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- Looking the title, cover, and illustrations/pictures, what do you think will happen in this book?
- What makes you think that?
- What characters do you think might be in the book?
- Do you think there will be a problem in the story?
- What do you already know about the topic of this book?

During reading:

- What has happened in the story so far?
- What do you predict will happen next? What makes you think that?
- Why do you think the character did _____?
- What would you have done if you were the character?
- When you read, what pictures do you see in your head? How did you imagine it looked?
- What are you wondering or noticing as you read?
- How do you think the story will end?

After reading:

- Were your predictions correct? If not, what actually happened?
- If there was a problem, did it get solved? How did the character try to solve the problem?
- Did any of the characters change throughout the story? Who changed, how did they change?
- Why do you think the author wrote this?
- What was your favorite part? Why?
- Can you retell the story in sequence (use sequence words: first, second, then, last)?
- Does this book remind you of another book you know? Does it remind you of something you have done?

Follow-up Suggestions:

Have your student draw their favorite part of the story, have them act out a scene from the book, create a commercial for a book, or write a postcard to the author. Anything goes as long as they are thinking about their reading!



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