

Questions to Ask Your Student Before, During and After Reading

Before Reading:

Question	Strategy Addressed
<i>At beginning of new book:</i> What do you think this book will be about? Why do you think that? What characters do you think might be in this story?	Predicting

What would you have done if you were the character? Has anything like this ever happened to you? Does it remind you of something? How would you have felt if that happened to you? Do you know someone like this character? How are you like/different than this character?	Connecting
If you were in the story, what would you hear, taste, smell or feel? What does the character/setting look like in your mind? Tell me what you were imagining in your mind as you read that page/paragraph.	Visualizing
	Questioning

s happened to this character so far?
 Tell me the most important things you read today in order of how they happened.

During Reading, Cont.	
Is this making sense to you? Would it help you to understand if you slowed down? Do you need to reread that part? What does this word mean? Where did you stop understanding? How can we fix it?	Monitoring Comprehension
Do you think it will be important to remember this? Why? What parts of what you read help you predict what will happen next? Are there some parts of this story that are more important than others? Which ones? Why are they most important?	Determining Importance

After Reading:

Question	Strategy Addressed
<i>At the end of a book:</i>	
If this story had a sequel, what do you think it would be about?	Predicting
What is the main message of this book? What does the author want you to think about? What was the big idea?	Inferring
What questions would you like to ask the author right now?	Questioning
Tell me the story in your own words. Retell the most important events in the story from beginning, middle and end.	Summarizing
What were the most important events in this story?	Determining Importance
<i>If continuing a book student has been reading:</i>	
Summarize what you have read today? Retell the most important events in order.	Summarizing
What do you think will happen next? Why?	