

Comprehension questions to use when reading fiction.

1. Who were the main characters?
2. What are some of the things you know about the main character?
3. Who were the secondary characters?
4. Did any of the characters change? If so, how?
5. Describe the setting (with details). Use language from the story. Can you tell where and when it happened?
6. What is the problem in the story?
7. Tell the main events that happened in the story. (in a logical and sequential order)

First: _____

Next: _____

Then: _____

Finally: _____

8. Has the problem in the story been solved? If so, how?
9. What questions did you ask yourself as you read? (questioning)
10. What do you think is the most important part of this selection?
(determining important information)
11. What did you think of while you were reading that helped you understand the story better? (using schema)
12. What did you figure out on your own using clues from the book?
(making inferences)
13. Were there any parts that confused you? What did you do to help yourself understand? (monitoring)
14. What do you predict will happen next? (predicting)
15. What do you think was the best part of the story?
16. If you wanted to suggest this story to a friend, what would you say it was mostly about?
17. What new word did you especially like and want to always remember?
18. Does this story remind you of any experiences you've had?
19. Is this a story that could be true? Why or why not?