



## Reading Comprehension Question Prompts

### Word meaning

If a child doesn't understand a word, read the sentence before and after. Try to work it out based on the context and what else you know.

What do you think they are trying to say?

Is there a **root word** in the word you are looking for (eg- heroic- root word: hero) that might help?

### Facts retrieval

Find two sentences which describe where the chapter is set.

If there was a problem, did it get solved?

Who are the main characters?

Where is it set?

How old...

Where did...

Who did...

### To summarise information

What has happened in the story so far?

Would you change any part of the story? How?

Which part of the story is your favourite / least favourite? Why?

Can you tell me what happened in that chapter in one sentence?

What do you know from that chapter that you didn't know before it?

### To make inferences from the text

Find two things the author wrote about this character that made him / her likeable?

Why does the character feel that way?

Why did they shout/ stomp/ laugh etc.?

Refer to any metaphor/ similes/ personification- what does the author mean by this? Is the tree *really* waving? Is the sun *really* a volcano? Why has the author compared them to these things?

### To make predictions based on evidence from the text

What do you think will happen next?

If there were a sequel, what might happen?

Do you think the characters are going to change throughout the story? Why?

Has your prediction changed now that you know....?

Based on a specific event:

How will this affect the characters?

What will happen next in the story based on this?

### Language choice

Do you think the author intended you to like/ dislike this character? How do you know?

Does your opinion of this character change during the story? How? Why?

What is the purpose of this book? How do you know?

Why is this page laid out in this way? Could you improve it?

Does the author like this character? Why?

Which words make the character sound nice/ nasty?

### Comparison

Who is your favourite character? Why?

Who is the character you like least? Why?

Does this book remind you of anything else you have read? How?

Have you read anything else by this author? Is anything similar?