

Guiding Questions to Ask your Child After Reading

- **Ask and Answer Questions** → Beginning with Who, What, Where, When, Why, How
 - What do you think will happen next?
 - How would you feel if you were this character?
- **Identify Main Topic and Key Details**
 - What is the main idea of this article/ passage?
 - What would be another good title for the article?
 - Which details from the text support the main idea?
- **Identify Text Features** (Non-Fiction: text based on information and facts)
(table of contents, glossary, index, photograph, index, heading, bold word, caption)
 - Were there any text features that helped you better understand your reading? What were they and how did they help you?
 - What are three things you learned from reading the text?
 - What did you find interesting about this page?
- **Use Context Clues** (using clues from the story to find the meaning of unfamiliar words)
 - What clues from the story helped you understand the word _____.
- **Compare and Contrast** (2 stories)
 - How was the setting the same and different?
 - How were the characters similar and different?
 - What was the conflict (problem) in the story?
 - How were the endings similar and different?
 - Which book do you prefer and why?
- **Author's Point of View**
 - How does the character _____ show his/her point of view about _____?
 - How does the character _____ feel when _____?
- **Author's Purpose** (Persuade, Inform, Entertain)
 - Why did the author write this article?
 - What is the author's purpose in writing this article?
- **Identify and Describe Images**
 - What type of images did you find in this text? What can you learn from those images?
 - How did the illustration/ photograph help you understand the text?

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- Retell what you read in your own words.
 - What would you like to ask the author or one of the characters?
 - What would you like to learn more about?
 - What does this story/ text make you think of?