

Reading Comprehension Strategies

The 6 strategies we use in class to build strong readers — with a fill-in activity for tonight's book.

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These are the six comprehension strategies we practice regularly in class. Using even one or two during home reading time makes a big difference in how much your child understands and remembers.

1. Predicting

Before reading, guess what might happen based on the cover, title, or pictures.

Try asking: "What do you think this book will be about?"

2. Questioning

Ask questions while reading — about characters, events, or confusing words.

Try asking: "Why do you think the character did that?"

3. Visualizing

Picture the story in your mind like a movie as you read.

Try asking: "What do you imagine this place looks like?"

4. Making Connections

Connect the story to your own life, another book, or the world.

Try asking: "Does this remind you of anything?"

5. Summarizing

Retell the main events in a few sentences, in order.

Try asking: "Can you tell me what happened in 3 sentences?"

6. Inferring

Use text clues plus what you already know to figure out unstated ideas.

Try asking: "What do you think is really going on?"

This Week's Book — Fill This In Together

Book title: _____

One prediction I made before reading:

One question I asked while reading:

My one-sentence summary:
