

Home Reading Questions

Predicting	Clarifying	Questioning	Making Connections	Inferring	Summarising	Evaluating
<i>Children should predict what will happen in the future based on: what they have read, what is inferred and prior knowledge. It's not a guess!</i>	<i>Children should clarify the meaning of words, phrases, and longer passages to make sure they understand exactly what they are reading.</i>	<i>Children should ask questions about what they have read to seek more information and deepen their understanding.</i>	<i>Children should use what they already know from their experience, other texts or the world to help them understand what we they have read.</i>	<i>Children should use clues from the text and their prior knowledge to work out something the author doesn't tell them. It is often based on clues about: character, setting, mood.</i>	<i>Children should identify the key information and give a brief, concise explanation. It might be about the main points of a text; a setting; character; problem; event or resolution.</i>	<i>Children should comment on what they liked / disliked & explain why. They should comment on the effectiveness of author choices (content, layout, language)</i>
<p>Before we read this book together, let's look at the front cover and try to predict what you think will happen.</p> <p>What do you imagine * will be like?</p> <p>What do you predict is going to happen next? What makes you think this?</p> <p>What do you think * will say in response to that?</p> <p>What kind of place do you think * to be?</p> <p>How do you think * will feel?</p>	<p>What does * mean?</p> <p>Step 1: Identify the root word and any prefixes or suffixes</p> <p>Step 2: Read forward and backward to understand meaning from the context</p> <p>Step 3: Substitute the word with a synonym and see if the sentence makes sense</p> <p>Has it changed your understanding?</p> <p>Do you understand what has happened / the information / this part of the text?</p>	<p>Who... What... When... Where... I wonder... Why... How... What if... How do we know...</p> <p>e.g. How did he/she do that?</p> <p>Why did he/she do that?</p> <p>Where are they going and why?</p>	<p>Does this remind you of anything you have done before?</p> <p>Does this character have any similarities with ...?</p> <p>Have you read anything that reminds you of this book? What's similar, what's different?</p> <p>Does this remind you of anything happening in the world right now, in the past or in the future?</p> <p>How are these sections linked?</p>	<p>Using the evidence in the text, what do you think * is thinking / feeling?</p> <p>What do these words/this phrase suggest is going to happen next?</p> <p>What do you think the author intended when they said...?</p> <p>Why was...feeling...? How do you know?</p> <p>Why did...happen?</p> <p>Why did ... say ...?</p> <p>Can you explain why...?</p> <p>How does ...make you feel?</p>	<p>Can you retell the story / chapter / section to me in 20 words or fewer?</p> <p>What have you read so far?</p> <p>Summarise how the chapter made you feel in 3 words.</p> <p>Describe this character's journey/personality/ experience in 12 words or less.</p> <p>What's the main theme?</p>	<p>What was your favourite part of this chapter/poem/ book and why?</p> <p>Which character do you think was the most *caring* - what makes you think this?</p> <p>Why do you think the author has used these words to...?</p> <p>Why has the author used this heading?</p> <p>What part of this text would you change and why?</p> <p>Would you like to live in this setting? Why/why not?</p>