

Activate Prior Knowledge - Prepare to read

Remember to think before you start to read.



Flick through the book

- What type of book is it?
- How will you read it?
- Do you need to read it all?

Ask:

- What do you know about this topic?
- Does the book remind you of anything or anyone?
- What words do you know about this topic?
- Are you ready to read?

Self-Monitor - Check Understanding

Remember to slow down when you are stuck or confused.

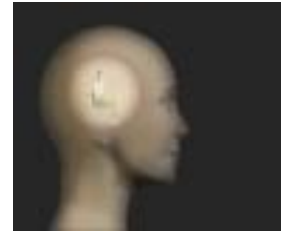


Ask:

- Can you work that hard word out?
- Do you recognize any part of the word?
- Can you say any part of the word?
- Are there any clues to help you to work this out?
- Have you read on and reread? Has this helped you?
- Do the pictures help?

Visualize - See pictures in your head

Remember to see pictures in your head as you read.



Ask:

- What can you see when you read this page?
- What does this person or place look like?
- Can you tell me what you are seeing in your imagination? Tell me more about...
- What else can you imagine seeing, hearing, touching, tasting or smelling?

Ask Questions - Think about what you are reading

Remember to ask questions before you read, as you are reading and after reading.



Ask:

- What questions do you have about what is happening?
- What questions can you ask about confusing parts?
- Are there any questions you would like to ask the writer?
- Is there anything you want to know after reading?
- Is there anything you want to look up?

Connect - Make links to your life and the world around you



Remember to think about the links you can make to your life, to books and to the world around you.

Ask:

- Does this remind you of anything that has happened to you?
- Does this remind you of any other books, films, songs or TV programmes?
- Does this make you think about something that is happening in your life?
- Does this remind you of something that is happening in the world?

Infer - Read between the lines



Remember that you are not told everything, sometimes you need to work things out.

Ask:

- What is the character feeling? How do you know?
- What do you think will happen next? How do you know?
- Is this a good or bad decision? How do you know?
- What do you need to work out?

Evaluate - Make judgments and give opinions

Remember that you can think whatever you want - don't let anyone boss you around.



Ask:

- Do you like this character? Would we invite him/her to stay?
- Does the character make the right decision when?
- Would you like to live here?
- Do you agree that?
- Is the writer correct to say?
- If you met the writer what would you say?

Summarize - Remember what you have read

Remember to store the main points - you don't have to remember everything, just the important parts.



Ask:

- Can you tell me briefly what has happened?
- Can you tell me the most important point/thing that has happened?
- Can you give me 5 words to describe what you have read?
- What is the most interesting fact that you have discovered?