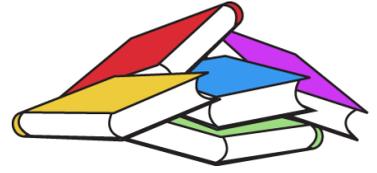# Reading with your Child

When reading with your child, it would be useful to ask them some questions about text. Below are some examples of questions to get your child to think more deeply about the text. When writing comments, you could focus on one or two questions and vary the different types each day.

Knowledge
1. Name an important part of the story and tell me why you think it is important.
2. Name a significant problem in the story and say how it was resolved.
3. Give me 3 true statements and three untrue statements about the book.

Comprehension.
1. In your own words, talk for 2 to 3 minutes about the plot of the story.
2. List 5 things you knew before you started to read the book.
3. How did the setting make the story more interesting?

Analysis
1. Give me one word that describes the character very well and two reasons why you chose that word.
2. List some similarities between this book and the last book you have read.
3. Why did the author choose to end the story that way? Can you give two or three reasons why you think that?

Empathetic Response
1. Can you talk for exactly 2 minutes about how the story made you feel?
2. What lessons might we learn from this story?
3. Which character in the book did you connect with and why?

Prediction
1. What dilemmas might the character face throughout the story?
2. What range of locations do you think the author will use throughout the story?
3. How do you think the story will start?

Application.
1. If you were to recommend this book to someone, what would you say?
2. What have you learned from this story and what does it make you want to do?
3. How does the story relate to your life?

Speculative Thinking
1. What more could the writer do to grab your attention as a reader?
2. Name your favourite part of the story. What could've made it even better?
3. If you could change one thing about this story, what would it be and why?

Evaluation
1. What was the most interesting section of the book and why?
2. Can you improve the book's title?
3. Who is the most important character and why do you think that?

Elaboration
1. What could've happened before the beginning of this story?
2. If you were to write a sequel to this story, what would the plot be?
3. What could you remove from the story without affecting the plot?