

Encouraging Literacy Discourse through Questioning

1. Who are the main characters in the story?
2. What happened in the story?
3. What part of the story best describes the setting?
4. What is another story that discusses this same issue?
5. Can you think of a different way the character could address the situation?
6. What do you think this phrase means?
7. Is this making sense to you?
8. What parts of the text help you predict what will happen next?
9. What do you think was on the author's mind when they wrote this?
10. What evidence can you find to support your view?
11. What are the most important events in the story?
12. If the author wrote a sequel, what do you think it would be about?
13. Why does the author use italicized text here?
14. Why does the author use quotation marks here?
15. How would you improve the way the author writes this text?
16. What questions would you like to ask the author?
17. Can you summarize this text in three to four sentences?
18. How was the text different than what you thought it would be?
19. What sentences helped you visualize the text?
20. Is there anything you're wondering about right now?
21. What questions come to mind as you read this story?
22. How would you have felt if it happened to you?
23. Is there a part of the story that connects to something else you have learned?
24. How do the text features help you understand the text?