## A READ - TO READING EXPERIENCE

## Non-Fiction Text – 'Penguins' (This activity should take the whole session)

- Arrange children so they are sitting quietly and looking at you.
- Give out books to all children.
- You say: "This book is called ......
- Have the children study the front cover and encourage them to answer in sentences.
- What do you think this book will be about? (Give each child a chance to respond) What do you know about Penguins?
- What will you see in this book? Child: "I will see ....." What questions do you want answered? Use Colourful Semantic cards as prompts
- What words do you think we will find in this book? Write down and talk about meanings.
- I am going to read you this book and I want you to follow. Looking with your eyes at the pictures and thinking about the information. I will tell you when to turn the page.
- Who can tell me what you will do as you listen to the story? Child: 'I will ......' (eg: Look at the pictures/think about the story/try to read some words etc.)

Read the story stopping after every one or two pages to have the children discuss what's happening and predict what might come next.

## At the end of the text ask:

- What new information do you now know? Child: 'I now know......' (Ensure all children share)
- Now, using all that we have talked about, I want you to draw and write about something new you have learnt about penguins.
- Go around to each child spending a minute to ask them questions about their drawing and extend their sentences. eg. *Tell me about your picture? Why did you choose this to draw?*

What was something new you learnt about?

## REMEMBER TO, PRAISE & ENCOURAGE ALL RESPONSES AND ATTEMPTS MADE BY THE CHILDREN

Sincere thanks for your time in helping us this morning!

