

Interactive Read Aloud Parent Workshop

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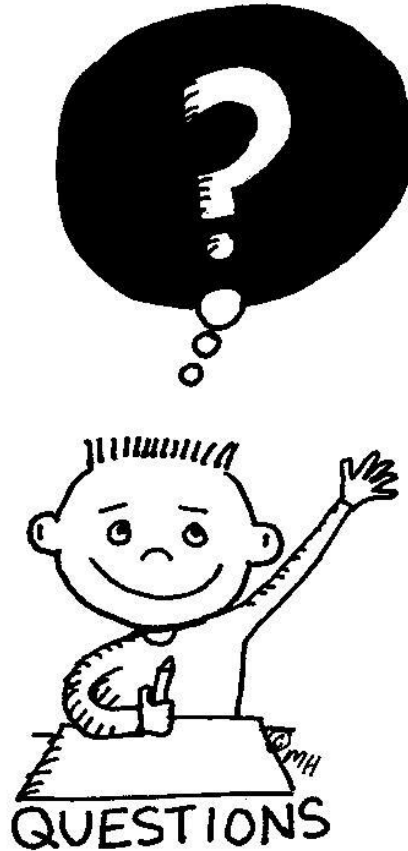
Learning Target

Today, you will learn some strategies to help readers to develop a better understanding of what they read and motivate them to extend their reading.



Reading Strategies

- Be curious
- Read with a purpose
 - For enjoyment
 - For information
- Develop a voice
- Make connections
- Ask questions
 - Who, What, When, Where, How, Why?
 - Why? Why? Why?
- Look at the pictures
 - Find clues and details
- Picture the story in your mind



The Ultimate Cheatsheet for Critical Thinking

Want to exercise critical thinking skills? Ask these questions whenever you discover or discuss new information. These are broad and versatile questions that have limitless applications!



Who	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... benefits from this? ... is this harmful to? ... makes decisions about this? ... is most directly affected? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... have you also heard discuss this? ... would be the best person to consult? ... will be the key people in this? ... deserves recognition for this?
What	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... are the strengths/weaknesses? ... is another perspective? ... is another alternative? ... would be a counter-argument? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... is the best/worst case scenario? ... is most/least important? ... can we do to make a positive change? ... is getting in the way of our action?
Where	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... would we see this in the real world? ... are there similar concepts/situations? ... is there the most need for this? ... in the world would this be a problem? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... can we get more information? ... do we go for help with this? ... will this idea take us? ... are the areas for improvement?
When	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... is this acceptable/unacceptable? ... would this benefit our society? ... would this cause a problem? ... is the best time to take action? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... will we know we've succeeded? ... has this played a part in our history? ... can we expect this to change? ... should we ask for help with this?
Why	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... is this a problem/challenge? ... is it relevant to me/others? ... is this the best/worst scenario? ... are people influenced by this? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... should people know about this? ... has it been this way for so long? ... have we allowed this to happen? ... is there a need for this today?
How	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... is this similar to _____? ... does this disrupt things? ... do we know the truth about this? ... will we approach this safely? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ... does this benefit us/others? ... does this harm us/others? ... do we see this in the future? ... can we change this for our good?

How Can Parents Help?

- Think out loud
 - Share what you are thinking
 - I wonder why the character did that...
 - What does this mean?
 - Oh, this must be a clue to what happens next...
 - This is similar to when we...
- Ask your child what he/she is thinking
 - What did the reading make you wonder?
 - What made you think that?
- Make reading fun!
 - Let reading spark your child's curiosity to read more to answer questions your child has



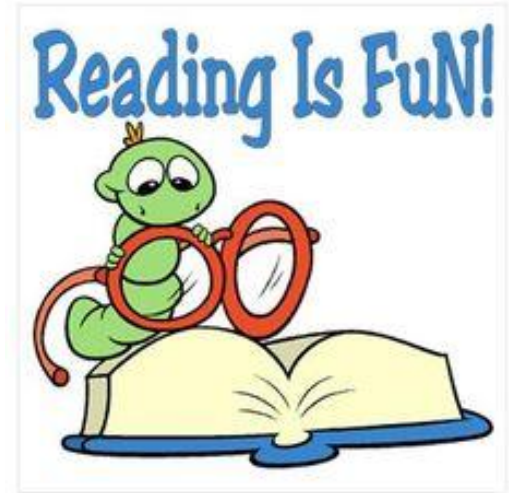
Where Can I Get Good Books?

- Public Library
- Newsela
 - Search and filter through multiple topics
 - Grade levels/lexile levels can be adjusted
 - Sample Articles
 - [Scientists fight U.S. Senate plan to allow oil drilling in wildlife refuge](#)
 - [Global warming is making it harder for polar bears to survive](#)
- Readworks
 - Search and filter through multiple topics
 - Audio is available on some articles
 - Sample Article
 - [An Elephant's Excellent Trunk](#)



What If I Can't Read?

- Pictures tell a story
 - You don't need to go by the words
 - Make up the story with the pictures
- Your child can read and help you learn to read
 - Learning together is very powerful
- Search for read alouds on Youtube
 - Ex. [Hurry, Santa!](#)
- Focus on the questions and discussion with your child
 - Parents' interest in the stories is contagious
- Make books a fun part of your child's life



Did You Meet the Learning Target?

- What did you learn today?
- What will you share with other parents?



THANK YOU!

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