R/C	R/C	С
Skims and scans sources for information	I	I	I	R	R/C	С	С
Selects books appropriate to interest and reading ability using browsing techniques	I	I	I	R	R	R/C	С

Interacts with resources through:							
- Following directions	I	I/R	R	R/C	R/C	С	С
 Listening, observing and viewing 	I	I	R	R/C	R/C	C	C
 Identifying a sequence of ideas 	I	I	R	C	C	C	C
 Listening to and retelling stories in correct sequence 	I	I/R	R	C	C	C	C
 Distinguishing between narrative and information texts 	I	I/R	R/C	С	С	C	C
 Developing appreciation of literature, including poetry and drama 	I	I	I/R	R	R/C	C	C
Uses pictures, objects and text to extract information	I	I	I/R	R	R/C	С	С
Develops visual literacy through modelled interpretations of visual material	I	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
Distinguishes his own ideas clearly from the author's and those of other group members	I	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Develops critical ability in selecting fiction							
• can identify quality literature	I	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	C	C
• can identify contrasting types of literature							
• can identify different reading levels							
Distinguishes between stories with more action/ more description/ autobiographical	I	I	R	R/C	R/C	С	С
content, different subject matter, interest areas, etc.							
Distinguishes between fact and fiction	I	I/R	R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Develops appreciation of poetic quality in descriptive text eg references to poetry and	I	I	R	R	R/C	С	С
where poetry, songs and rhymes help to tell the story							
Increases his/her readiness to try different books	I	I	R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Participates in group dynamics during Literature Circles							
 by appreciating and enjoying fiction individually and in groups 	-	-	I	I/R	R/C	C	C
by selecting discussion-generators from the story							
 by interacting with others through discussion of texts and ideas 							
Selects a means for recording relevant information:							
e.g. using an appropriate note-making strategy eg concept mapping, main idea, list	-	I	I/R	I/R	I/R	R	R/C
making, clustering notes under sub-headings, using a note-making template							
Selects resources by using contents pages, indexes and headings	-	-	I	I/R	I/R	R	С
Observes netiquette protocols	-	-	-	-	I/R	R	С
Annotates selected resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	I/R
Employs in-text referencing, footnotes and endnotes correctly	-	-	-	-	-	-	I/R
Understands the basic idea of intellectual property and the need to comply with copyright	I	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
conventions							

Uses a variety of primary and secondary sources	-	_	I/R	R	R/C	С	С
Selects appropriate graphics to add meaning to presentations	I	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Compares different pre-selected resources	I	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
Assesses the usefulness of each source	-	I	I	R	R	R/C	С
Makes judgments on sources based on accuracy, authority and currency	-	-	-	I	I/R	R	R/C
Identifies bias	-	-	I	I/R	I/R	R	R/C
Cites sources and records bibliographic information – author, title, date, URL	I	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	C
Identifies text types: narrative, recount, procedure, discussion, report, explanation, exposition	-	I	I	R	R	R/C	С
4. ORGANISING (Analysis) – Analyses the task and the information collected and develops an appropriate structure for organising it	Early Stage 1	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Reflects on purpose of the task	-	I	I	R	R	R/C	R/C
Organises information and ideas into a logical structure	-	-	I	R	R	R/C	R/C
Organises text/pictorial information in sequence	I	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Writes clear and appropriate responses to fiction	-	-	I	R	R	C	C
Extends the use of word processing by: - Entering text – highlight, edit - Changing text – font, size, alignment, spacing - Saving and printing document - Making notes using word-processor - Cut & Copy, Delete & Undo, bullet points	-	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
Further extends the use of word processing by: Copying, cutting and pasting text - Using tables and columns - Changing page orientation – Portrait/Landscape - Manipulating and resizing graphics	-	-	I	R	R/C	С	С
Uses databases, by opening, browsing and searching the library catalogue and online	-	I	I	R	R	R/C	R/C
encyclopedia							
Records relevant information: - by listing key words under main ideas - arranging ideas, events and facts in sequence from oral, written and pictorial sources	-	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	С	С

Uses a scaffold for organising information and notes	-	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
Uses an ethical approach when making notes electronically	-	-	-	I	I/R	R	R/C
Uses appropriate text type for presentation	-	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
Designs multimedia presentations using PowerPoint, Prezi and/or Voicethread	-	I	I/R	R	R/C	C	С
5. PRESENTING (Synthesis) – Synthesises selected information into connected ideas and an appropriate format for presentation	Early Stage 1	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Identifies patterns and relationships	I	I	I	R	R	R/C	C
Engages in reflective thinking to clarify a problem or develop an idea	I	I	I	R	R	R/C	C
Begins to predict possible outcomes	I	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	C
Recognises different forms of presentation	I	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
Takes into account the audience	I	I	I	R	R	R/C	С
Decides on appropriate presentation format	-	I	I/R	R/C	R/C	С	С
Prepares the presentation	I	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
Connects ideas logically and creatively	-	-	-	I	I/R	R	R/C
Debates an issue presenting several points of view	-	-	-	I	I/R	R	R/C
Uses subject specific terminology	-	-	I	I	I/R	R	R/C
Demonstrates complex and higher order thinking	-	-	-	I	I	R	R/C
Presents the information using appropriate organizational frameworks: - Written and word processed reports, recounts, procedures and lists - Oral reports, descriptions and comparison supported by graphic and pictorial information - Displays, models, diagrams and posters - Desktop publishing (borders, WordArt, clipart) - Drawings, illustrations, maps - Multimedia presentations, adding video and sound, eg podcasts, Windows MovieMaker - Flow charts, timelines, tables - Webpages	I	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С

Develops skills in using PowerPoint by: Opening PowerPoint Saving PowerPoint Using a blank presentation or Design template Inserting shapes, graphics and animations Manipulating and resizing graphics Using WordArt for headings Using colour in backgrounds, fonts and shapes Using slide transition and custom animation features Using textboxes and manipulating the font Saving graphics from the web to the presentation Viewing the presentation Linking slides in a PPT kiosk	_	I	I/R	R	R/C	R/C	C
6. ASSESSING (Evaluation) – Assesses self-progress through reflection, peer and teacher assessment and uses this for goal-setting and improving future learning	Early Stage 1	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Through analysis of outcomes-based criteria the student:	т	T	T/D	D	D	D/C	
Decides whether the product meets the learning outcomes	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	I/R	R	R	R/C	C
Evaluates how well s/he worked through the research or Literature Circles process	<u> </u>	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	C
Notices a growth in understanding or knowledge	1	l	I	R	R	R/C	C
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Responds to assessment by teachers and peers	I	I	I/R	R	R	R/C	С
Uses this evaluation to set further goals	I -	I	I/R I	R	R	R	С
Uses this evaluation to set further goals Uses evaluative strategies eg reflective journals		I I -	I/R I I			R R/C	C C
Uses this evaluation to set further goals		I I - -	I/R I I	R	R	R	С

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