

READING COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

You can use these questions to discuss the book you are reading with one another.

Characters & Setting

- Who are the characters in the story?
- Who do you think the story is mostly about?
- Who is the main character in the story?
- Name a setting from the story.
- Is there only one setting or does the setting change in this story? How do you know?
- Name two settings from the story.
- Find words in the story that tell you about the setting.
- Describe the setting of the story to me using details from the story.

Main Idea

- ★ Tell me in one word what the story is mostly about.
- ★ Tell me in a sentence what the story is mostly about.
- ★ What is the main idea of the story?
- ★ Does the title of the story help you know the main idea? Explain why or why not.
- ★ Is there something that is repeated over and over in the story? What is it?

Sequence

- What happened after _____?
- What happened before _____?
- Tell me what happened in the story starting from the beginning.
- Tell me what happened first, next and last in the story.
- Was the sequence important in this story or could the events have happened in a different order and still have made sense? Explain.

Problem & Solution

- ✓ What was a problem in the story?
- ✓ What was a solution in the story?
- ✓ When you were reading, did you brain every say, “uh-oh! When? Where? Why”
- ✓ How was the problem solved in the story?
- ✓ What did the character do to solve the problem?
- ✓ Do you have other ideas for how the problem could have been solved?
- ✓ What would you have done to solve the problem?
- ✓ Did the character try to solve the problem with any ways that did not work?

Inferring with Characters & Emotions

- ❖ How was the character feeling when _____ happened? How do you know?
- ❖ Which words in the story help you infer that the character is sad/ angry/ excited/ scared/ worried/ happy and/or confused?
- ❖ How would you feel if _____ happened to you? Do you think the character felt the same way? How do you know?

Connections & Opinions

- Did this story remind you of something in your own life? Tell me about it.
- Can you make any connections to this story or these characters? Tell me about them.
- Was there something in this story that you liked or didn't like? What was it? Why did you like it or not like it?
- How did this story make you feel? Why?
- What are the main ideas of the story? How do you know?