

## Summer 2 – Week 1 Day 1

### Clarifying

No need to print – answer in your book or on paper.

The answers are provided so please check your learning to help you improve.

If you have any questions about your learning please email:

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Remember to also do Bug Club everyday!

# Clarifying



This week, we are focussing on **clarifying** because good readers clarify to understand what they are reading.

There are 2 steps:

- 1. Stopping when you are stuck on a word / idea / section of text.( a breakdown)*
- 2. Using tools to solve the problem.*



# What is our toolkit for the reading wall?

Look at pictures

Using dictionaries

Using our Treasure Books

Stop and re-read

Ask a friend, teacher or parent

Reading in context  
(around the word)



# Our Learning Behaviours



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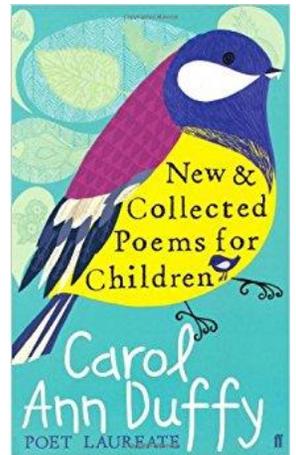
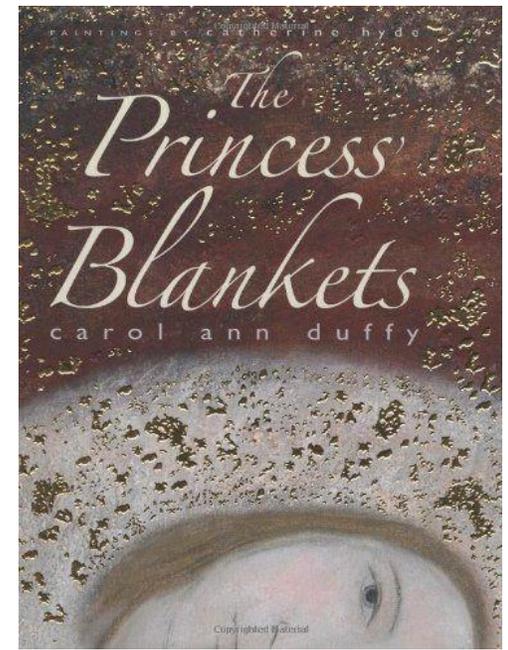
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If possible, ask someone at home to be your learning partner: Building on other's answers

## Carol Ann Duffy

One of today's most highly esteemed poets, playwrights and writers. She has won many prestigious awards and prizes. Awarded both an OBE and CBE and is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature. In 2009 she appointed Britain's poet laureate, the first woman to hold the position.



# Vocabulary



Marble floors

dressmaker

**Definition:**  
Person that makes dresses

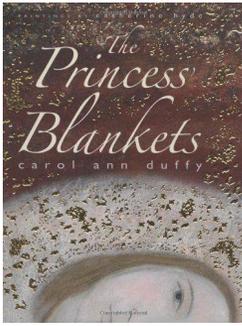
fleeceless

Without fleece

**Other vocabulary:**

**Synonyms:** funny / amusing  
**Homonyms:** felt / felt  
**Homophones:** Hear / here  
**Antonyms:** worried / carefree





Teacher's  
Think  
Aloud

The Princess' Blankets

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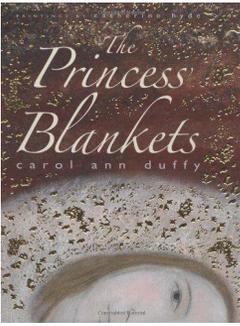
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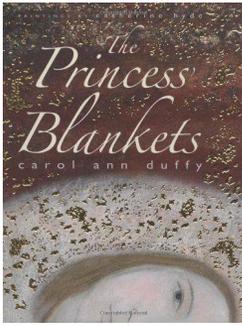
**Answer to Teacher's Think Aloud:**

I did not understand the part where it says the princess was always cold because how can someone be cold if it is sunny or if fires are making everyone else sweat.

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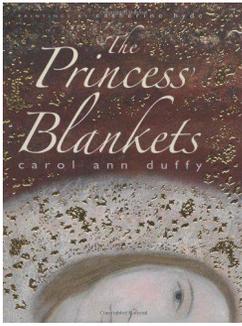
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Example Answer:

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How did we do?



I can do this!



I'm getting there.



I need help!

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