

# READING STRATEGIES

## Before Reading

### Ask Questions

**What can I ask myself to help me understand the text?**

- What do I already know?
- I wonder if...
- What do I need to know...

## During Reading

***What can I ask myself as I read this text to help me understand?***

- Does this make sense?
- How does this information connect to what I already know?

### Understand the Text

***At a tricky part in the text, I...***

- Pause to think about it.
- Break the text into "chunks".

### Make Inferences

***How can I read between the lines?***

- I now realize...
- The evidence that supports my thinking is...

### Visualize

***To better understand while I was reading...***

- I created a mental image of...
- I used the images to help me...

### Make Connections

***How can I use what I already know to help me understand this text?***

- I already know about...
- This text reminds me of...

### Think to Read

***When I get to an unfamiliar word/section, I ...***

- Use context and clues for hints.
- Skip and return.

## After Reading

### Ask Questions

***What can I ask to better understand this text?***

- What does the writer mean by...?
- What have I learned?

### Find the Main Idea(s)

***What is Important?***

- The main message is...
- Clues, words and features that helped me understand the text were...

### Think About the Text

***How do I put all the pieces together?***

- The message of this text is...
- The purpose of this text is...