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Questions to Ask Myself Before, During, and After Reading

Before I read

- What do I already know about this topic?
- What do I think will happen?

As I read

- Do I understand what I'm reading?
- Are there any words I don't understand?
- Is anything confusing?
- Can I retell in my own words what I'm reading?

After I read

- Can I summarize what I read?

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Things To Do to Help Me Understand What I Read

- Sound out an unknown word (either sound by sound or word part by word part).
- Go back and reread.
- Ask someone or look up the meaning of an unknown word.
- Read ahead and see if it makes sense.
- Ask a question and try to find the answer.
- Stop and retell what I have read so far.



Books to Share

Suggested Books to Practice Recognizing Misread Words and Correcting Errors

Listen to your child read and help your child recognize and correct misread words.

Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

Over and Under the Pond by Kate Messner

The Puppy Place (Series) by Ellen Miles

The Bravest Dog Ever: The True Story of Balto (Step-

The Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl

Into-Reading Series) by Natalie Standiford