

Questions to use when reading with your child

The Book

- Why did you want to read this book?
- Do you like the cover? What do you like / dislike?
- Have you read any other books by this author?
- What do you think this book might be about?
- Is the author also the illustrator of this book?



Prior to Reading

- What is the title of this book?
- Who is the author/ illustrator of this book?
- Does the picture or the cover give us any clues as to what the story might be about?
- Read the synopsis/ blurb together- Does it sound like an exciting / scary/ adventurous/ everyday kind of story?

While Reading

- What has happened so far? What might happen next?
- What can you see in the pictures? Are they helping to tell the story?
- Which character is your favourite? How would you describe them?
- How would you feel if this happened to you?



After Reading– the plot

- What happened in the beginning?
- What happened next?
- How did the story end? Could you guess what was going to happen in the end?
- At what point in the story did we realise....?



After Reading– the characters

- What do we learn about..... in the story? Would you like them as your mum/ dad/ etc.?
- What do we know about ... at the end of the story?
- Who are the main characters? Would you like to be any of them? Why?
- How would you feel if you were... in this part of the story?
- What would you have done if you were ... ?
- Does remind you of anyone you know? Why? In what way are they similar?

