

How do I help my child become a better reader?



If they are reading a **Fiction** book ask them....

- Who are the main characters and what traits can you infer about them?
- How have the characters changed during the book?
- What questions do you have as you are reading?
- Is the story written in first or third person point of view?
- What is the author's purpose? Persuade, Inform or Entertain?
- What is the problem in the story? How do you think it will be solved?
- What do you predict will happen next?
- Could the story happen in real life?
- How are you similar to the characters? How are you different?
- What is the theme of the book? What lesson did the characters learn?
- Write a summary of the story using Somebody, Wanted, But, So, Then...
- What was your favorite part and why?
- Did you like the ending? If not, how would you change it? Write your own ending.

If they are reading a **Non-Fiction** book ask them....

- What do you think you will learn from this book?
- What do you already know about this topic?
- What questions do you have as you are reading?
- What is the main idea of the text?
- What is the author's purpose? Persuade, Inform or Entertain?
- What text features were used in this text? How did they help your understanding?
- What did you learn from this text?
- Do you have any questions after reading this?
- Were there any unknown words in this text? How did you find out their meaning?
- Where could you find more information on this topic?
- Write a summary of this text- remember to include the main idea and supporting details.

Help your child become a better **writer** by encouraging them to write about what they read!