### Canonbury Home Learning

### Year 2/3 Reading

CANONBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

**<u>Text</u>**: The Day the Crayons Quit

Look at the activities and choose the one that is best for you.



Red hot is for people who want extra challenge.



Spicy is suitable for most.



Mild is good for children who need to build confidence, or have no one to help.



(Day 2)

### Reading Skill: Explain Words

Look at the next pages of the story: Yellow and Orange Crayon



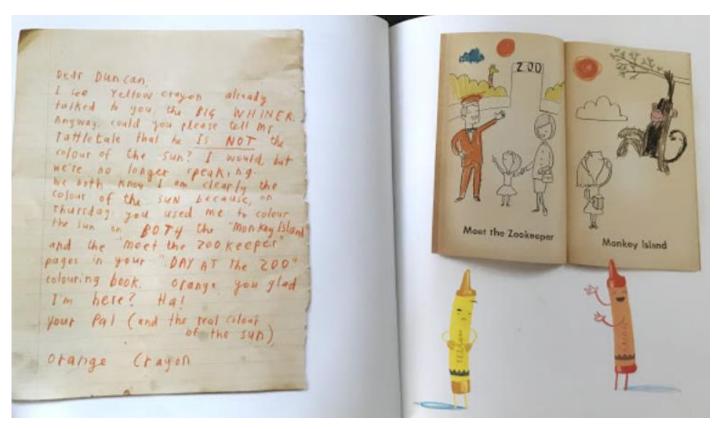
### Dear Duncan,

Yellow Crayon here. I need you to tell orange crayon that I am the colour of the sun. I would tell him but we are no longer speaking. And I can PROVE I'm the colour of the sun too! Last Tuesday, you used me to colour in the sun on your "HAPPY FARM" colouring book. In case you've forgotten, it's on page 7. You CAN'T MISS me. I'm shining down brilliantly on a field of YELLOW corn!

Your pal (and the true colour of the sun),

### **Yellow Crayon**





### Dear Duncan,

I see Yellow Crayon already talked to you, the BIG WHINER. Anyway, could you please tell Mr. Tattletale that he <u>IS NOT</u> the colour of the sun? I would, but we are no longer speaking. We both know that I am clearly the colour of the SUN because, on Thursday, you used me to colour the sun on BOTH the "monkey island" and the "Meet the Zookeeper" pages in your "DAY AT THE ZOO" colouring book. Orange you glad I'm here? Ha! Your pal (and the real colour of the sun),

## **Orange Crayon**





#### **Red Hot**

- 1. Why have the crayons used captial letters and underlined certain words? For example: Yellow Crayon wrote... "on a field of <u>YELLOW</u> CORN!" What effect does this have on the reader?
- 2. What **phrase** did Yellow write that described the way he shone on a field of corn? Do you think this was effective? Give reasons why you think what you do.
- 3. Yellow Crayon signs his letter off "Your pal". What does 'pal' mean? Write a sentence in your own words explaining what you think it means.
- 4. What does Orange mean when he calls Yellow a 'BIG WHINER'?
- 5. Orange refers to Yellow as 'Mr Tattletale'. What do you think he means by this?
- 6. Look carefully at the word '**BOTH'** in captial letters on Orange's letter when he describes what Duncan has used him for Why has he used capital letters here? What effect does it have on the reader?



### **Spicy**

### Task

- 1. Why did Yellow Crayon use captial letters and underline the word 'yellow' when we wrote "on a field of YELLOW CORN!"
- 2. Why did Orange Crayon use captial letters and underline the words 'is not' when we wrote "IS NOT the colour of then sun"
- 3. Orange calls Yellow a 'BIG WHINER'. What does this mean?
- 4. Orange calls Yellow 'Mr Tattletale'. What do you think 'tattletale' means?
- 5. Yellow Crayon signs his letter off "Your pal". What does the word 'pal' mean?



Mild

# READ.LOOK.THINK.



#### Task:

Draw lines to match the words and phrases from the book to their meanings.

BIG WHINER someone who tells on others

Tattletale a friend

pal not anymore

no longer someone who moans about lots of things

**Challenge:** Use these each of these words/phrases to write your own sentences about the book.

Example: Orange and Yellow Crayon are no longer talking because they had an argument.