## EYFS English Knowledge Organiser - Growing Bigger - Spring 2

## **Key Texts**

#### Giraffes can't dance

By Giles Andreae

Giraffes Can't Dance is a touching tale of Gerald the giraffe, who wants nothing more than to dance. With crooked knees and thin legs, it's harder for a giraffe than you would think. Gerald is finally able to dance to his own tune when he gets some encouraging words from an unlikely friend. With light-footed rhymes and high-stepping illustrations, this tale is gentle inspiration for every child with dreams of greatness.

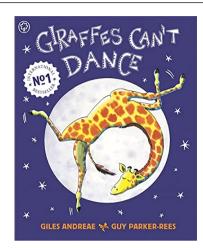
# The Very Hungry Caterpillar By Eric Carle

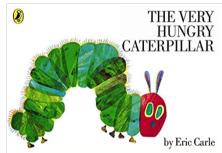
The Very Hungry Caterpillar is a perennial favourite with children and adults alike Its imaginative illustration and clever cutout detail charts the progress of a very hungry caterpillar as he eats his way through the week.

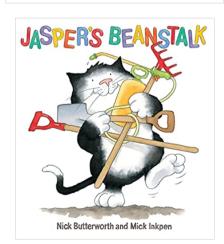
## Jasper's Beanstalk

By Nick Butterworth and Mick Inkpen

Jasper plants a bean. He waits for it to grow into a beanstalk all week. How long will he have to wait before he can start looking for giants?







## Vocabulary

plant	a living thing, often growing from the ground, that used sunlight to make its own food. They may have leaves and a stem and sometimes a flower.
seed	it is what a new plant grows from.
metamorphasis	a process which sees animals changing their physical form drastically in a series of stages.
cocoon	a cocoon is a covering or case made by some animals to protect themselves or their young as they develop into adults.
chrysalis	a chrysalis is the middle stage of a butterfly's metamorphosis, between the larvae (caterpillar) and the adult stage (butterfly).
beanstalk	the stem of a bean plant.

### Segmenting and Blending



FRED TALK helps children read unfamiliar words by pronouncing each sound in the word one at a time. Squeeze a finger in turn for each sound and then put them together to make the word.

## **Tricky Words (Spellings)**

go
baby
said
are
all

# Sticky Knowledge

Sometimes stories have **morals**. Morals are basic guidelines for living. They try to teach you about the concept of doing the right thing.

Sometimes adult animals and their babies have completely different names. For example a young cow is called a calf.



A life cycle is the different stages of life for a living thing.
Plants grow from tiny seeds.
Animals and Humans

grow in different ways.



Butterflies lay eggs which in time hatch into caterpillars. The caterpillars eat leaves and grow bigger until they are ready to form a chrysalis around themselves. Inside the chrysalis the caterpillar metamorphosis and emerges as a butterfly.