

Year 4 Week 1 Core Text Comprehension – The Great Kapok Tree

Day	Pages	Reading Stems to think about	Questions
Monday	Front cover (no reading)	Asking Questions Who is...? Where are...? How does he... What might happen if...? When did...? Where was...? How might...?	Have a look at the front cover. What do you think the book is going to be about? Can you write 5 questions that you would like to know the answers to? Make sure you refer to what you can see on the front cover.
Tuesday	Read Pg 2-6 Page starting... Two men walked...	Inferring The word * tells me... The part * suggests... This makes me think that... I think the character is.. ...because....	1. What happened moments before the two men walked into the forest? 2. Why do you think it was quiet when the two men entered? 3. What was making it difficult for the smaller man to chop down?
Wednesday	Read Pg 7-10 Page starting... A bee buzzed...	Making Connections I know about this because... I have seen this... This reminds me of....because This character is similar to... ...because....	1. Can you think of any other stories that are set in a rainforest? What makes this setting so interesting? 2. This book focus on how chopping down trees (deforestation) destroys many habitats for animals. When else have you learnt about animals and their habitats Why are so many habitats in danger? 3. Do you know of any charities that are trying to protect rainforests or other habitats for wild life?
Thursday	Read Pg 11-14 Page starting... A toucan, a macaw...	Evaluating The word ____works well... I like the way the author uses... This sentence has high impact... It is clever how the author... ...because....	1. How does the author's use of language to affect the reader? 2. Which words create the mood of the text? Think about the animals in the text 3. Look at the illustrations. How do the illustrations help the reader understand what is happening?
Friday	Read Pg 15- 18 Page starting... A jaguar had been...	Summarising The key idea is... This part is about... The main theme is... The most important ideas are... ...because....	1. Summarise the main events so far. 2. What do you think are the main 2 things the author wanted you to know from the story so far? 3. Summarise how the mood has changed from when the two men entered the forest until now.