



Reading questions to ask your child

Reading with your child and/or asking them questions about what they are reading can have a significant improvement on the amount of time they spend reading and the development of their reading skills.

Before reading	During reading	During and after reading
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what do you think the cover/ headline suggests? • what do you think will happen next? • what do you think you will learn/ find out? • what do you already know about? • do you remember the time we read...? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what do you think ____ means? • if neither of us know what it means, how could we find out? • what do you think the writer is suggesting here? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • why do you think that? • why has the writer chosen that word? What does it make you think/feel? • why do you think the writer presented the character/setting like this? • what is the purpose of the text? How can you tell? • why might ___ be important? • how are ___ and ___ alike/different? • what are the three most important pieces of information? • what is the most interesting thing you have learnt and why? • is the tone/topic the same at the beginning and the end? • what have you learnt? • were your predications accurate? Why/why not?