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# Strategies of GREAT Readers

## BEFORE Reading I Talk & Think About:

- \*The Title of the Book
- \*EACH Picture So I Know About the WHOLE Story
- \*What do I KNOW About the Topic
- \*Predictions About the Book

## WHILE I Am Reading:

- \*I Always Try to Make Sense of What I Am Reading
- \*I Reread When the Meaning is Not Clear
- \*I Make Pictures in my Mind as I Am Reading
- \*I Raise and Write Down Questions or New Information I Learn
- \*I Make and Write Predictions about the Characters and Events
- \*I Ask for Help When Needed for Vocabulary or a Deeper Understanding of the Characters or Information

## AFTER Reading I:

- \*Talk, Think and/or Write about the Author's Message
- \*Reflect on My Predictions
- \*Think, Draw, and Write About the Things I Have Learned
- \*Talk About the Book  
(What was my favorite part of the book? Why? Who was a memorable character in the story? When and where does the story take place? Would I change any part of the story? Why? What did I learn from reading this book?)

# KEYS TO COMPREHENSION

- \* **Use Background Knowledge:** As a good reader use your prior knowledge before, during and after reading to increase your understanding of what you are reading.
- \* **Create Mental Images:** As you are reading create a range of visual, auditory, and other sensory images as you read, and you will get very involved in what you are reading.
- \* **Use Fix Up Strategies:** Be aware of when you DON'T understand what you are reading; if you have trouble understanding specific words, phrases, or passages, use a variety of strategies including rereading, asking questions, and reading ahead.
- \* **Cross Check Using Strategies:** ALWAYS keep the meaning of the story and cross check using the structure of the English language along with visual (phonics) of what you know of how words work.
- \* **Always Ask Questions:** Generate questions before, during, and after reading to clarify meaning, make predictions, and focus your attention on what's important.
- \* **Determine the Important Ideas and Themes:** Identify key ideas or themes as you read and this will help you determine between important and unimportant information.
- \* **Make Inferences:** Use your prior knowledge on subjects to make predictions, seek answers to questions, draw conclusions and formulate interpretations that deepen your understanding of the text.
- \* **Synthesize Your Thinking:** Track your thinking as it evolves during your reading to gain the important ideas and the overall meaning!

















